

What's on				
Monday 2nd March	Tuesday 3rd March	Wednesday 4th March	Thursday 5th March	Friday 6th March
Mad Science 3.15-4.15pm	Theatre Train Dance Club 3.15-4.15pm Football 3.30-4.30pm	Multisports 3.30- 4.30pm	World Book Day GoGo Makers 3.15- 4.15pm Acrotrix Gym Club 3.15-	Celebration Assembly 9.10am

#### News from the Deputy Head

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful, restful and hopefully not too wet half term! I spent most of my half term drying Scribbles after each time he stepped outside, whilst his teddy-bear fur is great for a cuddle, it soaks up water like a mop! Fingers crossed this rain will ease off soon and sunshine will be coming our way!

Azariah from Owls starts our news from the kids section this term reporting on the exciting new developments at Heathcote this term.

### "Builders are here! They are making a new part of the school which will include Year 3, 4, 5 and 6. I'm looking forward to watching the development"

Azariah is quite right, the diggers and builders have arrived at Heathcote this week to start the next phase of our school build. We are very much looking forward to the development of our school and welcoming more children and teachers into our community. A consultation letter regarding the change of capacity at Heathcote went home in book bags this week and can also be found on the school website under our parent tab. Please have a look to make sure you are up-to-date with our future plans. We will also be uploading pictures of the building work onto the school website and Twitter to keep you informed on the process. Thank you for your support this week as the safety barriers have gone up and affected the change of routines at drop-off and collections.

Minnie from Foxes reported this week about our school event on Tuesday afternoon:

# "We had pancake day this week! We had races with our pancakes, we even had to flip them!"

There was plenty of laughter, cheering and good sportsmanship from all children taking part in the races, trying to run and flip their pancake at the same time. A special thank you to our on-side sport coach, Mike, for organising and setting up each race.

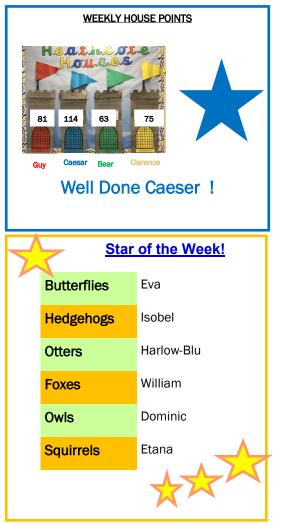
A special welcome to Tahani and her family who joined Butterflies on Monday. We hope you have had a great first week and are looking forward to some of the exciting activities we've got planned around school this half term - Science week, Maths Everywhere day, Shakespeare week, the Big Sing concert, the Friends Easter Tea Party, Easter hat parade, and the Year 1 and Year 2 Spring play. Next Thursday I look forward to seeing wizards' wands and witches' hats, bunny ears and fox whiskers, stripy hats, talking umbrellas, Cheshire grins and adventurers as World Book day descends on Heathcote.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go" Dr Seuess

Have a wonderful extra day tomorrow (29th February!) Mrs Abernethy

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# Spotlight on Excellence



#### RECEPTION

This week the Hedgehogs and Butterflies have started a new topic all about animals. We have been talking about what pets we have at home and we love playing in our new vets role play area. We have painted pictures of our pets and have written captions for dog agility pictures. In maths we have been learning how to share qualities into equal groups and how to count in 2s. We had lots of fun on Tuesday taking part in pancake races!



#### YEAR 1

This week in year 1 we have started our new topic – Enchanted Woodland! We have started to learn all about plants and how they grow. Each child planted a Sweet Pea and predicted what it might look like in a few weeks. Children have also been exploring our new role play area and learning all about what animals and plants they might find if they went on a woodland walk. In addition, each child created an amazing piece of art work which has brought our display to life! What a busy week!







#### **Request for resources**

I run a lunchtime club every day to give those children that sometimes find lunchtimes a little challenging somewhere else to have a more relaxed, quieter break and return for afternoon learning in a more positive, calm manner.

However, we are desperately short of resources and would like to see if our generous Heathcote parents can help! We have plenty of books and jigsaws, we are really looking for things like dolls and dolls clothes, action figures (large or small), cutters for playdough, beads for bracelet making, easy or quick board games (we only meet for half an hour), craft items, paper, and the list could go on! I am also going to try and fundraise for a Sylvanian family dolls house and furniture so if you know of anyone selling one could you let me know? If you feel you have something to donate, pop it into the office and thank you in advance!

Mrs Ribbands



## **Friends of Heathcote**

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

**'friendsofheathcoteps@gmail.com** Thank you to everyone who was able to make the Family Race Night last term. All support greatly appreciated. It time to start planning the next event, the Easter Tea Party! This has previously been a popular event, probably because it's a good excuse for a cuppa, a chat and lots of yummy cake. The date for your diary is <u>Friday 3rd April 2pm-4pm</u> and due to limited space in the hall, will be a ticket only event. The next gathering for the Friends is Monday 16th March at 7.30pm at Heathcote Inn. Everyone is welcome, the more the merrier, come and see how you can help. We are still looking for a social media whizz to help promote our events.

Academic Year 2020			
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day Dress up as character		
Tuesday 17th March	Parent Consultation		
Wednesday 18th March	Parent Consultation		
Friday 27th March	Year 2 Maths Workshop 2pm		
Thursday 2nd April	KS1 Spring Play 9.30am and 5.30pm (Details to follow)		
Friday 3rd April	<b>No</b> Teacher Training— children in school		
Friday 3rd April	Easter Tea Party 2-4pm (Friends)		
6th April—17th April	Easter Holiday		
Friday 8th May	May Bank Holiday		
25th May—29th May	Half Term Holiday		
Monday 1st June	Teacher Training Day		
Friday 19th June	Teacher Training Day		
Friday 17th July	End of Term		

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

WORLD BOOK DAY MENU—THURSDAY 5TH MARCH

Amelia Fangs' Organic Pork Meatballs with Tangy Tomato Gravy and Bookworm Gang Noodles

(V) Dog Man Hot Dog with Supertato Potato Wedges

Evil Peas or Baked Beans

#### PARENT CONSULTATION APPOINTMENTS

Tuesday 17th March 3.30pm—6pm Wednesday 18th March 4pm—6.30pm

Please book your appointments before Monday 16th March,

bookings close at 8am