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**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January**

**RE: NEWSLETTER**

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you are well and you are having a good week. Unfortunately, we have 10 children and 4 staff that have tested positive for COVID-19. I wanted to assure parents/carers, that as a school we are doing everything we can to limit transmission. I have met with Public Health Bolton and they were unable to offer any further controls or procedures that we can put in place.

Once again the Heathfield staff have all pulled together to ensure school continues to run smoothly, despite staff absence.

**Quality education alongside the health and safety of everyone in the Heathfield family remains our priority.**

**RECEPTION and YEAR 1 PARENT PHONIC MEETING**

Reading and teaching children to read is one of the **MOST IMPORTANT things** we do at Heathfield. At Heathfield, reading is not considered a subject but a vital skill that opens up all the other areas of the curriculum.

With this in mind, we have arranged a virtual meeting for Reception and Year 1 Parents to explain how we teach phonics at Heathfield and how you can support your child at home.

**Reception Parent Meeting Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January.**

The Reception parent link has been sent via email and is on Tapestry.

**Year 1 Parent Meeting Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January**

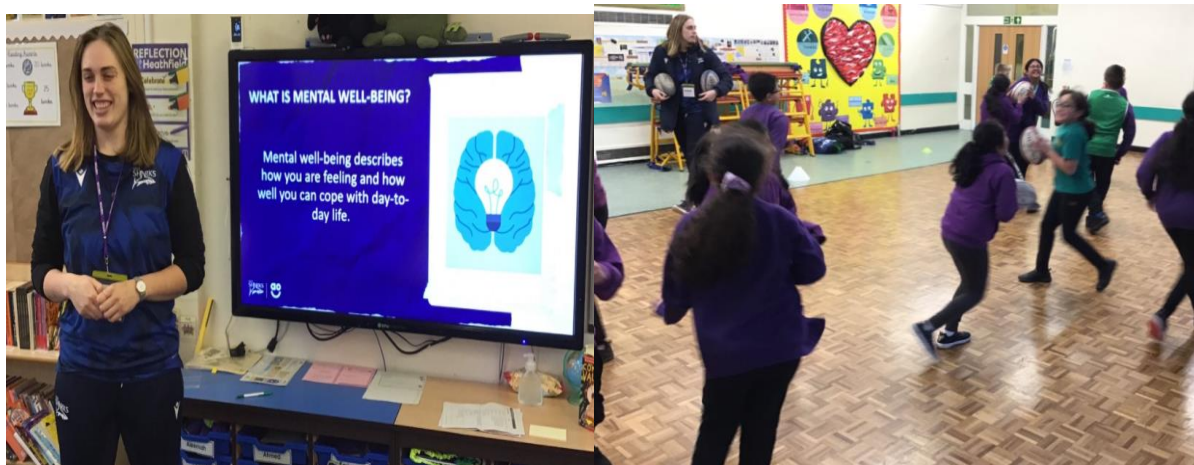
The link for the Year 1 event will be sent out next week.

If you are unable to make this time, please do get in touch via [parents@](mailto:parents@heathfield.bolton.sch.uk) and we arrange for the PowerPoint to be sent to you and/or a time to meet with the phonics lead.



## YEAR 5 SALE SHARKS POSITIVE MENTAL HEALTH AND

This week Year 5 started a five week project with Sale Sharks to develop their physical and mental health by combining positive mental health and resilience through Tag rugby. The classroom sessions focus on different areas of mental wellbeing and resilience and the physical develop key ABC skills (agility, balance and coordination) that are integral to many sports.



## YEAR 4 VISIT THE OCTOGAN THEATRE

Linked to their Big Question, Year 4 went to the Octagon theatre to learn about and act out different Greek Myths. The children represented Heathfield extremely well and enjoyed the day.





### EARLY YEARS MUSIC PROJECT

Over the next 4 half terms, Early Years children will be working with Bolton Music service to learn about rhythm, pulse and pitch. Early Years parents can see the videos on Tapestry. (Apologies for the poor quality photographs – they are screen shots from videos!)



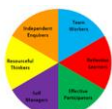
### PARENT GOVERNOR WANTED

We are looking for a parent governor to join the Heathfield Governing Board. As a parent governor you will be able to support and challenge the Heathfield Leadership team and be part of the strategic plans to make Heathfield the best school in Bolton and beyond!

If you are interested or would like to find out more, please email

[parents@heathfield.bolton.sch.uk](mailto:parents@heathfield.bolton.sch.uk)

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During the autumn term we did really well to not get into further debt with HOOSC and even managed to pay back some of the deficit! We cannot thank you enough for your support.

**Before & After School Club**  
**All sessions payable in advance via Parentpay**

**Mornings** 8.00am – 8.55am  
**Afternoons** 3.15pm – 6.00pm Monday-Thursday  
 3.15pm – 5.30pm Friday

For parents opting for full time wraparound care

Morning sessions/ full week	£16.50 (saving £2.25/week)
Afternoon sessions/ full week	£36 (saving £2.75/week)
Full week of morning and afternoons	£50 (saving £7.50/week)

For parents needing individual sessions you can choose from a selection of morning and afternoons as needed

Morning session	8.00 - 9.00am	£3.75
Morning session (single sessions)	8.30 - 9.00am	£2.00
Morning session (all week)	8.30 – 9.00am	£8.00
After school session (includes snack)	3.15 - 6.00pm	£7.75
After school session (1 hr only)	3.15 – 4.15pm	£4.0

<b>Tuesday 3.15-4.15pm</b>	<b>£4.00</b>
<b>Friday 3.15-4.45pm</b>	<b>£4.00</b>

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Thank you to all parents/carers who get their child/ren in school every day and on time. Despite our effective remote learning offer, children have missed so much education it is so important that children are in school each day. The routine not only benefits their learning but also benefits them socially and emotionally. Thank you.



## KEY DATES

**THURSDAY 13<sup>th</sup> JANUARY** Reception Parent/carer phonic virtual meeting 5PM

**FRIDAY 14<sup>th</sup> JANUARY** Pause and Reflect day (No new learning – consolidation)

**TUESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY** Year 1 Parent/carer phonic virtual meeting 5PM (Link will be sent via email)

**WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JANUARY** Class group photographs

**FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY** Cuppa T with Mr. T

**Yours sincerely, Mr. M D Thornley**

**Headteacher**

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