



# Newsletter

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## Contact Details

It is very important that you keep the school up to date when there are any changes to your child's contact details. Please could you advise the office of any contact changes, as this will ensure that your child's records are up to date. It is the responsibility of parents & carers to keep this information correct at all times.



## NEWS

Year 6 Mental Health Ambassadors- On Friday 14th February, the year 6 Mental Health Ambassadors are holding a cake sale at the end of the school day. This will be held in the new hall. Please could the year 6 Mental Health Ambassadors bring in cakes & biscuits to sell (nut free). All proceeds will go to Place2Be, the mental health charity.

Friendship Celebration- To celebrate friendship at Heathcoat's the children will be offered a friendship themed menu this Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> February.

Friendly fish fingers or My mate Quorn dippers  
Served with Chummy cheesy chips or Pally plain pasta.  
Followed by a heart shaped custard biscuit.



## Learner of the week



FSDB Thomas  
FSG Holly  
1BA Charlie  
1P Ava  
2D Robyn  
2P Ben  
3E Joshua  
3P Blake  
4C Hayden  
4E Myles  
5F Holly  
5S Alexa  
6H Levanna  
6W Emily G

## Lunchtime Behaviour



FSDB Charlie  
FSG Cooper  
1BA Daniel  
1P Orlaith  
2D Jake  
2P Lexi  
3E Felicity  
3P Isabel  
4C Freddie  
4E Annabelle  
5F Bethany  
5S Hudson  
6H Grace R  
6W Bailey

## Best Attendance

6W – 100%



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### Diary Dates



Safer Internet Day  
11<sup>th</sup> February

### Term Dates



Spring Half Term  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February-  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February

Last Day of Spring Term  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

First Day of Summer Term  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April

May Bank Holiday  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May

Summer Half Term  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May-  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

### Heathcoat Heroes

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

FSDB- Dulcie & Thomas

FSG- Logan

3P- Lily V

5S- Kirsty & Sebastian

Coronavirus- You will no doubt be aware of the Coronavirus that originated in China, but has now reached the UK. While there is no formal guidance for schools from Public Health England we are monitoring the outbreak, which has been described as a “public health emergency of international concern” by the WHO. Please be assured that we will take any appropriate action swiftly should it be required in order to maintain the health and safety of children, staff and public.

Lunchtimes at HPS- The newly appointed dining hall helpers have been in place for 2 weeks and are doing really well. The Mealtime assistants in the dining hall have given them some top tips as well as some positive feedback. The children have also reported that they enjoy having children to talk to and who might help them in the hall.

Children are continuing to earn golden tickets for their good choices at lunchtime, especially for the current focus of “I can cut my food into bite-size pieces” and “I can line up quickly and quietly outside”. We are delighted that now, when asked, almost every child is able to articulate what they did to earn their ticket.

The lunchtime behaviour focus will change after half term, and the new focus will be decided via discussion with the MTAs and the children.

Mobile phones- We have 15 mobile phones handed into the office by pupils everyday. Does your child really need to bring their phone to school? They only need to bring it if they are walking home without an adult. If they don't need it please can they be left at home. If your child does need to bring their phone to school then it needs to be handed into the office as soon as they are on site and should not be used on the school site.

Scooters and bikes- Please can we remind children that bikes and scooters should not be ridden on school site. They need to be pushed through the grounds to ensure all members of our community remain safe.

### Accelerated Reader Achievement

3P highest average quiz percentages



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Uniform-Please can we remind children that they should be wearing the correct school uniform as listed below:

- A royal blue sweatshirt with the embroidered school logo
- A navy blue pullover or cardigan (with or without the school logo)
- Trousers/shorts in charcoal grey or black
- Skirt/tunic in navy blue
- Blue and white checked summer dress
- Pale blue cotton long sleeved shirt or pale blue polo shirt (with or without the school logo)
- Plain socks/tights in white, grey or navy
- Shoes should be flat and should be black, brown or dark blue. Children should wear school shoes. If children need to wear trainers they should be plain black with **no bright colours or white**.
- Trousers with writing or white lines and track suit bottoms are not school uniform. If your child is not wearing the correct school uniform, their class teacher will speak to both you and your child.

Start of the day- Unless you are coming to breakfast club you should **not** be arriving on site until 8.30am, at the earliest. We have a number of children arriving at 8.15am. If they need to come to school at this time then you need to book them into and pay for breakfast club.

Safer Internet Day- On Tuesday 11th February, Heathcoat will be celebrating Safer Internet Day 2020. Although the children are constantly learning about online safety and ways to improve their digital literacy throughout their Computing curriculum, we will be focusing on this years theme for Safer Internet Day, which is 'Free to be me – exploring identity online.' Safer Internet Day will encourage young people to explore how they manage their online identity and how the internet shapes how they think of themselves and others.

Our assembly this week will focus on what makes up your online identity – such as the facts or characteristics about you, how others perceive and interact with you, as well as how online services identify you. It will also look at how offline stereotypes and discrimination are challenged or reinforced online. In our Computing lessons we will look at whether the internet allows young people to experiment and express themselves, or if they feel limited in who they can be online. By opening up conversations around online identity, we aim to inspire young people to support each other in being who they want to be online in a safe environment to protect themselves from the sometimes negative impact of social media and online gaming.

The younger generation are in an ever changing limitless digital age, and is therefore paramount that we educate them to cope with how to use the internet and online media safely.





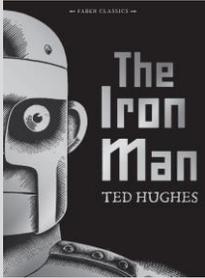
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Year 3 Craft Morning- Parents, Carers and Grandparents are invited to a craft morning from 9 - 10.30am on Thursday 5th March (World Book Day). We will be making robots from junk, which will link to the novel Iron Man by Ted Hughes, which the classes will be reading next term. Anyone who has any cardboard, foil or junk modelling materials, please can they be given to the year 3 teachers.

### Safeguarding and Child Protection.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and all child protection concerns need to be acted on immediately. If you are concerned that a child may be at risk or actually suffering abuse please contact Demelza Higginson, Josie Hambly, Mike Payne or Claire Shanahan within school or alternatively if not in school hours please contact MASH (Devon County Council multi agency safeguarding hub) who are available to discuss your concern and advise 0345 155 1071.

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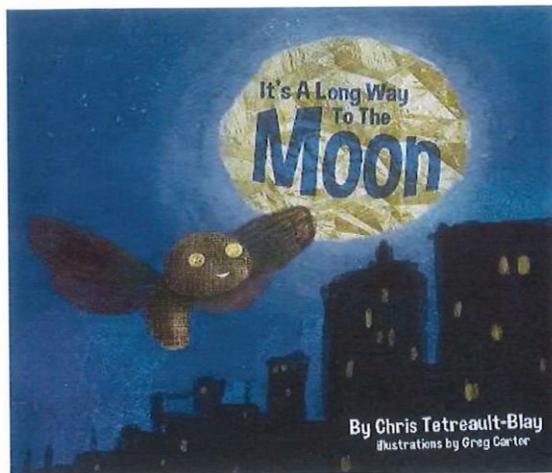
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## It's A Long Way To The Moon by Chris Tetreault-Blay

Tuesday February 18th 10am—11am

A celebration for National Story Telling Week!

Chris Tetreault-Blay will be here to tell his story 'It's A Long Way To The Moon'. A heart-warming, inspirational rhyming picture book that follows the exploits of a moth with just one dream - to fly to the moon.

Chris will also be providing a craft session with his story telling.

Tickets will be £1.00 per child attending, adults free. Refreshments available on request for a small donation

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