



## Heaton Park News Letter Spring Term 2017

### Some Dates

2nd March World Book Day. Come as your favourite book character.

29<sup>th</sup> March is our spring Parents Evening. More details to follow.

31<sup>st</sup> March we finish for the Easter holiday

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April we return for the start of the summer term.

### Maths Parent Workshops

Later this term you will be invited into school to come and experience mathematics with your children. Details will be sent in due course via your children's classes. As you may be aware there have been many changes to the mathematics curriculum of recent and we would like you to come and find out what this has meant for your children. So please look out for the dates for our maths workshops and please do your best to come along.

### Parking And Dropping Off Outside School

This is yet another plea to think about parking and dropping off your children outside of school. Of recent times we have witnessed:

- Cars being parked on the pavements and on the zigzag lines.
- Driving on to the pavements when our children and parents are walking to school
- Stopping on the road outside school to let children out unaccompanied, and including on the road side
- Reversing in the road to turn around and onto the pavement
- Parking in front of our neighbours drive ways.

None of this is necessary and surely there can be no excuses at all for putting the lives of others at risk. Please think about your actions and give yourself time to park safely and ensure everyone stays safe.

### Dinner Monies and Packed Lunches

Just a reminder that dinner money must be sent in on a Monday in an envelope with your children's name and class on the front. We cannot accept payment at the office. We are in the process of investigating an electronic payment system and will give you information in due course.

Please also ensure that all arrears are paid as soon as possible. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

### Money and Charity Appeals

Your donations at our Christmas fair and Concerts raised £1400 for school fund. This money will go towards subsidising school visits and buying other resources for our children.

The Poppy Appeal raised £323 for the British Legion.

Miss Taylor's valentines raffle also raised £165 for school fund.

The book fair raised £250 commission for school to spend on books.

### School Gardens

We are looking for anyone who is a keen gardener to come and help maintain and develop our children's gardens. We have wild life areas, a pond, raised beds and a wild flower area all of which we try to maintain with the children and as part of Heaton Park University. We would however love some greater expertise to come and support us with developing these areas further. Please if you or someone you know might have an hour or two each week or whatever time you could spare please let us know at school.

### Support with Reading

We are always looking for volunteers to come into school to read with our children and would very much appreciate your support. We understand that you may not be able to commit to a regular day or time but we would hopefully be able to work around your suggestions. If you are interested please contact Mrs Brignall.

### School Office

As you will all be aware Mrs Grover left our school at the end of the autumn term after many years of service to our school and has been replaced by our new office manager Mrs Southern and at present is aided by Mrs Wulff.

### Arrival at School on Time

The number of late arrivals at school is still a bit of a cause for concern. Please set off in good time to get your children to school for the start of the day at 8.55pm.

### School Holiday Pattern

You should also receive a copy of our holiday pattern for 2017-2018.

### School Website

Please take time to enjoy our school website. It is full of useful and interesting information about school and what your child maybe doing in class.

**[www.heatonparkprimary.co.uk](http://www.heatonparkprimary.co.uk)**