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

## Newsletter – Thursday 7th July 2016

Dear parents, carers, families and friends,

Another fantastically busy week! As I write this, most of our Year 6 children are visiting their new secondary schools and we're looking forward to hearing all about how it went when they come back on Monday. Our Year 5 children had a very positive 'taster day' visit to Ibstock Community College yesterday (Wednesday) and some of our Year 4 children were invited to a Minecraft Morning at Woodstone Primary School yesterday too.

As you know, the whole school went to Sence Valley for an amazing adventure last Friday. Many thanks to everyone who was part of making this work so well!

Some soundbites about the day:

*It was fun. I learned: how to take pictures with the iPad; how to make a den; more about the qualities of materials.*

*It was quite fun helping the little ones – my friend was an uncle and I was a grandad.*

*It was fun - the best bit was when we walked through the wood bit.*

*We learned about using maps and a compass.*



As always, if you have any questions, comments, concerns or compliments, please do let us know. We're always glad to hear from you.

Ms Harrison and the staff of Heather Primary School



**The Big Friendly Read...For Grown-ups**

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 SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2016  
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We know how many grown-ups love Roald Dahl stories and this is especially for them to join in The Big Friendly Read.

Join in by reading any 6 books during the challenge either with your children or by yourself. Record them above to show us what you read and what your thought of it.

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**The Big Friendly Read... for grown-ups!**

If you'd like to take part in a reading challenge this summer, you might enjoy the Big Friendly Read – the form is on the school website, ready for you to print out! 😊

**A letter from Miss Turner**

**Dear Parents,**

**If you have any unwanted role play toys for our home corner (e.g. toy microwaves, ovens, irons, vacuums, play food, dolls, baby baths or costumes) we would be very grateful if you could kindly donate them to our Foundation class. They would be going to a very good home.**

**Many thanks,**

**Miss Turner and Miss Ralston**

**A message from Heather Parish Council 😊**

There is a presentation event on Friday 8th July at 5.30pm at the Village Hall for all children under 16 years of age who live in Heather for the Queens 90th Birthday. Any staff and parents who would like to attend would be welcome.

**End of term tidy up and footballs (and other things!)**

**We're in the middle of a big end of term tidy up on the field and in the different outdoor areas. The children have agreed that now would not be a good time to bring in their own footballs and risk them going astray, getting tidied up in the wrong place etc. For the moment, then, we've asked them to keep such precious things at home – each class has a shared ball to play with and keep track of as a class in the meantime. Thank you.**

