



# Heather Herald

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations – you have made it to half term. Thank you all so much for all of you supporting your children whilst learning at home and a massive thank you to all staff for all of their hard work supporting learning at both home and in school.

My understanding is that the next government announcement regarding schools will be on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February, but it wouldn't surprise me if we hear something over half term. What we definitely do know is, that we are continuing as we are until 8<sup>th</sup> March, therefore our remote learning, with a few tweaks will continue until then.

For those families whose children are in school, if you or your child shows symptoms of Covid 19 over the weekend and/or you receive a positive test result by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February please let school know via WEDUC as soon as possible so the necessary contact tracing can be put in place.

In the meantime, have a restful and enjoyable and TEAMS free half term, enjoy pyjama days and what outdoor spaces you can.

Take care,

Maxine Michalowski

## Staffing update

Today we say farewell to Mrs Clarkson as she begins her maternity leave. Although we haven't seen Mrs Clarkson in person since the beginning of term, we have been seeing her virtually whilst she has been leading and delivering all of the remote learning to all the children in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 who are learning from home, she seems to be blooming nicely. Mrs Clarkson, you have done a great job and I know all families are grateful for your hard work. We wish you all the very best as you and Mr Clarkson start a new and exciting chapter in your lives. We look forward to hearing about the new baby Clarkson whenever it decides to pop its way out!!

Mrs Smith will be returning from her maternity leave after half term and will take over the reigns of Mrs Clarkson with the home-learning for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2

## Do 100 things for Zara - #100ZBHPSFamily

Thank you to those of who have commented about this fundraising venture in memory of Zara. We have set ourselves an ambitious target of £1000 and in just a week we have already raised £210.24 on the [Virginmedia](#) fundraising page. We set up this page as a COVID friendly way of gaining sponsorship/donations which we are sure you are all grateful of. Please share the page via social media if you wish using the hashtag - #100ZBHPSFamily.

Staff are also getting on board:

- After half term , Mrs Michalowski will be starting her cycle 100 miles to Heather - as long as it isn't ..... too snowy, frosty, cold or dark! 🚲
- Mrs Riley-Lowndes is walking 100 miles from Heather to Ibstock - I always knew Pisca lane was long!!! 🚶
- Mrs Goode and her son are selling 100 eggs from their hens and donating the profits. Devon is selling them from his market stall and has raised £31 so far. 🐔
- Mrs Winterton is running 100km - and has 9km under her belt. 🏃
- Mrs Clarkson is going to be walking 100km with her baby when they are settled into a routine.
- Mrs Smith and family, including Paddy the dog, will be walking 100km - they tackled Bardon Hill last weekend already have 6 miles marked off.
- Miss Ralston and her family and Mrs Thompson and her family are also walking 100 but miles this time!
- Miss Barton is doing 100 workouts. 🏋️
- Miss Chappell is crocheting 100 hearts - they are beautiful ❤️
- Mrs Tatham will be baking and selling 100 cupcakes 😊
- Mr Johnson will be walking 100,00 steps 🚶



We loved hearing in assembly some of your suggestions - picking up 100 pieces of litter is a great idea. Please share your photos of what you are up to on the school Facebook or twitter page.

### Key Dates

School closes for half term Friday 12th February 2021

Half term Break

Monday 15th to Friday 19th February 2021

School opens to pupils Monday 22nd February 2021

School closes Friday 26th March 2021

Easter Break

Monday 29th March to Friday 9th April 2021

Summer Term 2021

School opens Monday 12th April 2021

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2021

~~KS 1 Sats take place throughout May\*~~ Cancelled

~~KS 2 Sats Monday 10<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May\*~~ Cancelled

Year 3/4 Residential at Beaumanor Wednesday 19-Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May (provisional)

School closes for half term Friday 28th May 2021

Half term Break

Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2021

~~Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June Year 1 Phonics Screen - take place this week - Cancelled-\*~~