



Newsletter

7 March, 2022

Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

t 01884 252445 | e admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Available online at www.heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Absence reporting email

If your child is unwell, please contact the school office by 9.15am by telephone 01884 252445 or email attendance@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk, on **each day** that your child is absent. The attendance email goes to all the office staff as well as members of the leadership team. Please **do not** email the class teachers directly to report an absence.

Collection

Please can we remind you to contact the school office if your child is being collected by someone else.

Science Week 2022

Science Week will run at Heathcoat Primary School from 14-18th March.

Throughout the week there will be science related activities and experiments for classes to carry out along with a really exciting Workshop on Monday 14th March to kick off the week! This year's theme is Growth. There will also be a poster competition happening throughout both KS1 and KS2.

If you have not paid for the Science Workshop via Scopay, please ensure you do so by **Friday 18th March**. This is really great opportunity for your child to take part in an engaging science experiment.

Raising money for Ukraine appeal



To raise money for the Ukraine appeal we would like to encourage the children to come to school wearing yellow and blue on Friday. All clothes and shoes need to be appropriate for the school day so, no high heels, crop tops, off the shoulder tops or short skirts or shorts, for example.

If you would like a donation to the Ukraine appeal please send the money in with your child to give to their class teacher.

Learner of the week



FSDB Effie
FSG Amelia
1BA Lila-Lily
1P Quinn
2D Matthew & Logan
2P Libby B
3E Alfie D
3P Riley
4K Martha
4Kin Mileja
5F Daisy-Mai
5S Mia
6C Cameron
6F/C Isabelle

Lunchtime Behaviour



FSDB Eleanor
FSG Thomas
1BA Rosie
1P Jaymes
5F Harry W
5S Kayamai

Best Attendance

6C – 98.3%





Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

t 01884 252445 | e admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Available online at www.heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Diary Dates



British Science week
11th-20th March

Term Dates



Last Day of the Spring Term
Friday 8th April 2022

First Day of the Summer Term
Monday 25th April

May Bank Holiday
Monday 2nd May

Summer Half Term
Monday 30th May-
Friday 3rd June

Queen's Jubilee Bank Holiday
Monday 4th July

Heathcoat Heroes

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

1P – Ashleigh, Luna & Iris

2D – Lola M 3E – Lexi

5F – Harvey, Heidi, Ella, Harry N, Oran & Kingsley

5S – Oliver R, Lauren, Solly, Felicity, Lily & Elif

Lunchtime behaviour focus

Lunchtime behavior focus for the next fortnight:



Inside: I will use my knife and fork and cut up my food.

I will not speak when my mouth still has food in it.

Outside: I will play kindly and include other people in my game (I will not push or hurt anyone else). I will line up quickly and quietly.

Dropping off children at the start of the day -

Main Gate



Over the course of last week there have been at least 5 occasions where we have had real cause for concern regarding the safety of our pupils in the road area outside of the main school gates.

This is due to a small minority of parents who continue to drop their children off outside of the school gates and then turn in the road which is adjacent, or who drop their child off at the junction to Broad Lane.

We will be speaking to individual parents regarding this. We have also spoken to the local police officer who will be doing spot checks.

Please keep the children safe by dropping your children in the community car park and using the park gate, or by parking on Broad Lane and walking your child to the school gate.

Can we also ask that you all do your part to keep all members of our community safe by reducing your speed when driving along Broad Lane and Orchard way.



Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

t 01884 252445 | e admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Available online at www.heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

School Absence Procedures

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 (by telephone 01884 252445 or by email attendance@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk and telephone or email 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 1 day with 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.

Should you choose to take your child out of school without the authorisation of the school, then Parental Responsibility Measures could be instigated. This could mean receiving any of the following:

- A Penalty Notice may be issued by Devon County Council. A penalty notice offers a parent the opportunity of dealing with a potential offence without going to court, by paying a penalty. If parents can't afford to pay, or for any reason do not take the offer of paying the notice within a set time, then the case will proceed to a magistrate's court.
- A summons to the Magistrate Court could result in a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a term of imprisonment for up to 3 months. The provision of penalty notices is set by Regulations and the amount of the penalty, timeframe for payment or payment method are not able to be varied by Devon County Council.

Parents should note that only one penalty notice per parent per child will normally be issued within a two-year period. Any second "offence" within a two-year period will be referred straight to court.

Some absence facts:

- There are 365 days a year – children only have to attend school for 190 of those.
- If your child is 5 minutes late every day... that adds up to 3 days of lost learning per year.
- If your child is 15 minutes late every day... that adds up to almost 10 days lost every year.
- If you are absent from school for 1 day a week throughout your school life... you will be missing 2 years of your education.
- If you are absent from school for 1 day every half a term throughout your whole school life, you will miss, in total, 3 months of education, 90% attendance throughout your school life = missing 1 whole year of education.



Newsletter

7 March, 2022

Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

t 01884 252445 | e admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Available online at www.heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

World book day





Newsletter

7 March, 2022

Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

t 01884 252445 | e admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Available online at www.heathcoat.devon.sch.uk





Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

t 01884 252445 | e admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Available online at www.heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

LEARNING TO READ – ADULTS



You may have seen the recent BBC documentary following the journey of Repair Shop presenter, Jay Blades, as he faces up to the challenge of learning to read as an adult with the support of a Read Easy Reading Coach.

Jay concealed his inability to read until he was in his 30s, after he struggled to learn to read as a child. Jay is not alone – a quarter of all children in England leave primary school (1), like Jay, unable to read to the expected level. Nearly seven million adults in the UK have very poor literacy skills (2). Many are too ashamed or embarrassed to come forward and ask for help.

Not being able to read properly affects almost every aspect of day to day life – from reading signs and important letters, to voting or being able to understand basic health information. It also makes it more difficult to be able to support your own children's learning.

We have access to a Read Easy Reading coach. If you are interested, we can give you the information confidentially. Nobody else needs to know.

We also understand that people who are unable to read may not be able to access all of the information here – so if you know of someone who might benefit from a Read Easy Reading coach – please tell them all about the scheme.

You can watch Jay Blades: Learning to Read at 51 on iPlayer and via the BBC website [BBC iPlayer - Jay Blades: Learning to Read at 51](#)



Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

t 01884 252445 | e admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Available online at www.heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Parent Autism Topic based workshops

We are delighted here at The Communication & Interaction Team (Babcock LDP) to have launched and further develop our new Parent Autism Awareness programme and additional events, following our recent and previous offer of the Cygnet programme online during the pandemic period.

We are delighted here at The Communication & Interaction Team (Babcock LDP) to have launched and further develop our new Parent Autism Awareness programme and additional events, following our recent and previous offer of the Cygnet programme online during the pandemic period.

Date	Time	Topic	Trainer
Wed 16 Mar	1-3p.m	Autism - Girls	Robert Good
Tues 26 Apr	9.30-11.30	Autism – Communication (pre/non verbal – support strategies)	Laura Matthews
Mon 16 May	12.30-2.30	Autism – Communication (verbal – support strategies)	Laura O'Shea
Tues 24 May	9.30-11.30	Autism – Managing stress + anxiety	Alison Cann
Wed 15 Jun	9.30-11.30	Autism – Demand avoidance + PDA	Robert Good
Fri 8 Jul	9.30-11.30	Autism – Vulnerability + online safety	Paul Lamanna
Thurs 28 Jul	9.30-11.30	Autism – Sensory processing + integration	Kevin Jones

Apply direct by email to: LDP-LearnerSupport@babcockinternational.com

To secure a place on any of the above topic based workshops.

We will confirm your booking request and provide you with a direct link to the event.

They will be delivered on line 'live' via the ClickMeet platform.

Cleaning Vacancy – Permanent Position

We are currently looking to recruit 2 Cleaners to work in our busy cleaning team across our 3 sites. This is a permanent position.

We are looking for someone who can start as soon as possible.

This position requires:

- A methodical and meticulous approach
- A good team player
- A conscientious and thorough approach to the work assigned
- Previous cleaning experience would be an advantage
- Capable of carrying out all the physical aspects of the position

The vacancy is for 15 hours per week, 3:25pm – 6:25pm, Monday to Friday, 41 weeks per year.

Grade A (SCP6) £9.50per hour.

If you would like to apply please email admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk for an application.



Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

t 01884 252445 | e admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Available online at www.heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

ACTIVE PARENTS INFORMATION STATION at TIVERTON LIBRARY

Find us at:

activeparentshub.org &



For all your
0-5yrs
information
and services

Libraries
Unlimited



Newsletter

7 March, 2022

Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

t 01884 252445 | e admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Available online at www.heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Activate **Camps**

at **BLUNDELL'S SCHOOL**

in **2022**



Activate Camps
is the leading provider
of **active and inspiring**
childcare camps in the UK

We're dedicated to sports development and passionate about fun activities. With over 17 years of experience, we've developed a keen eye for what makes childcare fun and have designed a variety of entertaining camps suitable for all characters.

Operating to Ofsted standards, we provide exceptional levels of engagement in a safe and secure environment.



THE CRICKET ACADEMY
LET'S PLAY CRICKET

19-22 APR
8-12 AUG



NETBALL FEVER

25-27 JUL



TRIATHLON
MASTERCLASS

1-3 AUG



THE CRICKET ACADEMY
DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

9-11 AUG



FREESTYLE SOCCER CAMPS

15-17 AUG
24-26 OCT

WE ACCEPT CHILDCARE VOUCHERS



FLEXIBLE BOOKING

BOOK NOW



Activate Camps

Active & Inspiring Childcare

visit activatecamps.co.uk
or call **0121 227 4385**

For offers and promotions follow us
@ActivateCamps





Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

t 01884 252445 | e admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Available online at www.heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

Nearly New Sale

Baby and children's clothes, toys and accessories

Tiverton Pannier Market

**Sunday
20 March**
(11am to 2pm)



A simple, eco-friendly way to buy quality, gently-used items at affordable prices...

- ✓ Free entry for buyers
- ✓ Covered/outdoor pitches
- ✓ School uniform exchange
- ✓ Face painting and other fun for kids
- ✓ Food and drink available
- ✓ Next Nearly New Sale – Sunday 11 September



www.facebook.com/TivertonMarket

Information for sellers...

Arrive from 10am | £5 per bay (includes 1 table and parking permit) | Additional table £1 (limited availability) | Book in advance to secure prime spot (call Tom Nott on 07977 929067 or e-mail tnott@middevon.gov.uk) or turn up on day

**Businesses – £10 per bay
(advance booking only)**

