

July Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

August 25

School meet up for new parents and children – 11 am

September 5

First day of term for Yr 1 and 2

September 5

Home visits for reception all week

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our very first newsletter! I am sure you have all been keeping up to date through following our social media feeds – but nothing beats a good newsletter!

Firstly, thank you so much for the wonderful turnout at our Reception evening, it was great to have a chance to meet you all. We are very aware that we are yet to meet our Yr 1 and 2 parents, however we hope everyone can make it to the school at 11.00 am on August 25th. It will be really good for the children to see their new classrooms and meet their teacher. That morning we can also hand over uniform orders and take payment.

I can happily say that we have now recruited all of our team, and what a super team it is! Anna Cowcher will be teaching our Receptions Class, Marta Lukanowska will be teaching our Year 1 and 2 class, Laura Everett will be the Reception TA and Rachel Worth will be the TA in Year 1 and 2. Our office team are Jane Richardson and Sue Dark. We have Clive Forrest taking on the invaluable role of Caretaker and Clare Forrest is our first midday supervisor – as you can see we have been very busy making sure we have the very best team in September. Soon we will publish biographies on the website so you can find out a little more about us all.

Please take note of the safety notice, you will receive a letter detailing this message shortly, which will require an email from yourselves to evidence receipt of the letter. Thank you for your support in this matter.

School Access Safety

As you are very aware there is still a vast amount of building work happening around our school and for this reason it is imperative that we follow the guidance of the WCC Highways Agency to ensure our children are safe.

Until further notice our pedestrian entrance is at the top of Garrett Drive, where there will be a buzzer and a camera to enter.

There will temporarily be a drop off point for those arriving by car in the school car park outside the main entrance – the further car park is for staff only.

There is to be *absolutely no* parking along Garrett Drive or Harbury Lane. This is for the safety of the children. There will be two crossings in place on Harbury Lane.

House Keeping

Being a brand new school, and the fact that it will be all of our 'first days' in September, we thought it would be useful to share with you how drop off and pick up will work. The site will open at 8.30 am and the classroom doors will be open at 8.45, all children should be in and ready for register for 9.00. The school day will end at 3.15. As you will have read on the School Access Safety notice, if you are walking to school (which we really encourage, being that parking is incredibly limited and in the future will be non-existent!) the entrance is at the top of Garrett Drive, near the junction to Harbury Lane. At this gate there will be a buzzer and a camera to ensure we safeguard the children through visually checking those entering the site. Any visitors who are not parents or children will enter via the main entrance at the front of the school. You will need to use Garret Drive entrance gate when dropping off and picking up your children. There will be signs to show you where to go once inside the grounds, these will direct you to the areas you will wait, outside the appropriate classrooms. When we hand over the children at the end of the day we will do so directly to the parent (unless otherwise arranged with both the class teacher and the admin team).

The nursery will also be using the buzzer/camera gate, however they will be staggering their start and end times to try and avoid the busier points of the day.

I am pleased to be able to offer parking for parents at the Nuffield Gym, Gallagher Business Park, Macbeth Approach, Heathcote, Warwick CV34 6AD. Busy Bees nursery and the gym have kindly said we can park on the left of gym – not outside the nursery. We are very grateful to both the gym and the nursery for allowing us to use their carpark – this is for a trial period, so we will see how it goes! You can then walk through to the crossings on Harbury Lane. I really hope this might help!

The start/finish times are different for Reception in the first week (beg 11th September) as it is staggered for the class. From Thursday, 14th August they will follow the same timetable, 9.00 – 3.15.

Our newsletters will be far more exciting in the future; focused upon teaching, learning and sharing all the fantastic things that will be happening in school! I am sure you can appreciate the multitude of practicalities that we have to address prior to opening. I look forward to meeting you all in August.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. Lara Jeffries
Headteacher



Reception Class

Safeguarding

Heathcote Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and anyone can make a referral to Children's Services by calling: 01926 414 144

Or email:

mash@warwickshire.gcsx.gov.uk

Mrs. Lara Jeffries is Heathcote Primary School's Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), if you have any concerns please come and talk to Mrs. Jeffries, or call the school to make an appointment.

Useful numbers:

Concerns about member of staff or head should be taken to the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO)

lado@warwickshire.gcsx.gov.uk

Tel: 01926 743 433