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"A good school at the heart of the community"

Newsletter – 24.3.16

Dear parents, carers, families and friends,

Merry Easter, on this last day of the Spring term. I thought you'd enjoy seeing the Easter chicks that the Explorers have made this week! We've also 'tweeted' the photo, which is then automatically added to the embedded stream on our website (I do hope that sentence made sense!). You can sign up for updates on the website or follow us on Twitter now - @HeatherPrimary.

Many thanks to those of you who have already responded to our parents' 'vision' survey - the link to the online survey is still on the homepage of the school website, and will be until the end of April. One of the responses we've already had took the opportunity to ask about the red slips that come home. I thought I'd take this opportunity to pick up on this in today's newsletter. Please see the 'red slip' box on the next page!

In the meantime, we wish you all a warm and peaceful Easter break and look forward to seeing everyone again on Monday 11th April.

Best wishes,

Ms Harrison and the staff of Heather Primary School



DRAGON'S DEN MEETS THE PIONEERS CLASS!

As I write this, the Pioneers are presenting their fantastic business ideas to a panel of Dragons (made up of Governors and regular visitors to the school). It was a pleasure to join the children as they rehearsed their presentations this morning – so organised, committed and business-like!



RED SLIPS

In days gone by, we didn't send nearly so many red slips home - the reason this changed was not because there started to be more accidents (you'll be relieved to hear!) but because parents asked us to send home a note to let them know if anything at all happened during the day, even very minor things so that they were aware. We are happy to do this to support all our parents and families and especially those using After-School Club, who can't be there at the end of the school day to talk to the teacher in person.

Most red slips go home for the smallest of bumps and scrapes, as well as the few that come home to let families know about bumped heads. Sometimes we'll send home a red slip when a child comes in and says they've had a bump - even if no one else saw it happen and there's no mark at all to be seen. We'd rather err on the side of caution and let you know, just in case, and we want to do what parents have said they'd find helpful.

I'd be really interested to hear your thoughts on this - as always, if you have any comments, questions or concerns, just let us know so we have a chance to work with you in addressing them.

SWIMMING

Swimming letters went home yesterday to children in Years 4, 5 & 6 for sessions starting after the Easter Break. The first session will be on Thursday 14th April and additional letters will be available after the Easter break if yours goes for an Easter wander!



Don't forget...

The next school term begins on Monday 11th April 2016, with the school doors opening at 8.45am, as usual 😊