



Newsletter

20 September, 2022

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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.

Community Centre parking



Please can we remind all parents that when using the community centre carpark during school drop off and collection, to park considerately and safely. You should only use the disabled parking bays if you are a blue badge holder.

Earrings & PE

Please can we ask the children remove their earrings on PE days, for safety reasons. If they are unable to remove their earrings, please can you cover them with micropore tape.

School site

Just a polite reminder that children from the High school should not be entering the HPS site at the end of the school day to use it as a short cut home.

Contacting staff

If you wish to pass on any important information that needs to be addressed urgently, please contact the school office who will be able to pass that information onto the relevant staff. Staff on the gate will be unable to pass on messages, so please contact the office or email attendance@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk to share any information.

Park Gate drop off and collection

Please can we remind parents and children to queue responsibly at the park gate, ensuring that you allow space for members of the public to enter/exit the park and also allow space for children to enter the school gate.

Learner of the week



FSDB Hallie
FSA Molly
1B Ivy
1D Jayden
2CP Halie
2SP Boris
3E Logan
3K Grace
4C Alfie D
4P River
5F Connor
5K Megan
6S Aiden
6F/C Heidi

Lunchtime Behaviour



FSDB Emily
FSA Dylan
1B Isla
1D Eleanor
2CP Grace
2SP Jaymes
3E Mikey
3K Edward
4C Orlaith
4P Edith
5F Seth
5K Martha
6S Oliver H & Cameron
6F/C Beatrice

Best Attendance

99.6% - FSDB



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Diary Dates



International day of
peace
21st September

Term Dates



Autumn Half Term
Monday 24th October –
Friday 28th October

Last day of Autumn Term
Friday 16th December

First day of the Spring term
Wednesday 4th January 2023

Spring Half Term
Monday 13th February –
Friday 17th February

Last day of Spring Term
Friday 31st March

House Captains



During the international democracy day, Y6 not only voted for their new class school councillors they also voted for two they wanted to represent our HPS house teams. Here are our successful representatives.

As part of the weekly celebration assembly, they will collect and celebrate their house teams achievements and dress the House cup with their house colours before celebrating together with the rest of the school.

Heathcoat Heroes

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

4C – Emily

6S – Katie

Secondary School Applications

The application window for Year 7 secondary school admission in 2023 is now open. It is important that all Year 6 parents make their applications on-line at [Citizen Portal - Sign in \(devon.gov.uk\)](https://www.devon.gov.uk/citizen-portal) by **31st October 2022**.

It is important that the application is made on time so that parents can secure a place for their child at the secondary school of their choice. More information about applying for a secondary school place can be found on the Devon County Council website [Apply for a secondary place – Education and Families \(devon.gov.uk\)](https://www.devon.gov.uk/apply-for-a-secondary-place)



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British values assemblies

Each Wednesday, HPS children have an assembly which teaches them all about the British values.

Why do we teach British values?

It helps children to **improve their spiritual, moral social, and cultural development**. The British values underpin what it is to be a British citizen today.

We teach children about:

Democracy. Encouraging children to know that their views and opinions count. This week we have been selecting school councillors and talking about the British change of prime minister. We explain that everyone has a voice -and when you are over 18, you can vote.

The rule of law. Children are taught about why we have rules and discuss what would happen without them. We encourage children to understand what is right and wrong.

Individual liberty. Children are taught to understand that everyone can choose what they do, say and how they behave and there are consequences for this.

We need to understand that other people may not have the same ideas or views as us. We encourage children to have a positive sense of themselves.

Mutual respect and tolerance. We provide opportunities for children to learn about other faiths, views, cultures and races. We talk about how there are people from many different cultures and religions, and we are all different and that is ok, and really special. We teach about respect and accepting others, whatever they look like or whatever their beliefs.

Why don't you ask your child and see if they can tell you what the 4 main British Values are -and what they mean?



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Willow Tree Dance and Theatre Arts are BACK!!



The amazing youth cast will be performing one of the most loved musicals from the 80s, CATS this October at Tiverton New Hall!

The youngest performers are our tiny 'Kittens' aged just six all the way up to our oldest junior members at twenty-one.

The production will have up to twenty make-up artists each night creating the visual spectacle and complimenting the modern set giving the musical a fresh, updated look!

This is going to be a PAWSOME show and you have 8 chances to see it. For the first time ever, there will be two shows on a Sunday- one in the morning and one in the afternoon, as well as a matinee on the Saturday.

The show starts on Wednesday 19th October and tickets are on sale NOW and can be purchased at https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/willow-tree-dance-theatre-arts?fbclid=IwAR01bUyfkfyuWVnjDe6yScwZMr6_n8zn2ehSbmocX95AjOBDR00mDrggjc but hurry! They are sure to sell out quickly!

CATS the Musical is a family show that everyone, especially young children, can enjoy so please come along and support the youth in our community as they perform for you again and WOW you with their brilliant singing, dancing and acting onstage at the New Hall, Tiverton. We promise -you will be FELINE fine and PURRFECTLY entertained!