



Newsletter | 12th January 2024

Welcome back to the Spring Term 2024, we hope you have all enjoyed a relaxing break and are ready for the new school term!

The teachers have been working incredibly hard and planned some really exciting topics. Children in Reception will be learning all about Dinosaurs whilst children in Years 1 and 2 will be learning about Africa.

Topic webs detailing some of the fun activities for learning will be sent out today, please do take a look and let your class teacher know if you are able to support the class topics in any way with interesting facts or resources!

In addition we have another international week based on Poland to come this term along with various sporting events planned for the term.

Please take time to read our regular newsletter as we use this to try to keep you abreast of all the different items taking place in school. Information is also available on our school website; please visit www.heatheravenue.co.uk, our Facebook page [Heather Avenue Infant School](https://www.facebook.com/HeatherAvenueInfantSchool) or follow us on twitter [@HeatherAvenue](https://twitter.com/HeatherAvenue).

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Dates for the Diary

Friday 16th February: Last day of Spring 1

Monday 19th February – Friday 23rd February: Spring half term

Monday 26th February: First day of Spring 2

Wednesday 27th March: Last day of Spring 2

Thursday 28th March: INSET day 4 (Staff in school only)

Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April: Easter holidays

Monday 15th April: First day of Summer 1

Friday 24th May: Last day of Summer 1

Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May: Half term

Monday 3rd June: First day of Summer 2

Friday 19th July: Last day of Summer 2

Monday 22nd July: Summer holidays 2024

Uniform

Please ensure children come to school in the correct school uniform or school PE kit (on PE days) each day.

School Uniform

- Grey trousers/shorts or grey skirt/culottes of a reasonable and appropriate length
- White shirt or white polo shirt
- School green sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo on
- Green and white school dresses can be worn in Summer
- Formal, flat, sensible, safe black school shoes

PE kit

- white t-shirt which can contain the school logo
- black shorts or skort
- black tracksuit bottoms or leggings
- plimsolls or trainers
- school sweatshirt or school cardigan.

A link to our school Uniform policy can be found below for further information

<https://www.wensumtrust.org.uk/heatheravenue/information/school-policies>

Where to get school uniform

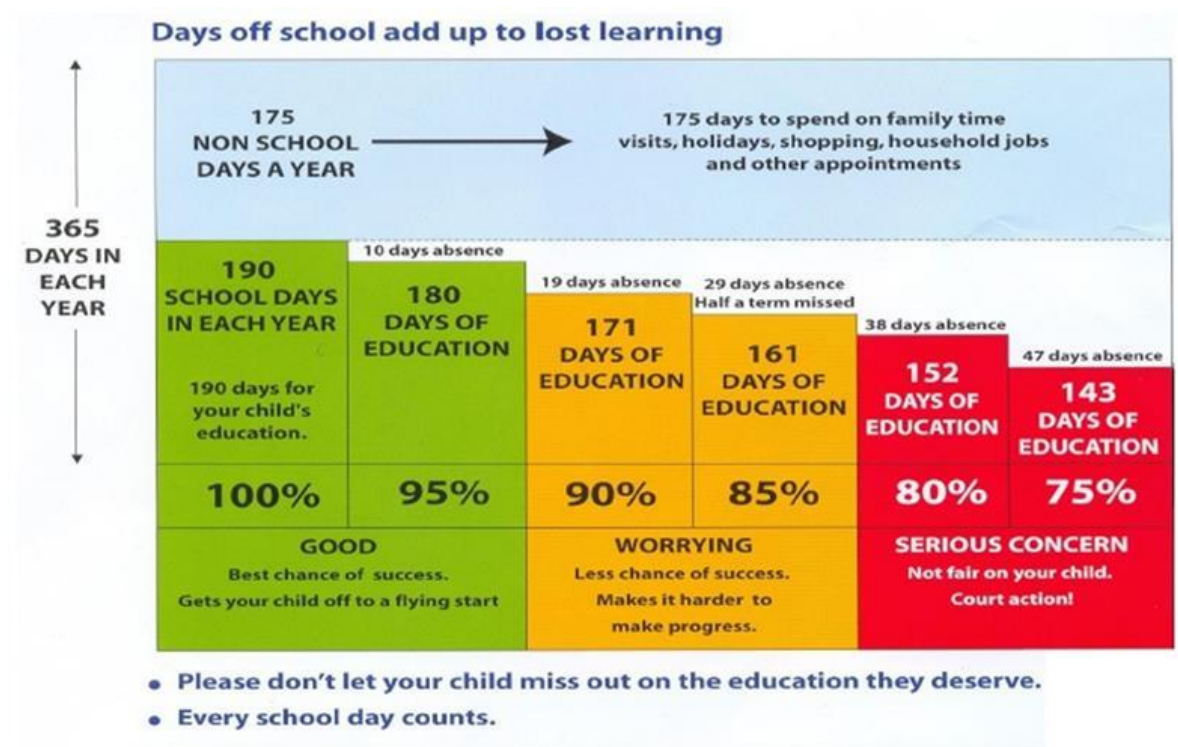
- Uniform can be purchased online at <https://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/heatheravenueinfantschoolnr66lt>
- Uniform in school colours can be bought from most high street retailers – school badges are available from the school office
- Second hand uniform shop available at school for very low cost

Attendance

We are committed to helping every child develop into a high achieving, confident, healthy and resilient person, creating a pathway to support their future aspirations, independence and contribution to society.

In order to do this we know that every day your child is in school counts. Research commissioned by the Department for Education shows missing school for even a day can mean a child is less likely to achieve good grades, which can have a damaging effect on their life chances. Our aim is to work with parents and carers to ensure that all our pupils receive the most from their education and reach their full potential.

As you may be aware, we are required by the local Authority to look at our attendance levels on a regular basis and our attendance target is 96%



If you have any concerns regarding your child's attendance, please contact the school and request an appointment with your child's Class teacher, our Parent Support Advisor or Head Teacher to discuss any issues that could be preventing your child from attending school regularly and we will do our best to support you and your child.