



Newsletter

30 January, 2023

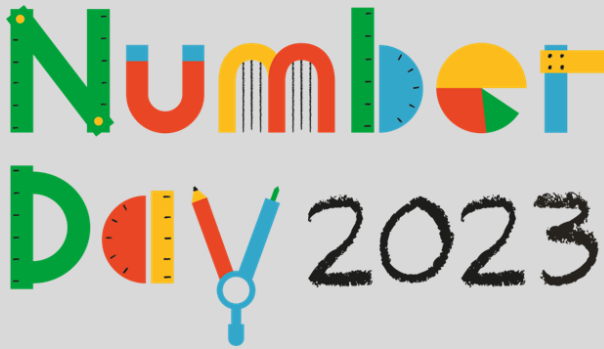
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Absence reporting email

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. Please could we ask that you include the child's name, class and reason for absence (ie sickness).



We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day this Friday, 3rd February 2023.

Everything the NSPCC does protects children today and prevents about tomorrow. The NSPCC need our support more than ever. By raising money, we can help to fund their vital services such as Childline – the helpline that's always there for children and young people whatever their problem or concern.

At Heathcoat Primary school we are making maths meaningful and Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it. We will be spending the day taking on exciting Math's Challenges in our classes and raising awareness of the NSPCC. We are also encouraging all children and staff to Dress up for Digits. Pupils are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!). Or why not get more creative and design a unique t-shirt, hat or even become a human-sized calculator or dice!

To make a donation please click on the link below.

[Donate to Charity Online](#) | [Give to NSPCC today](#) | [NSPCC](#)

Please donate and share with friends so we can support the NSPCC.

Learner of the week



FSDB Ava W
FSA Arthur
1B Mollie
1D Hanna
2CP Rosie
2SP Iris
3E Tilly
3K Logan
4C Tanner
4P Wesley
5F Kaitlyn
5K Martha
6S Oliver R
6S/C Edward

Lunchtime Behaviour



FSDB Charlie P
FSA Lyrá
1B Rhea
1D Eric
2CP Phoenix
2SP Harry S
3E Logan
3K Kayleb
4C Orlaith
4P Peter
5F Erin
5K Lianna S
6S Theodore
6S/C Lily C

Best Attendance

2CP – 98.1%



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Diary Dates



NSPCC Number
day
Friday 3rd January

Term Dates



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

Last day of Spring Term
Friday 31st March

First day of Summer Term
Monday 17th April

May Bank Holiday
Monday 1st May

Summer Half Term
Monday 29th May –
Friday 2nd June

Heathcoat Heroes

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

FSDB –Taylor, Charlie & Eva-Rose

2CP – Scarlett
2SP- Jessica & Ashleigh
3E – Matthew 3K – Holly

4P- Toby, Peter, Wesley, Jasmine, Jack & River F
4C- Jesse

Day of strike action 1st February

You will have received a letter on Friday explaining the partial opening on Wednesday.

Having completed a risk assessment and based on health and safety grounds, **the following classes will be open on Wednesday 1st February:**

FSDB, FSA, 2SP, 4P and 6SC.

Unfortunately, there will not be sufficient staffing for all children to attend school and so **the following classes will be closed:**

FSGH, 1B, 1D, 2CP, 3E, 3K, 4C, 5K, 5F, 6S

The children of critical workers and those children who are vulnerable have been informed if they have a place at school. If your child does have a place at school under these criteria they will be taught in the following spaces:

KS1 (years 1 and 2) will be taught in the blue hall and KS2 (years 3 - 6) will be taught in the year 5 classrooms. They need to go straight to these spaces on arriving at school and this is where you will collect them from. At the end of the day.

Breakfast club and after school is still available for those children who are in school and needs to be booked in the normal way.

Please note that Government guidance Handling Strike Action In Schools, January 2023 states: "if a school has to restrict attendance by telling some pupils not to attend school on a strike day, the Y code should be used for pupils who are told not to attend. **Pupils who are required to attend should be marked in the normal way.** If a pupil is required to attend school on a strike day but does not, then they must be recorded as absent. The Y code does not count towards the pupil or school's absence record."



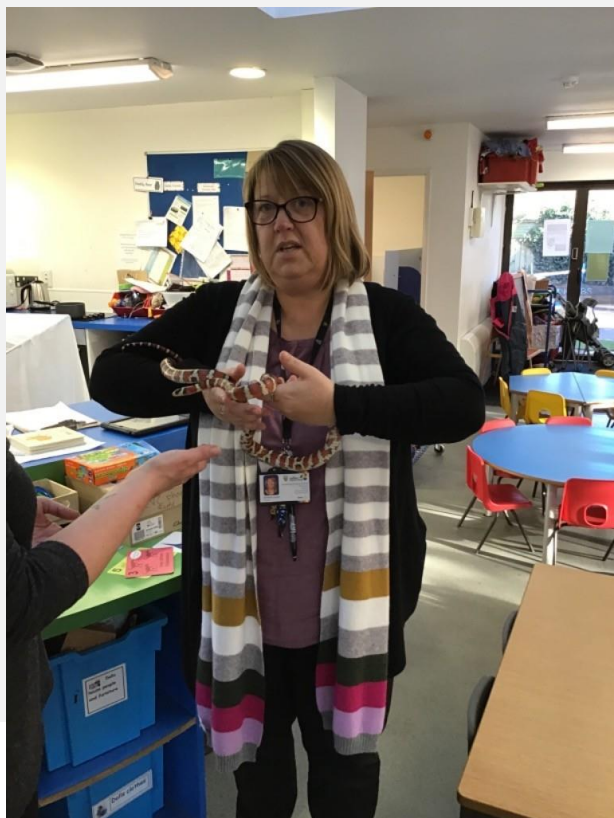
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Nursery pet visit

Over the past couple of weeks, the Nursery children have been finding out about Pets and how we look after them. Last Friday we were very excited to get a visit from Ronnie the rabbit and Maliki the Amazon King snake. Both pets were very well behaved and the children were able to hold the rabbit and ask questions about the snake. We would like to say a big thank you to Erin for bringing in Ronnie and Ms Green for telling us lots of interesting facts about Maliki. We had a great time.





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School uniform donations

We are in desperate need for donations of HPS Logo/plain jumpers and boys trousers of all sizes for our second hand uniform store. If you have any jumpers or trousers that are in good condition please hand them in to the office. Thankyou

Willow Tree
DANCE & THEATRE ARTS
Presents
Story Book
at the New Hall, Barrington Street

Wednesday 29th March - Saturday 1st April
Wednesday - Friday 7.30pm, Saturday - 2.30pm & 7.30pm
Tickets: Adults: £13.00, Children & Pensioners: £8.50
Family ticket (2 adults 2 children) £36.00
online at www.ticketsource.co.uk and from Busy Bee (cash only)
information@willowtreedanceandtheatrearts.com
www.willowtreedanceandtheatrearts.com
tel: 07476 917416



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Volunteers Wanted



We are looking for parent volunteers to set up and run our Friends Association. This would involve organising events such as discos to raise money for the school. This role would require a DBS check. If you are interested then please email admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk . Mrs Sullivan will then be arranging a meeting for any parents who are interested after half term.

Gymnastics competition

On Sunday 29th January, Edith, Mayzie and Freya competed in a gymnastics competition in Barnstaple with their Gym group 'Exe Valley Gymnastics School'

All 3 girls did amazing. They competed in Vault, Under 11's girls floor routine and did a Trio floor routine competing as Heathcoat Primary School.

They are very proud of themselves, and although they did not get placed, it was a great experience for them which they all enjoyed.

