



## Newsletter | 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

### **It has been lovely to welcome all the children back to the Summer Term!**

Our topics for the Summer term are now well underway and we can see the children are doing incredibly well in all areas of the curriculum. You will have received a copy of the planned topics and activities for this term, during our first week back – please do not hesitate to talk to your child's class teacher if you are able to offer any expertise or resources linked to an area we are learning about - we do find that real life experiences can really enrich the curriculum experience for our children.

As the weather gets warmer, please remember to send children into school with a sun hat, sun screen applied and their water bottle ready for the day. It is also wise for the children to have access to a coat as the weather can be very changeable.

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](http://www.heatheravenue.co.uk), our Facebook page [Heather Avenue Infant School](#) or follow us on twitter [@HeatherAvenue](#).

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### Dates for the Diary

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May: May Day Bank holiday – School Closed

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May: Class photos by Tempest

W/B Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May – W/B 20<sup>th</sup> May: Reception Hearing and Vision Checks

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May: Last day of Summer 1

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May: Half term**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June: First day of Summer 2

W/B Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June: Healthy Living Week

W/B Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June: Phonics Screening Check for Year 1 pupils

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July: Year 2 Theatre Trip

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July / Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July / Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July: Children visit their new classes

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July: Last day of Summer 2

### Assessment this term

During the Summer term we have end of year assessments which take place in each year group. These happen annually and generally will not have any impact on the children's enjoyment at school.

**Reception** – Teachers will be assessing Reception children against the 'Early Learning Goals' for Reception children and parents/carers will receive this information in their end of year report.

**Year 1** – Year 1 children will complete the 'Phonics Screening Check' in the week beginning Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June. Parents/carers will receive this information as to whether this was a pass or still working towards in their end of year report.

**Year 2** – Year 2 teachers will assess the Year 2 children against end of Key Stage 1 expectations using their knowledge of the children, as well as the optional tests which will inform their assessments. Please see booklet attached to email for more details.

### Attendance Matters

As you will already know – ‘Good school attendance and punctuality is crucial and impacts hugely on learning and progress’.

Please ensure children are in school by 8.45am (our soft start enables children to be dropped off at school from 8.30am) and collected at the end of the day at 3pm. Medical and dental appointments should be made out of school hours or in the holidays wherever possible please and evidence should be provided for our registration records if this is not possible.

Please ensure you inform us if your child is unwell. The Office opens at 7am each morning. If your child has a minor cough or cold and you are in two minds whether to send them to school, please send them in and we will ring you if they feel unwell during the school day.

### **Friends of Heather Avenue (FOHA)**

Thank you to FOHA for organising a fantastic Toy Sale this term as well as a wonderful Pyjama Day and Film event!

This term sees FOHA planning for a Summer event which we plan to hold on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June, from 3pm.

### Macmillan Cancer Support Charity

Our Head Teacher and Deputy Head Teacher - Ms Coleman and Miss Lilley will be completing the Macmillan, Norfolk Coast Mighty Hike, half marathon on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024, if you would like to sponsor this worthy cause, please do so on the following link. All donations are much appreciated – Thank you!

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/ella-shemilt-1710588940169?newPage=true>