

Reminder:

10th January 2020

What's on ...				
Monday 13th January	Tuesday 14th January	Wednesday 15th January	Thursday 16th January	Friday 17th January
Mad Science 3.15-4.15pm	Theatre Train Dance Club 3.15-4.15pm Football 3.30-4.30pm	Multisports 3.30-4.30pm	GoGo Makers 3.15-4.15pm Acrotrix Gym Club 3.15-4.15pm	Celebration Assembly 9.10am

News from the Deputy Head Teacher

A warm welcome back to all of you and wishing everyone a happy new year! I hope you all had a good break over the Christmas holiday and are excited for what 2020 may bring. I had a lovely time at home and Scribbles had great fun opening all his presents! The trick was trying to make sure he only ripped open his present and not everything under the tree!

As we start a new year and a new term, we welcome a few new members to our team. Mr Watson and Mrs Parashar have both thoroughly enjoyed their first week in Year 1 and Year 4 and Miss Bradburn (SENDCo) was in on Tuesday getting to know the children and staff more. We also welcome Mrs Ribbands as a permanent teaching assistant to the team. As we continue through the Spring term we look forward to recruiting more staff to join our team as our school continues to grow.

If anyone happened to walk past the school hall on Monday, you may have heard the sound of a storm, cries of shipwrecked sailors and seen spirits, monsters and Dukes leaping all over the place. Myself and Mrs Humphriss are both very passionate about bringing Shakespeare into the curriculum and so Monday's teachers' INSET training was a curriculum workshop delivered by the Royal Shakespeare Company. We know the children enjoyed learning and performing A Midsummer Night's Dream last summer and this workshop was a great opportunity for the staff to build on their skills and to explore different approaches and strategies to delivering Shakespeare. These techniques can also be used in many different aspects of the curriculum to make lessons more engaging and meaningful for the children.

It was wonderful seeing so many happy faces coming back to school on Tuesday. There was a lovely buzz and excitement in the school that continued into Wednesday where Otters, Foxes, Owls and Squirrels put on their science caps and had great fun making slime with the Mad Science team. The children have also enjoyed the start of Onside-Sports, who will be delivering PE lessons as well as lunch time activities and after school clubs. We are always looking at ways of enriching the children's learning experience through school events, visitors and trips. We will always try our best to communicate these with you as soon as we can, please bear with us through these teething strategies as we try to establish and set up links with external agencies and develop ideas put forward by staff to give children an all-encompassing curriculum.

During Tuesday's assembly we had a good discussion on what our New Year resolutions might be. We spoke that goals need to be Achievable, Benefit us or other and involve a Change for the better. Reflecting on 2019, each class has decided on 3 class goals; one to achieve by the end of January, one by the end of the Spring term and one by the end of the year. What will your New Year resolutions be? Starting a new year is a good time to reflect on the previous year, the positives and the challenges. If you do feel like you are struggling at home with establishing routines, behaviour, finance, conflict etc myself and the rest of the staff are always happy to support. www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies is a great website to look at for advice, guidance and support, they can offer online help, parent consultations and parental workshops.

"The key to realising a dream is to focus not on the success but the significance, and then even the small steps and little victories along your path will take on greater meaning" – Oprah Winfrey

Happy New Year

Mrs Abernethy

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE BY CLASS	
Butterflies	98.33%
Hedgehogs	100%
Otters	97.5%
Foxes	91.38%
Owls	98.75%
Squirrels	96.71%
This week Mr Cote (our attendance badger) will be with:	
HEDGEHOGS !	

WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS									
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Well Done Clarence !									

Star of the Week!	
Butterflies	Jayden
Hedgehogs	Ryan
Otters	Lexi
Foxes	Roux
Owls	Lehith
Squirrels	Anaiah

Spotlight on Excellence



Reception

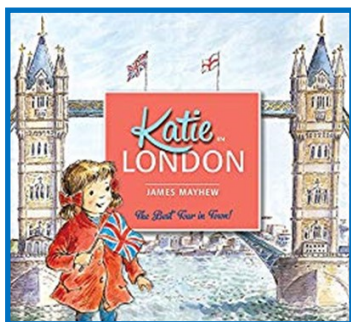
Hedgehogs and Butterflies

This week Hedgehogs and Butterflies have started a new topic all about castles and fairy tales. The children have loved playing in their new castle role play areas and have already been discussing the mysterious beanstalk that has appeared in the classroom! In maths we've started learning all about time. We have been talking about the seasons and naming the months and days of the week. A brilliantly busy start to the year!



Otters—Year 1

Otters have settled back in brilliantly after the New Year and have enjoyed an action packed start the new term where we have made slime with Mad Science and started our new book, 'Katie in London' to help with their learning across the curriculum. Our topic for this term is 'Bright Lights, Big City', and we look forward to learning all about our capital city, London and all that it has to offer.



Change of Menu—Thursday 16th January

LAUNCH INTO LUNCH SPACE MENU

Shooting Stars Shaped Fish in Breadcrumbs

(v) Nebula Noodles with Veggie Bolognaise Sauce

Moonwalk Wedges, Cosmic Corn, Solar Salad and Blast off Beans

(v) Black Hole Chocolate Brownie

Or

(v) Meteor Storm Swirl Mousse

Jacket Potato and Chicken Soft Roll are also available.



Friends of Heathcote

You can see what the 'Friends' are up to by liking us on Facebook, www.facebook.com/groups/friendsofheathcote/ or contact us by email: friendsofheathcote@gmail.com

Happy New Year from all the FoHPS. We are looking forward to another term with family fun events. We have a race evening and an Easter Tea Party to look forward to. Look out for further details on flyers, Facebook and the school website.

Please come along to our next meeting on Tuesday 28th January, everyone is welcome, it will be held at the Heathcote pub at 7.30pm. We look forward to meeting you.

Academic Year 2020

Tuesday 14th January	Closing date for Reception 2020 applications
Friday 17 th January	Celebration Assembly 9.10am
Monday 20 th January	LGB meeting 6.15pm
Friday 24 th January	Celebration Assembly 9.10am
Tuesday 28th January	Friends of Heathcote Meeting
Friday 31 st January	Celebration Assembly 9.10am
Friday 7 th February	Celebration Assembly 9.10am
Tuesday 11th February	Year 2 Trip
Friday 14 th February	Celebration Assembly 9.10am
Friday 14th February	Break up for half term
17th-21st February	Half Term Holiday
Monday 24th February	Return to school
Tuesday 25th February	Pancake Day Races (time TBC)
Friday 28 th February	Celebration Assembly 9.10am
Friday 3rd April	No Teacher Training—children in school
Friday 8th May	Bank Holiday—no school
1st June	Teacher Training Day

*These dates may be subject to change if necessary, changes are made in **red and bold***

School Term and Holiday Dates 2019/2020 are available on the school website



Resource Appeal

Do you have any Lego or construction materials you could donate to the school? Mrs Shirley is starting a lunchtime construction club and would greatly appreciate any donations, thank you.