



Heelands School News

The Best you Can Be - Every one, Every Day

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- 09th October** **NHS Flu Vaccination**
You need to give online consent or opt-out online for your child.
- 21st October** **Photographs**
Individual and In-School Sibling School Photographs
- 22nd October** **Parents Evening**
3:30pm—7:30pm
- 23rd October** **Parents Evening**
3:30pm—5:30pm
- 25th October** **END of Half-Term**
*School CLOSSES at 3:10pm for the October Half-Term Break:
(Mon 28th Oct — Fri 1st Nov)*
- 04th November** **INSET Day**
School CLOSED to Pupils
- 05th November** **School OPEN**
*Welcome Back!
Autumn Term (2) 2024
School opens at 8:30am*
- 20th December** **END of Term**
School closes at 3:10pm for the Christmas Break

NEW CLASS NAMES

Monkeys Class is now **ASH** Class

Lions Class is now **MAPLE** Class

Giraffes Class is now **OAK** Class



HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a week we have had! Monday began well with a visit from our School Improvement Partner. Mrs France works in schools across Milton Keynes and we invited her in to look at our youngest children in Ash Class. She was very impressed with how well the children have settled in, the friendships they have made and how well they have begun their learning. She commented on the engaging activities throughout the learning spaces and enjoyed talking to some of the children.

Unfortunately, this brilliant start to the week ended abruptly as the heavy rain began pouring through our hall ceiling. Thank you to all the parents who collected their children calmly and promptly. Sadly, the damage to the hall is extensive both in terms of the ceiling and the floor. Heelands staff made packs of learning which most parents collected from Summerfield. It has been nice to see a few little faces as packs have been collected. The overwhelming positive of this devastating situation, is the community spirit and teamwork shown by parents, teachers and staff.

We thank everyone and will ensure that we update you regularly as we move towards a new normal at Heelands.

Thank you again for your words of support

Becky Daley
Associate Head



EYFS - Ash

We have settled into school life fantastically!

The children have picked up the school routines and learning really well and we are all very proud of them and the progress they have made so far. We have been working on our sound knowledge, handwriting and maths skills.

The children attended their first assembly last week and they were praised for how well they sat and listened. We are also so pleased with how well the children coped on Monday and how sensible and calm they were. We hope to see the children soon but are here to help with any home learning that is needed.

All About Me

Name: _____ Date: _____

I am good at...
I need help with...
My special people and pets...
How I feel about starting my new class...

Completed by: _____

Settling In

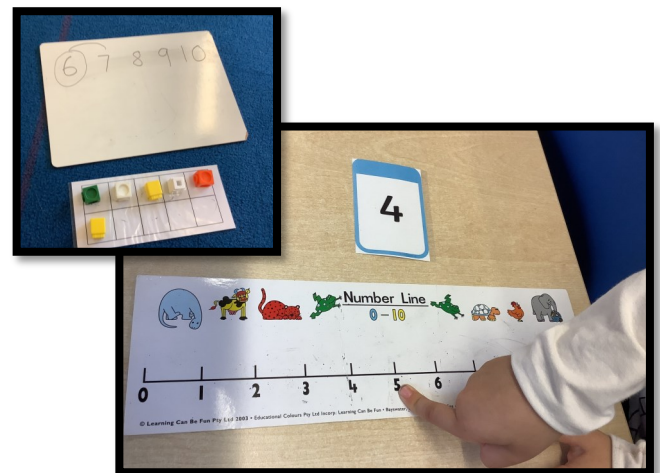
Name: _____ Date: _____

Where did I play?
What did I need help with?
Who have I bonded with?
My key group is...
Other comments/child's voice:
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Completed by: _____

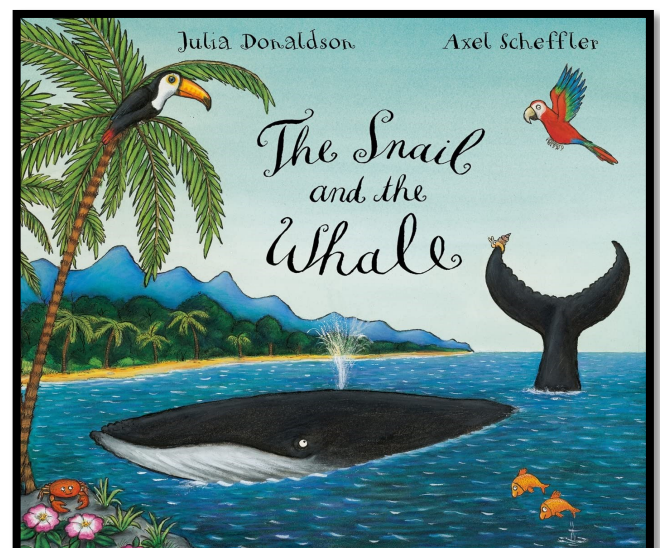
YEAR 1 - Maple

Last week in Maples class the children were very busy learning about the differences between the UK and Antarctica, they looked at clothes that they would wear in hot and cold weather in Geography. In our English lessons we have been learning about Lost and Found, the children have had great fun re-enacting the story and hot seating as the different characters – we had some fantastic questions asked. In Maths we have started to learn to recognise numbers as words, and find one more than a number within 10. The children were very well behaved when we had an exciting disruption to our day on Monday this week! When we get back to school we will carry on with our hot write for Lost and Found, and we will be starting to learn about Autumn in Science.



YEAR 2 - Oak

Before our exciting adventure with the weather, we were busy painting our shoe boxes by creating our own shades and tints of blue to create a beautiful underwater backdrop for our dioramas. These boxes are safe and dry and will be ready and waiting for us when we return. In Maths we have been consolidating our understanding of place value thinking about how many tens and ones are represented in each number. We have also been learning to write numbers as words and learning the importance of spelling these names correctly. Our story of The Snail and The Whale is coming along nicely, we have been learning to use adjectives to add more detail to describe nouns and make our sentences more interesting. Please keep reading and learning this story while we are apart. When we are back together we will be looking at our Science topic which is all about animals and their habitats and our Geography topic which is all about the oceans and continents of the world. Well done to everyone being so brave and patient during this difficult time. We miss you all and can't wait to get back together.



Celebration Assemblies...

VALUES

Congratulations to our children who have excelled in all areas of our core values:
RESILIENCE, RESPONSIBILITY, RESPECT, RESTORATIVE

20.09.24



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



20.09.24



Jeans for Genes Day...

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported the Jeans for Genes day on Friday 20th September.

Jeans for Genes week is the UK's only fund and awareness raising week for ALL genetic conditions in the UK. Over 3.5 million people are living with a genetic condition, affecting 1 in 10 families. 75% of rare diseases affect children.

Thanks to your generosity, we have absolutely smashed our target of £300 and raised a whopping £400 as The Blue Sky Federation.

If you haven't yet been able to support the Jeans for Genes day campaign and would like to, you can make an online donation here: [JEANS for GENES Day—Blue Sky Federation](https://www.jeansforgenes.org)

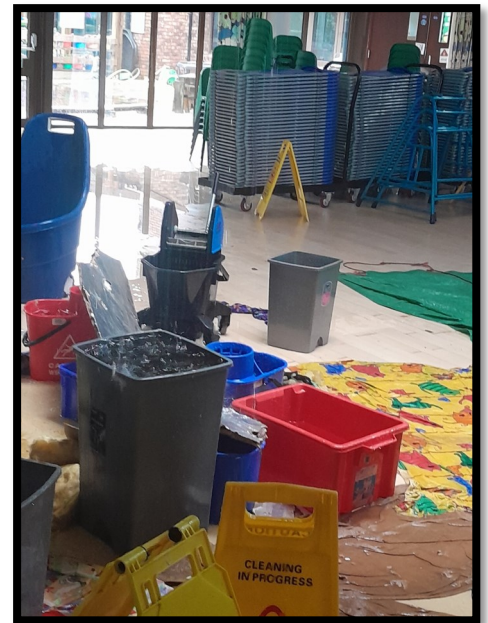


Heelands Water Damage...

As you can see from these images, the flood damage has been extensive, and it will take time to restore our hall to a useable space. The heavy rain had gathered on our flat roof and caused leakage to the hall ceiling and floor. Our library was also affected.

Since Monday we have liaised with various contractors to fully understand the extent of the damage and to establish when the building will be safe for children to return.

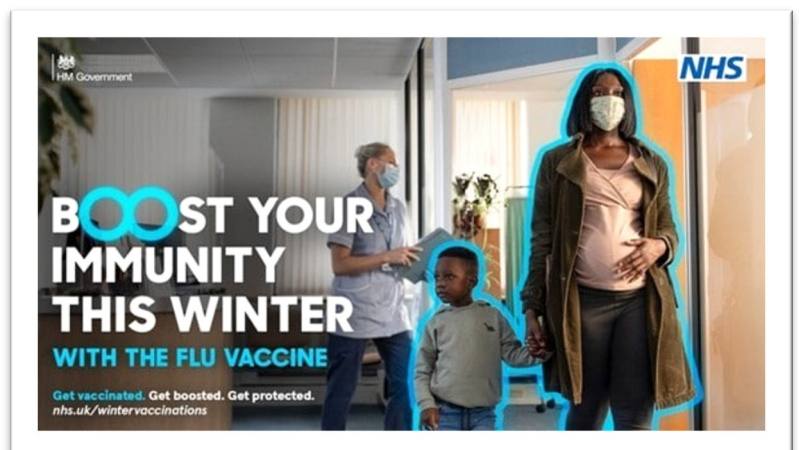
The hall will be out of use for some time as it must be dried out and repairs carried out to the ceiling as well as a new hall floor. We have already been planning creative solutions to this and we will continue to ensure that every Heelands child is safe and has the same ambitious opportunities as they have always had.



NHS Flu Vaccine...

The NHS Team will be coming in on Thursday 9th October to administer the Flu Vaccine (A Nasal Spray). You need to complete the online form and either accept or decline the vaccine for your child. The deadline for completion of the form is 7th October

NHS ONLINE FORM



RESTORATIVE & RESILIENCE



SUMMERFIELD SCHOOL



Sept 2025 Intake

RESPONSIBILITY & RESPECT



Spaces available for all year groups. Accepting start of year and in-year admissions.

"Summerfield is a happy, inclusive and nurturing school.

The School's vision, The Best You Can Be—Everyone, Every Day, runs throughout the building"

"Leaders set high expectations for the pupils. They are relentless in their determination that all pupils should flourish"

"Pupils experience a broad and engaging curriculum. They have many opportunities that include Music, Sport & Community events"

The Best You Can Be - Everyone, Every Day



Chickens

Attractive School Grounds & Facilities

Varied & Exciting Curriculum

Committed Staff Team

Small Class Sizes

Strong Pastoral Care

Strong links with the Community

Viewing TOURS

Thursday 10th OCTOBER—10am Wednesday 13th NOVEMBER—2pm Tuesday 10th DECEMBER—10am

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