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*"A good school at the heart of the community"*

5<sup>th</sup> November 2015

Dear parents, carers, families and friends,

This is our last paper newsletter for a while! As we mentioned in last week's newsletter, we've taken up a parent's suggestion that we save money, paper and the environment (a little) by **sharing our newsletters online**. From next week, that's what we'll be doing – we'll send out a text each Thursday to remind you that that's where the newsletter is. If you're signed up to the school website, you'll already be getting an email to tell you when something new has been put on there, but we'll text as well for the next few weeks to remind everyone.

Talking of reminders... if we haven't already had your **signed permission forms** through for photos, acceptable use of computers etc, this is now urgent. Please drop into the office to ask for more if your forms are in A Safe Place and now hard to find! If we don't have these forms, your permission has effectively been withheld.

More reminders... if you've had a letter from me (or if you get a letter from me!) about **Marvellous Me**, please do return the signed form so that I can send the photo of your very proud child to you! Again, without the signed form, your permission has effectively been withheld.

This week in assemblies, the children and I have been talking about behaviour again – they're resoundingly of the opinion that, following our review together at the end of last term and the start of this term, behaviour in school has improved hugely (from a very good starting point) and is now brilliant! ☺ The governors approved our reviewed **behaviour policy** at our last meeting and the policy is on the website – we've refocused in a very positive way that the children are responding to extremely well. We expect all behaviour to be superb and all children to follow our five key school rules, and the children are aware of the consequences of poor behaviour choices. The five school rules are:

- ✓ We always try hard, do our best and never give up
- ✓ We respect each other, our school and our belongings
- ✓ We are kind, caring and honest
- ✓ We keep our hands, feet and unkind words to ourselves
- ✓ We let everyone learn and enjoy their day

**Staffing** – sad to say, today is Miss Loveitt's last day with us in Adventurers. She joined us as a HLTA in September but has missed full time teaching a lot and is going to be taking up a class teacher's role again in another school. She's been great and we'll miss her.

**Dress Down Day tomorrow** and **Dress Up Day tomorrow** – all in aid of good causes! PTA Hamper Contributions tomorrow, please, and Children in Need next week, when children will be asked to **dress up as their hero** ☺

Last of all – we've put some photos of our '**Respect**' letters - worked on by all of the children and arising from all of our assembly work on British Values - onto the other side of this letter and onto the school website. The originals are now on display in the School Development Support Agency training centre in Leicester – a big honour for the school!

*Ms Harrison and the staff of Heather Primary School*





## Calendar dates

Children in Need day	13 <sup>th</sup> November 2015
Dress Down day (bring a bottle)	27 <sup>th</sup> November 2015
School Christmas Fete	27 <sup>th</sup> November 2015
Voyagers + Year 2 Christmas Performance	7 <sup>th</sup> December at 4.00pm
Voyagers + Year 2 Christmas Performance	8 <sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm
Discoverers Christmas Performance	8 <sup>th</sup> December at 4.00pm
Discoverers Performance	9 <sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm
Explorers + Adventurers Christmas Performance	10 <sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm
Explorers + Adventurers Christmas Performance	11 <sup>th</sup> December at 10.00am
Pantomime Trip	17 <sup>th</sup> December 2015
Christmas Carol Service	16 <sup>th</sup> December 2015
School Closes	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2015
School re-opens	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2016
Open Evening	3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2016
Parents Evenings	8 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2016
Half Term	15 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2016
School closes	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2016
School opens	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2016
May Day	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2016
Half Term	30 <sup>th</sup> May – 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2016
Sports Day (1 <sup>st</sup> Choice)	10 <sup>th</sup> June 2016
Sports Day (2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice)	17 <sup>th</sup> June 2016
Reports Out	1 <sup>st</sup> July 2016
Parents open evening to discuss reports	6 <sup>th</sup> July 2016
School Closes	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2016
School re-opens	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> August 2016

