

Heelands School News

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

25th March

Parent Sessions

Lions Class would like to invite their parents and carers on Monday 25th March at 2.30pm to come and see what they have been learning this half term.

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

After School Clubs - W/C 25th March

Last week of after school clubs

HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Yesterday was World Poetry Day. To celebrate, we held a poetry recital with children reciting poems they had learned this term. This was a super event and the children really impressed me with how well they had remembered the poems and also how enthusiastically they recited them. A big well done to every child who learned a poem and a particularly big cheer for Adriano in Giraffes Class who recited all of I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud by William Wordsworth.

When we come back after the holidays, this marks a year since I joined Heelands with Mr Fraser. We have all been on a big journey and it is clear to see the progress we have made as a school community. Writing is now a real strength as is Reading. Behaviour and attitudes to learning are exceptional and every child has made good progress from where they were in September.

A big thank you to you, your children and all the staff who work so hard together to make Heelands the incredibly special place that it is.

Have a fantastic Easter break when it arrives.

Best wishes,

Becky Daley

Associate Head

Congratulations Congratulations to Miss Burt who is getting married in the Easter holidays. She will come back to school as Mrs Lui. We all hope she has a wonderful day.

I WANDERED LONELY AS A CLOUD

I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host, of golden daffodils;
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

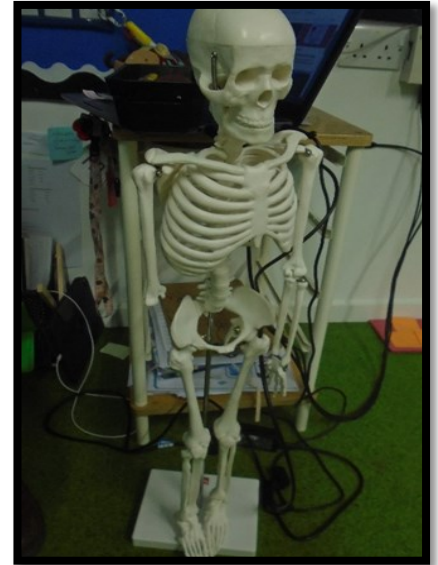
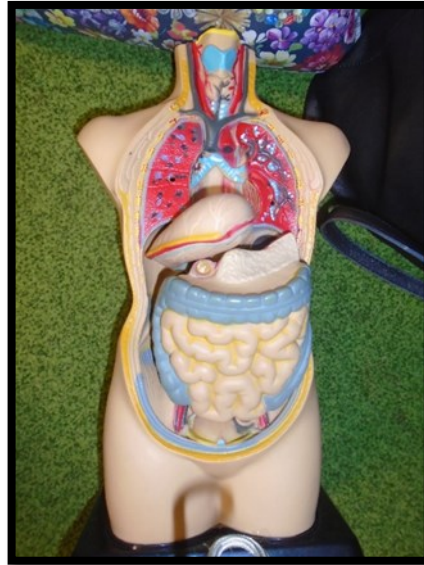


EYFS - Monkeys

The children have loved Science Day this week! On Thursday we explored our bodies by looking at organs, skeletons and our senses.

We first explored our bodies and the job organs have. We completed an experiment using bread and vinegar. This shows what happens to the food in our stomach. We thought it was disgusting!

We then explored our senses by taste testing food and smelling different smells. Some we liked but others we didn't! We tried lemon, jellybeans and salty popcorn.

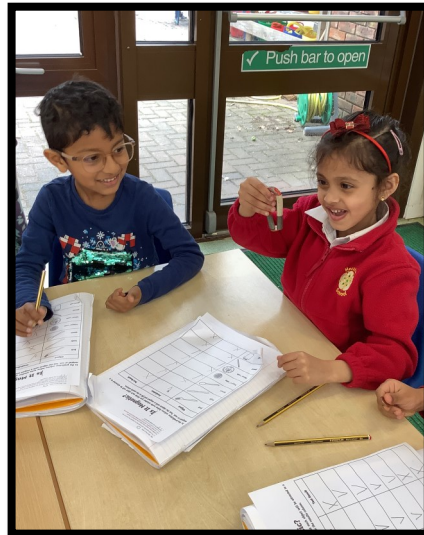


YEAR 1 - Lions

This week in Lions we have been busy in our English lessons rewriting a diary about the Fire of London in the style of Samuel Pepys.

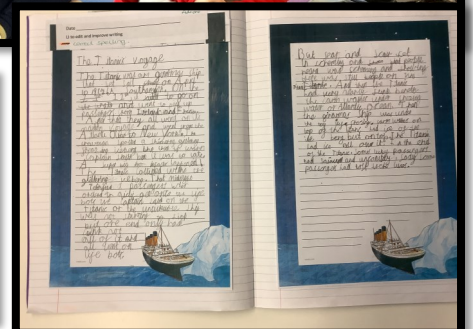
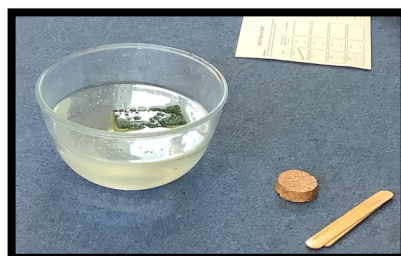
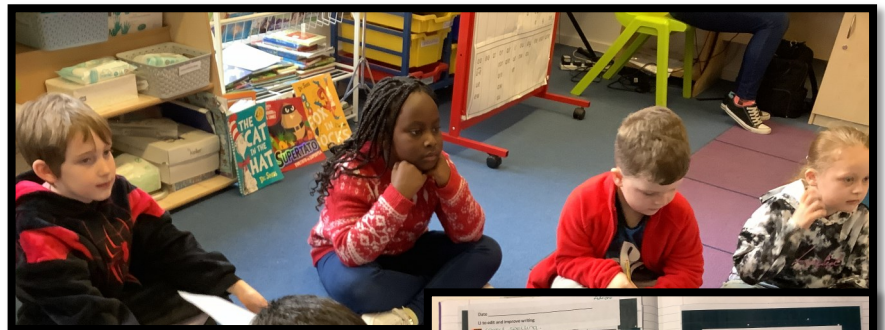
In Maths we have been learning to represent numbers to 50 using tens and ones and estimating on a number line to 50.

The children loved our Science experiments this week about materials, deciding which material would be best for Ted to use for his umbrella! We had great fun using magnets to predict and find out which materials are magnetic and some of the results surprised us!



YEAR 2 - Giraffes

Our adventures have continued as we have delved further into the story of The Titanic. Our writing has been amazing as we have used a recount to show off all our knowledge of dates, key events and historical facts. In our History lessons we have been comparing the similarity and differences in the experiences the passenger had on the "Unsinkable" ship and considering how this story affects our modern day lives. In Science we have been investigating properties of materials and linking this to our DT lessons to design and make a boat that will float. In our final week we will be celebrating all that we have learnt about our topic by creating a sculpture to remember the events of Titanic. We have also enjoyed, red nose day, national poetry day and science week! A very busy bunch of Giraffes!



Celebrations...

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

SPARKLER

Assembly

11.03.24

MONKEYS



Felicia

18.03.24

MONKEYS



Yousef

LIONS



Lacey

LIONS



Iylah

GIRAFFES



Julia

GIRAFFES



Charlie B

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

15.03.24

MONKEYS



Teddy

22.03.24

MONKEYS



Freddie

LIONS



LIONS



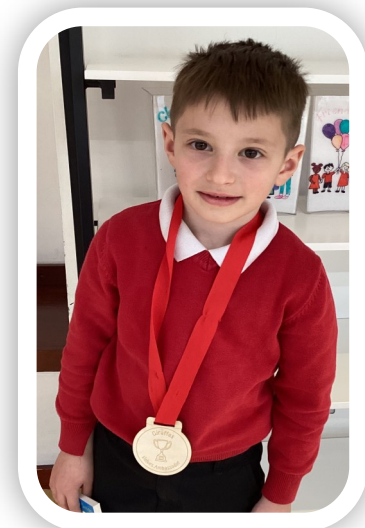
Rishab

GIRAFFES



Harry

GIRAFFES



Adriano

Red Nose Day...

On Friday 15th March, children came to school in dress-down for our Red Nose Day raising funds for Comic Relief. We managed to raise a fantastic **£320** with Federation Donations. The children all looked fabulous and it was a really fun day.



World Poetry Day...

On Thursday 21st March we held a special assembly in honour of World Poetry Day. Children chose their own poems and the finalists got to perform their poem in front of the whole school. We were so impressed with the poetry recitals, some four verses long and of by heart. The finalists were all awarded with a chocolate egg and lots of fun and a real joy for poetry was had. Well done everybody.



Wear A Hat & Dress-Down Day...

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

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)

DONATE ONLINE HERE



We are selling
**Wear A Hat
Pin Badges**

Suggested amount
£2.00

On sale until
28th March



Safeguarding...



Keeping children safe online

A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online

Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.

They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

Skips Educational Email: info@skipsed.com Tel: +44 121 227 1941

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Easter Half Term Activities...



National Trust

STOWE:

[Lost Treasures of Stowe! Easter trail - Destination Milton Keynes](#)



**MKPA FREE EASTER EVENTS AT
WOLVERTON RECREATION GROUND:**

[MKPA Wolverton Road Rec - EASTER](#)



MK GALLERY CINEMA:

[Kung Fu Panda 4 \(PG\) - MK Gallery](#)



BLETCHLEY PARK:

[Cracking Easter family fun at Bletchley Park - Destination Milton Keynes](#)



FAMILY FIRST SATURDAY:

[Milton Keynes Arts Centre](#)



PARKS TRUST:

[Free Easter Egg trail in Milton Keynes | Willen Lake \(theparkstrust.com\)](#)