

Heelands School News

Friendship, Respect, Self-belief, Cooperation, Challenge and Responsibility

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

15th March

Red Nose Day

Dress-down Day in return for a suggested £1 donation. This can be done online:

[DONATE ONLINE HERE](#)

21st March

World Poetry Day

27th March

Parent Sessions

Monkeys Class would like to invite their parents and carers on Wednesday 27th March at 2.15pm to come and see what they have been learning this half term and make some Easter arts and crafts.

28th March

Wear a Hat Day

Children are invited to come to school wearing a Hat and non-school uniform in aid of Brain Tumour Research. This is in return for an online donation:

[DONATE ONLINE HERE](#)

28th March

End of SPRING TERM

School Closes at 3:10pm

29th March - 13th April

Easter Half-Term

School Closed

15th April

Start of TERM

School opens at 08:30am for Summer Term (1)

6th May

May Bank Holiday

School closed to Pupils

7th May

School Open

School opens at 08:30am

HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much for all the effort everyone went to for World Book Day yesterday! It was a brilliant celebration of reading in school. Mrs Mills led assembly and shared videos of staff reading a book in disguise. The children had to guess who the masked reader was. They were all unmasked – at last! Children also went to different groups to be read to by adults throughout the day. The costumes looked fantastic and you will see pictures of them later in this Newsletter.

Miss Daley and I have spent time walking around the classes this week too. We are so impressed by the teaching, learning behaviours and dedication to the whole curriculum across school. Phonics sessions were looked at specifically and they are purposeful, pacy and children are highly engaged by them. Well done all!

It is Comic Relief Day next Friday and we will be having a non-uniform day to raise money for this. Remember to read the Curriculum Newsletter for your child's year group too so that you know when you have an opportunity to come in to school and to share your child's learning in class.

Have a great weekend and best wishes,
Ian Fraser

Executive Headteacher



[International Women's Day Gallery \(internationalwomensday.com\)](http://internationalwomensday.com)



EYFS - Monkeys

We have had an exciting two weeks! Last Monday some eggs were delivered in an Incubator and we had the opportunity to watch these eggs wobble, crack (pip) and chirp until finally they hatched! The children loved coming into school each day to see if more chicks had hatched and some even talked about watching the live stream we had set up. We have had the opportunity to look after 8 chicks. Monkeys class have learnt that the female chicks are light brown and the males are lemon yellow. They will be going home on Friday, but we have loved looking after them and looking at lifecycles. In literacy we have been reading 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar', learning the story and writing simple sentences based on the book. In Maths we have been focusing on the numbers 9 and 10 and their composition. The children are trying really hard to learn their number bonds to 5 and now to 10, please keep practising this at home. The next few weeks we will be looking at life cycles of plants and learning about how to grow our own sunflowers!



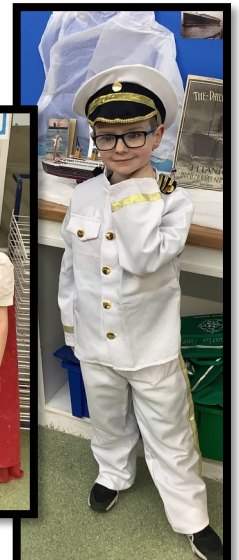
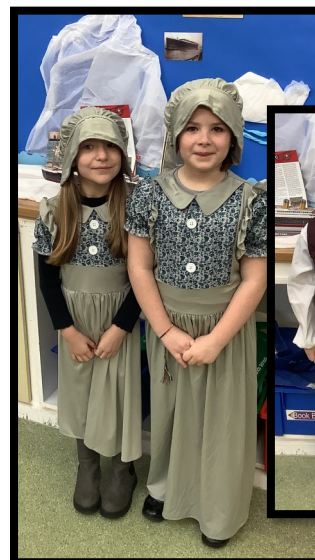
YEAR 1 - Lions

We have been learning about the Great Fire of London in Lions class. The children have been fantastic historians asking questions about the past. On our Immersion Day they enjoyed making bread like Thomas Farriner did in his Bakery on Pudding Lane – it was yummy! We were very proud of ourselves because the bread turned out really well for our first go! We also used different pastels to create fire artwork, which turned out really well.



YEAR 2 - Giraffes

We have set sail on our voyage of discovery about the Titanic. We had a great day dressing up and exploring how it felt to be a passenger. We have been learning the order of the dramatic events creating timelines and memorising our facts. We will soon be putting all this knowledge down into our writing which we will share with you next time!



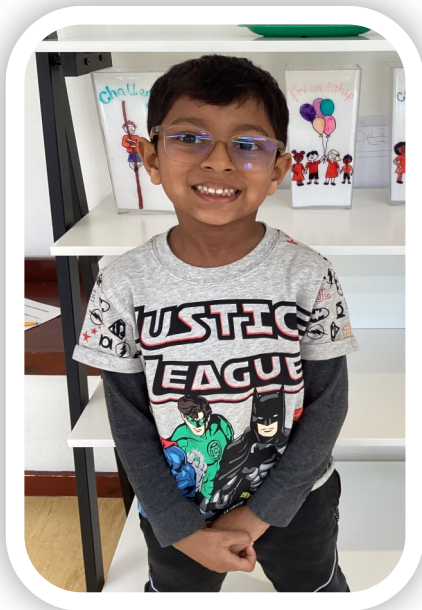
Celebrations...

Congratulations to our Sparkler Children.
These assemblies celebrate children's efforts in all areas of work and play.

SPARKLER Assembly

26.02.24

MONKEYS



LIONS

Jai

04.03.24

MONKEYS



LIONS

Aliza

GIRAFFES



Myles

GIRAFFES



Celebrations...

Congratulations to our children who have excelled in all areas of our 6 core values: **FRIENDSHIP, RESPECT, SELF-BELIEF, CO-OPERATION, CHALLENGE** and **RESPONSIBILITY**

VALUES Assembly

01.03.24

MONKEYS



Dwija

08.03.24

MONKEYS



Tyler

LIONS



Jackson

LIONS



Felicity

GIRAFFES



Faustina

GIRAFFES



Charlie M

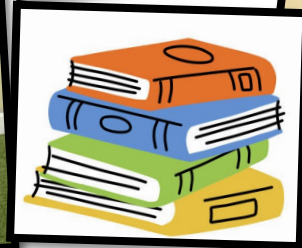
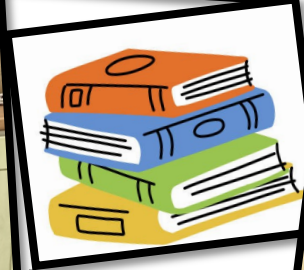
World Book Day...

WORLD BOOK DAY — Thursday 7th March

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 DAY**
 7 MARCH 2024

World Book Day was on **Thursday 7th March** and children were invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character, or in dress-down.

We held lots of fun reading activities and it was a really fun day for all the children and staff.



March Events...

FRIDAY 15th March Red Nose Day - Comic Relief

DONATE ONLINE HERE

Dress-Down Day - Children are invited to come to School on Friday 15th March in dress-down clothing in return for an **online donation** (suggested donation amount £1) We will also be holding a Comedy Show £1 to enter and a Colouring Competition, 50p to enter. Information about this has been sent via Weduc.






THURSDAY 28th March Wear A Hat Day - Brain Tumour Trust

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Wear A Hat and Dress-Down Day - Children are invited to come to School on Thursday 28th March wearing a Hat and also in dress-down clothing. This is in return for an **online donation** (suggested donation amount £1)



Safeguarding...

<p>S</p> <p>Stay Safe</p> <p>Don't give out your personal information to people / places you don't know.</p> 	<p>M</p> <p>Don't Meet Up</p> <p>Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Always check with an adult you trust.</p>	<p>A</p> <p>Accepting Files</p> <p>Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.</p> 	<p>R</p> <p>Reliable?</p> <p>Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?</p> 	<p>T</p> <p>Tell Someone</p> <p>Tell an adult if someone or something makes you feel worried or uncomfortable.</p> <p>Follow these SMART tips to keep yourself safe online!</p>
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Local Support...

Dreamsai are a local charity that support many of our local community with food parcels. We would like to support them as much as possible in these difficult times and so have put a box just inside Reception where any donations would be gratefully received. Thank you.

COLLECTION BOX in SUPPORT of



DREAMSAI **Milton Keynes**

COLLECTING DONATIONS of:

Any Tins/Cans, Long life foods, Pasta, Rice, Jar Sauces, Cereals, Jams etc



Dreamsai support our local community
and we would like to support them
in any small way possible.

Thank you so much for your support