



Heartsease
Primary Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had another wonderful week at Heartsease. Book Week and World Book Day were a roaring success; the children's costumes for the vocabulary parade were incredible!

All this week, we have also been reminding the children about washing their hands throughout the day – and singing happy birthday twice as they do. We hope that encouraging this will reduce the spread of illnesses throughout the school, particularly with the latest news.

Please find latest news and dates for your information.

As always, thank you for your support.

Alex Burrell

Headteacher

Latest news:



Sport Relief 2020

March 13th is Sport Relief day and children can wear P.E. kit or dress as their favourite sports person. There is a minimum of a £1 donation and this can be paid via parentpay and everything raised is going towards the relief of poverty.

The school is also collecting good quality unwanted sportswear and equipment that will be donated to Sport Relief. This can be dropped off at the school office.



Heartsease Heathy Living 2 - Vote for Heartsease Primary Academy Healthy Eating Workshops!!

Calling all parents/carers it's time to have your say on which activities you'd most like to get involved in, to help get healthy and active this year! There is a leaflet coming home with your children which you can fill in and post them in the box in the school foyer or one of the other places listed on the leaflet. You can also vote on line at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RJ2BW78> Voting closes Tuesday 31st March.

Old Pens and Biscuit Wrappers wanted!

The eco-council are supporting the Friends of Heartsease Primary to raise money for the school and help the environment. We are collecting old pens and biscuit wrappers. There are boxes in the foyer by the main reception (under the window) and in the school library. Please look at the pictures on the boxes so you know

which is for pens and which is for wrappers. Remember, the school continues to collect batteries that no longer work. The collection point is also in the foyer.

Get Active Roadshow

The school wants parents/carers and children of KS2 to get involved in travelling to school in a more active way. So why not bring your bikes, scooters and training shoes and join us at 'Get Active' week events (these are free) throughout the week beginning 16th March. There will be sessions that will include Bike Checks with Dr Bike, a Road Safety Run-around Quiz, Bike, Walk, Scoot and cycling sessions. A letter will be going out to KS2 parents so that you can sign up to the sessions. We recommend signing up for which sessions you are interested in, so we can make sure we can fit everyone in.

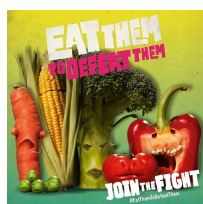
Please remember If attending a cycling session, it is compulsory to wear a bike helmet.



Plant to Plate Gardening Project

To be in with a chance of winning a share of £10,000 worth of gardening products and kits, the School is still collecting tokens for the Plant to Plate gardening project. Tokens will be printed every day in the Eastern Daily Press and Norwich Evening

News until 27th March 2020. 10 additional tokens will be printed in the Eastern Daily Press and the Norwich Evening News on Friday 13th March, Saturday 21st March and Tuesday 24th March. These tokens will also be printed in the Great Yarmouth Mercury, Lowestoft Journal, Beccles & Bungay Journal, North Norfolk News and Dereham and Fakenham Times. Please bring your tokens in and pop them in the Plant to Plate collection box in the office.



VegPower 'Eat Them To Defeat Them' campaign. One-third of primary school children in the UK are overweight or obese and one of the simple things that can be help with this is for children to eat more vegetables. This six-week campaign is aimed at children to encourage them to eat at least one portion of vegetables a day with

the idea that the only way to get rid of vegetables is to eat them! Veg of the week is SWEETCORN!

Uniform

Parents/carers are reminded that dip dyed hair is not part of the school uniform.

Increasing numbers of children are forgetting their PE kit, parents/carers are reminded that PE is not optional and is an important part of the school curriculum. Please note the following:

- KS1 children will be given detention if they forget their PE kit three times.
- KS2 children will be given detention if they forget their PE kit twice.

Please ensure that all PE kit is labelled with the name of the child.

Headlice

We have a number of headlice cases in the school. Can you please check the head of your child and treat accordingly. If you are unsure of what treatment to use please speak to your local pharmacist. Thank you for your cooperation.

Swimming

We are still looking for parents/carers to help with afternoon swimming. If you can help please come and see Mrs Parnell or Mrs Savage in the office.

School Meals

Just a reminder next Mondays (9th) hot lunch will be tuna pasta bake and Tuesday (10th) will be chilli with steamed rice. If you would like to order these meals for your child please just order the hot lunch.

We continue to have occasions recently where parents/carers have not put their order in for school meals. Can you please ensure that this is done by **9am** on each school day so that your child has the right meal. Please note that for Year 3 and above the office cannot order meals.

Parking and Vehicles in the School Car Park

Only parents/carers who have a school parking permit are allowed to enter the school car park (these are only issued on medical grounds, and with prior authorisation from the Headteacher) – everyone else should park well away from the school entrances. Please ensure the main entrance is left clear and that the safety of pedestrians is considered at all times. Only those with a disabled permit should be parking in the disabled bay. **Can parents please be reminded that under no circumstances are scooters and bikes to be ridden on school premises at any time.**

Scooters/Bikes

Despite constant reminders scooters/bikes are still being ridden on school premises. **Under no circumstances** are scooters and bikes to be ridden on school premises at any time.

Whirlpool Washing Machine Recall

Please see attached letter from Whirlpool about the recall of certain models of Hotpoint and Indesit washing machines purchased since 2014. You can check instantly if your washing machine is affected by visiting washingmachinerecall.whirlpool.co.uk or by calling their freephone hotline 0800 316 1442.

Emails – please check

Please ensure you check your emails regularly. We are now sending newsletters and a lot of our correspondence via email only to save on our paper usage. These have dates and deadlines which you need to be aware of. The website will also have copies of newsletters on for your information.

Cold Weather



Please make sure your child wears a warm coat (named), hat and gloves to school. If your child wears boots to school

please send shoes in for them to change into – **pupils should not be wearing boots while in school.** If we do experience severe snow / ice resulting in hazardous conditions, we may have to take the decision to close the school. You can find the information you need from the following sources: text received from the school office, school website, NCC Closure Website:

<http://www.schoolclosures.norfolk.gov.uk/>, or BBC Radio Norfolk. Please do not telephone the school, as the phone lines may be needed. Even if the school is open, you may decide at the start of the day that the journey into school is not safe for your child/children. Please can you phone the school to report the absence in the usual way. The school will always remain open whenever possible. We will only close on health and safety grounds, e.g. no heating, no running water, insufficient staff to supervise the students or if the site is not safe.

Dogs on School Premises

Parents/carers are reminded that **under no** circumstances are dogs allowed on school premises.

Contact Details - IMPORTANT

In case of emergencies we must have at least 2 different contact details for each child. Please drop a note into the office if you need to update any telephone numbers. In case of medical or any other emergency we must be able to get hold of someone straight away.

Updated Coronavirus Advice

There continues to be much in the news about the coronavirus so here is a reminder on tips that children and parents/carers can follow to keep you and your family safe. If you follow the below rules it will protect you and your family from almost all germs:

Always carry tissues and use them to catch a sneeze or a cough.

- Get rid of the tissue as soon as possible and wash hands as soon as possible or use a hand sanitiser gel.
- If you don't have a tissue sneeze into your elbow.

You can find the latest information on the Public Health England blog:

<https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know/>



A fun way to encourage your children to wash their hands for the recommended time of 20 seconds is to get them to sing the Happy Birthday song twice as they are doing it!

Absence/Illness - REMINDER

If your child is off with sickness and/or diarrhoea please remember they must be kept off school for 48 HOURS after the last bout of sickness/diarrhoea.

Upcoming events:

Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th March – SPRING DISCO

Wednesday 1st April – LAST DAY OF TERM

Monday 20th April – BACK TO SCHOOL

Friday 8th May – Bank Holiday

Monday 11th May – Friday 15th May: Year 6 SATs

Friday 22nd May – LAST DAY OF NEXT TERM

Monday 1st June – BACK TO SCHOOL

Head Teachers Award:

Albion

Caitlin

Isi

Chloe

Larissa

Maisie

Layla



This Week's Bees Knees Awards:

Topaz: Roshan, David, Benjamin, Misha

Opal- Mason C

Jade- Rokas

Jasper- Lacey

Diamond - Amanda

Citrine- Finn

Coral- Samantha

Quartz- Theo

Sapphire- Jasmine W

Crystal- Rohl

Onyx- Lennon

Garnet: Mosa, Kailee, Rhylee, Maisie,

Chakib, Mia Amelia, Roshan

Dolomite- Amanda

Emerald- Natasha

Amber- Preston

Aqua- Roman

Athletes of the Week:

Harrison

Zak

Bee Proud:

Lily-Mae - Quartz

Times Tables Rockstars:

Harrison

Jasmine

World Book Day Costume Winners:

Rose-Marie, Katie, Isla, Findlay, Mia-Amelia

Bella, Sammy, Orlagh

Advocates Award:

Millie – Onyx

Mrs Parnell and Mrs Savage

House Points:

170 Griffin

175 Phoenix

240 Dragons

281 Unicorns

Fab Cup: Crystal



These awards are all celebrated at our Celebration Assembly on Fridays. Children come and see Mrs Burrell throughout the week with their good work and are entered into the Bee Proud book. Children receive certificates for their awards and the Bee Proud bee for the week!

**For all the latest news and dates for your diary
please visit our website:
www.heartseaseprimary.co.uk
or follow us on Facebook!**