

Hatfield Heath Primary School Newsletter

"Learners today, leaders tomorrow"

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Hello there,

This week we have been throwing ourselves into Reading as the children enjoyed World Book Day .

The children have taken part in training for rugby ready for our tournaments and have run in the schools cross-country in the finals at Southend.

The image on the right was created at lunch time by the children. I thought that it looked beautiful and wanted to share it!



Meetings for Parents about National Tests

On Thursday 12th March the teachers from Year 4 will be talking to parents about the Yr 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check.

Come along and see how you can help your child and what the tests will look like.

Cross Country Successes

An amazing day at the cross country as 48 runners from Hatfield Heath took part in the Harlow Schools Qualifiers. Over 20 schools took part, with over 100 runners in each race. The top 3 individual runners qualified for the Essex Finals in Southend, as well as the top placed team in each category. All were superb. Year 3 girls team secured Bronze medals, and the Year 3 boys team took Gold, with Alfie finishing 2nd. In year 4 the boys took Silver medal, and Lila's 3rd place helped the girls team take Gold overall. In Year 5, Mabel secured a 3rd place finish, with the girls team taking Silver overall, and in Year 6 Betty (once again!) took first place.

This week we focused on all of the Heath Values.

We focused on Reading this week and talked about Going All In. Mrs Wix Shared her 'River of Reading during assembly and why books meant such a lot to her. We talked about how reading captures all the values. Well done to these amazing children who have done so well!



World Book Day 2026

We took up the challenge of being adjectives in our costumes!

We were stripy, hairy, fragile, powerful, sparkly, magical and many other describing words. Thank you for making such an effort with costumes. Apparently, it was the first time everyone had managed to wear one!



Upcoming Dates

12.3.26 Year 4 MTC check parents meeting 9.15am

13.3.26 PFA – Mother's Day room

18.3.26 Rocksteady concert

19.3.26 and 20.3.26- Bikeability -Group 1

23.3.26-25.3.26 Bikeability Group 2

24.3.26 Music Tuition Assembly

27.3.26 PFA – Easter Egg Hunt- After School

Easter Holidays- 28th March -12th April



We will be going orange on Friday!

We will be raising money for Myeloma UK and our House Captains have asked for this day to raise money for a charity close to the school's heart. Please send your child in orange, even if it's a baseball cap, ribbon or socks! We are asking a £1.00 donation which will be on MCAS. This will allow the House Captains to buy items for an orange stall.

Myeloma, also known as multiple myeloma, is a blood cancer arising from plasma cells. At any one time there are over 33,000 people living with myeloma in the UK.

Attendance

Thank you so much for all of your efforts to get your child into school every day and on time. I thought that you might be interested to consider how many hours of learning are lost through poor attendance.

Please have a look at the attached poster.

Check your child's attendance on MCAS and see how they are doing.

Overall attendance from September until now: 96.8% (0.0%)

Year 1	96.7% (-0.1)
Year 2	95.8% (+0.1)
Year 3	97.4% (+0.1)
Year 4	96.8% (-0.1)
Year 5	97.2% (0.0)
Year 6	96.9% (+0.2)

Categorising attendance and learning hours lost

Descriptor	Threshold attendance	Actual attendance (days)	Whole days absent	Lost learning hours	Level of concern
Excellent	100%	190	0	0	Green
	99%	188	2	10	
Good	98%	186	4	20	Green
	97%	184	6	30	
	96%	182.5	7.5	37.5	
Cause for concern	95%	180.5	9.5	47.5	Orange
	94%	179	11	55	
	93%	177	13	65	
	92%	175	15	75	
	91%	173	17	85	
Unsatisfactory	90%	171	19	95	Red
	89%	169	21	105	
	88%	167	23	115	
	87%	165	25	125	
	86%	163	27	135	
	85%	161.5	28.5	142.5	
Critical	84%	159.5	30.5	152.5	Red
	83%	158	32	160	
	82%	156	34	170	
	81%	154	36	180	
	80%	152	38	190	

Supporting Families

From time to time, families need some support with parenting and understanding the child's needs. Here are some useful links that may assist you.

[SPACE - Supporting Parents and Carers in Essex | Essex Local Offer](#) - SPACE is a free, parent to parent service, offering 1 to 1 support and online group sessions, run by peer educators - all are parent carers with lived experience.

[Parent4Parent \(P4P\) | Essex Local Offer](#) - A support group in Uttlesford for parents and carers of children aged 0 to 25 who have social communication difficulties.