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# Heather Herald

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## Dear Parents/Carers of

Children in Year 1-5 had a great time working with Rev Patty and her band of merry helpers last Friday for our Knight in a Day Session - the biscuit baking seemed to be the most popular session! Year 5/6 really enjoyed their trip to Grace Road immersing themselves in cricket. And finally, the Year 6 and some of their families had a fabulous evening coming together to celebrate the children's happy time at Heather - enjoying some fun activities on the field followed by pizza and a whole lot of cake. Thank you to Mrs Moreland and Mrs Freakley for their hard work organising such a lovely evening and to Mrs Ludlam for sourcing the Heather Primary School Cup Cakes.

The Year 6 Children all received their SATs results this week. As we reminded the children on Tuesday, these test results are just a tiny part of what they have learnt in school and provide only a snapshot of who they are. Regardless of their 'score', they have all worked tremendously hard and they should be proud of what they have achieved throughout their time at Heather.

On Friday, we will be saying a final goodbye to the families of Tilly, Isla, Hayden, Eve, Lucy, Molly, Libby, Eline and Molly. We also say goodbye to Ruben, Braden, Haydan, Christopher, Millie, Joel, Alfie, and Lewis - we look forward to hearing about how you get on at your new school through your younger siblings and family links to the school. We also say farewell to Heath whose family are relocating to Devon and to Charlie and Sophia who are both starting at new schools. We wish you all the very best on your exciting new journey - please pop back sometime and let us know how you are getting on. Lastly, we will also be saying goodbye to Mrs Lewis who is starting a new challenge at another school in Leicestershire and au revoir, not goodbye, to Mrs Thompson, who will hopefully be back to cover classes if staff are away from school. Miss Bakewell is also in for an eventful summer holiday as she is marrying her partner Craig. We all wish Mrs and Mrs Smith the very best for their wedding day and a wonderful life together. We look forward to hearing all about it when we return to school after the holidays.

Thank you to all of you who have returned the parent questionnaires and report reply slips.

Have a restful and enjoyable summer and thank you all for your support in yet another busy year at Heather.

Happy holidays and I look forward to seeing you all bright and early on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August.

Best wishes

Maxine Michalowski

## Classes

The staff voted for our classes next year to be named after Significant People. The children have chosen: Reception - Donaldson's (Julia), Year 1/2 Rowling's (JK), Year 3/4 Churchills (Winston) and Year 5/6 (Obamas).

### School Uniform Reminder

As some of you may well be updating your uniform over the summer our uniform is as follows:

- Grey/black trousers/skirt or pinafore dress
- Royal blue/white polo shirts – ones with the school logo on are currently available from the school office
- Royal blue sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece – again available from the school office
- In the summer, grey/black school shorts (not denim or sports-wear) or blue gingham dress/skorts may be worn
- Plain, white/black/grey socks or tights
- Black sensible shoes – no open toes, no heel more than 3 cm

PE Kit - All children must have their own PE kit in school. The children will have two taught PE sessions a week. There are a handful of children who regularly do not have a kit in school.

Your child will need:

- A pair of black shorts – blue/grey/black jogging bottoms in winter – not leggings
- A black school PE T-shirt, these will be provided free of charge to all children in current years 1-5. These will be given to the children on the first day of the new term.
- A fleece/hoody – school hoodies are available from the office
- Plimsolls/trainers for EYFS/KS1
- Trainers (sports trainers not fashion ones) for KS2 – only send your child into school with trainers with laces if they can actually tie them themselves
- Swimming Year 4-6 only – a full swimming costume for girls, trunks, swimming cap and a towel

Please note that football/rugby kits of famous and not so famous teams are not part of our school PE uniform.

Don't forget to name all bits of uniform as it helps us easily return lost clothing back to their rightful owners.

Nail varnish is not suitable for school and is best kept for weekends and holidays. If your child is sent into school wearing nail varnish, they will be asked to remove it.

### Scarecrow Festival

Please don't forget that the PTA are hosting the refreshments on the Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July. Please pop-in to the village Hall and join us for a drink if you are wandering around Heather that day looking at the scarecrows. If you are able to bake some cakes, please pop them down in the morning. Thank you to those of you who have said you can help out on the day.

### School Dinners

As from August 27<sup>th</sup> school dinners will cost **£2.25**. Please note that the children who are currently in year 2 will no longer be entitled to universal Free School meals as they move into year 3. Please can you help us out by ensuring all monies are brought into school are in a clearly labelled envelope which your child will need to place in the blue wallet in their classroom. Thank you to all of those families who are prompt with the payment for their child's school dinner.

### MASH

Congratulations to Sophia for producing the winning entry for the name for our Before and After School club. From the Autumn term it will be known as MASH (Morning and After School at Heather). Thank you, Sophia, for coming up with such a great name!

### Summer Book Bingo

As an initiative to raise the profile of reading for pleasure across the school, please find attached a copy of our Summer Book Bingo. Lots of children are very excited about the challenge. Please return your completed sheets at the beginning of term and all entries will be put in a draw to win a prize. If you are a Twitter fan, you could update us of your child's achievements by tagging @HeatherPrimary on your Twitter feeds.

## Dates for the Diary

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July

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Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August

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Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August

Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Sept-Weds 4<sup>th</sup> September

Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Sept - Fri 27<sup>th</sup> September

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May

Month of May

Monday 11<sup>th</sup>- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June

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Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July

Final celebration assembly 9:00am start

School Closes for the summer

INSET DAY

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School open for children

Possible Rider's Basketball club for Year 5/6 children 15:30-16:30pm - (details to follow)

Marle Hall Residential - Year 5/6

Kingswood Residential - Year 3/4

Billy Bob Buttons -author in school (details to follow)

Children break up for half term

INSET DAY - STAFF ONLY

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct - Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Oct HALF TERM

School open back from half term

Individual School Photographs

INSET DAY - STAFF ONLY

Break up for Christmas

Christmas Holidays Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

INSET DAY - STAFF ONLY

School open for children

Children break up for half term

Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Feb - Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Feb HALF TERM

School open - back from half term

School Breaks up for Easter

Easter Holidays Mon 6<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April

School open for children

Spring Bank Holiday (change of date to coincide with VE Day celebrations)

Key Stage 1 Assessments take place across this month

Key Stage 2 SATS week

Year 1 Phonic Screen Week

Year 4 Multiplication Check over the following 3 weeks

Break up for Half term

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> May - Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May HALF TERM

School open - back from half term

School Closes for the Summer Holidays