



# Autumn 2 Newsletter

Respect, Achieve, Together

We are only a few weeks into the term, and it has already been a busy start for all of our children! They have been working hard on being ready to learn, while focusing on our core values: **Respect, Achieve, Together.**

In exciting news, the children had the opportunity to vote for our new team system this year. This is a fresh initiative for our school, and soon your children will discover whether they'll be part of **Air, Fire, Water, or Earth.** Our Year 6 students are already applying for leadership roles within their teams, embracing this exciting new challenge.

## Upcoming Events



- 2/10 Harvest
- 7/10 Reception Family Festival and Reading Workshop
- 10/10 Hello Yellow Day
- 22/10 SATs Parents meeting
- 25/10 Identity and diversity celebration
- 25/10 Last day of term
- 4/11 Back to school
- 12/11 Y4 Multiplication meeting
- 11/11 Remembrance
- 12/11 Odd Socks Day
- 11-15/11 Friendship week
- 18/11 Children in Need
- 28/11 Panto trip
- 13/12 EYFS Nativity (10am and 2pm)
- 17/12 KS1 Play (10am and 2pm)
- 18/12 KS2 Carol and Christmas market (Santa)
- 19/12 Xmas dinner
- 20/12 Party day (and last day)



## After School Activities

- Monday – Football Club (UKS2)
- Monday – Makaton (KS2)
- Tuesday – X Country (lunchtime)
- Thursday – Chess Club (KS2)
- Thursday – Sewing Club (Year 3-6)

## 2 Year Provision and Nursery

We still have spaces available in both Our 2 Year provision and our Nursery So please give us a call 01246 850277, email [office@heath.Derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:office@heath.Derbyshire.sch.uk) or pop in to the school office for more information.

## Staffing

It has been lovely to welcome back Miss Davenport and Mrs Clayton from their maternity leave. As well as this, Miss Marshall, Miss Brooks and Miss Shepherd have been settling into life here at HPS.

Sadly Mrs Goddard has left this week. She has been a real asset to our team and will be missed by us all. We wish her well in her new venture.

## Uniform & Make-up

We strongly encourage the wearing of our uniform across the whole school. We are very proud of our uniform and feel children are ready to learn, and feel part of the school community when wearing it.

Also, as part of our uniform policy children should not be wearing makeup for school or any jewellery apart from a watch or stud earrings.



## Attendance

Class 4 HW	99%
Class 4 P	99%
Class 5/6 F	97%
Class 5/6 GB	97%
Class 1/2 DO	97%
Rec Bears Class	97%
Class 1/2 B	96%
Class 1/2 H	96%
Rec Lions Class	96%
Class 3 RB	96%
Class 5/6 B	95%
Class 3 M	94%

Attendance last year improved on previous years but dipped as we entered the last part of the year.

Please be aware we are unable to grant holiday requests for anything other than exceptional circumstances and if not granted could lead to increased fines for both parents under the new guidelines.

## **Exciting News: KS2 Pupils to Learn Latin!**

We are delighted to announce that our KS2 pupils will now be learning Latin as part of our foreign language curriculum. Latin is not only the root of many modern languages, but it also strengthens understanding of English vocabulary, grammar, and sentence structure. Additionally, it supports critical thinking and problem-solving skills, while giving pupils a unique insight into ancient history and cultures.

We're thrilled to bring this enriching opportunity to our students and can't wait to see how they benefit from it!

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Lynch and the HPS team.