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## Friends of HPS

Summer Fair- A huge thank you to everyone who helped on Friday and to all who came along to support the event. We will let you know shortly how much we raised.

## NEWS

Sports Day- Please can all children come dressed in their PE kits and wearing a t-shirt of their house colour for sports day on next Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> July. The park gate will be open at the start and end of the day and access to the school premises can be gained via the Broad Lane entrance throughout the day. Don't forget to bring along a picnic blanket or your own portable chair to watch the races. Refreshments will be on sale during the day so please bring along some pennies. Please refer to this week's email letter for all housekeeping rules so that everyone can enjoy a safe sports day. The timings for the day are as follows:

9.15am—9.45am Nursery  
9.45am– 11.15am Reception and Year 1  
11.15am– 12.15pm Year 2 & Year 3  
1.30pm– 3.00pm Year 4, 5 & 6

Sports Day Menu- The menu options for sports day will be beef burger or quorn burger followed by a biscuit or fresh fruit. **Please note that there will be no Jacket potato option on sports day.**

Debt- As we are only two weeks away from the end of term, please could all parents clear any debts they have with the school in relation to school dinners, trips, breakfast club, after school club or nursery sessions.

Lost property - We have accumulated a significant amount of lost property this year. It will be sorted out and any named items will be returned. It is much easier to return items to their owner if they are named. The rest will be washed and then sold by the Friends at sports day. Please can all school uniform and other school items be clearly named in September.

## Learner of the week



FSDB Elie-May  
FSG Alfie  
1BA Taylan  
1P Alexis  
2D Lily C  
2P Lily B  
3H Tilly  
3S Leo  
5F Jaxon  
5S Dominik



Mobile Phones- Just a reminder that we have a no mobile phone policy at Heathcoat Primary School to ensure the safety of all pupils and staff. Please ensure that mobile phones are NOT used on the school premises.

## Best Attendance

6W – 100%





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## Diary Dates



Year 6 Leavers  
Assembly – 19<sup>th</sup> July  
2.30pm

## Term Dates



Last Day of Summer Term  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

First Day of Autumn Term  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Autumn Half Term  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October –  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Last Day of Autumn Term  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

First Day of Spring Term  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020

## Heathcoat Heroes

The children below have all reached the very top of our learning behaviours and expectations system this week.

1P – Lacey & Alexis

**Parking** - As you are all aware the old Charlton Lodge site is becoming ACE school in September. You will have received the message last week that the lay-by outside ACE will be parking permit holders only from today and this will be enforced. This lay-by has been created for the transport such as mini buses needed for ACE. They will start and finish the school day before us therefore there should not be additional traffic on the roads around school at 8.45am and 3.15pm. Many families cross the road just outside the main gate and we would like to remind drivers that parking on double yellow lines or on the pavement is illegal and it also inhibits the vision for pedestrians and other drivers. Please can we remind you to be considerate of our neighbours during the school run by not blocking entry to their property. PSCO Rob Moss has been made aware of this.

Some parents have expressed concerns that the roads around school are becoming busier and would benefit from traffic calming measures in place. If you have concerns I would urge you to contact the councillors for West Exe (Ron Dolley, Wally Burke and Gerald Luxton).

We would encourage as many children as possible to walk to school thereby reducing the amount of traffic on the road.

The school car park is for permit holders only but parking is available at the Heathcoat Community Centre for school pick up and drop off. We would appreciate your assistance and support in ensuring the safety and well being of all pupils, parents and staff.



Congratulations to the following pupil who has demonstrated their building learning powers in various different activities outside of school.

3S - Esme

Parents can share their child's wow moments regarding Building Learning Power by sending in a wow slip (available from the document stand outside the office).



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School Absence Procedures -As a Federation, we believe that in order for children to fully benefit from their education, quite simply, good attendance is crucial. Without good attendance the children miss lessons, vital learning and important information and they will not get the most out of their primary school experience. We work closely with the Education Welfare Officer to ensure that the school monitors pupils' patterns of attendance, informing parents/carers in writing of irregular attendance and arranging meetings with them if necessary. We are working hard to promote good attendance with all children.

With this in mind we would like to remind you of the schools procedure if your child is absent from school:

- If your child is unwell, you should contact the school office by 9.15am on the first day of the absence and telephone every day thereafter unless your child has a doctor's certificate.
- The school will contact you if your child is absent and no contact has been made. If no contact is made, we will continue to try to contact you and the other emergency contacts that you have provided us with.
- If after 2 days there has been no contact, the school may ring 101 and ask the Police to make a welfare call to your address.
- All requests for time off must be on the absence request form which can be found outside the school office and should be returned at least 2 weeks in advance. Any requests for absence will be assessed on a case by case basis.

As a parent/carer, you can demonstrate your commitment to your child's education by not allowing your child to miss school for anything other than an exceptional or unavoidable reason.

Are you aware that if you allow your child to miss school in term time for an avoidable reason without obtaining the prior approval of the school, you may be issued with a Penalty Notice\* per parent per child, or made the subject of court proceedings under section 444 of the Education Act 1996.

\* Penalty Notice £60 if paid within 21 days, increasing to £120 if paid after 21 days and before 28 days.

Penalty Notices have been issued to parents.

If you have any questions regarding attendance, please speak to Miss Higginson, Mrs Budden or Mrs Williams(in the school office).