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"A good school at the heart of the community"

Newsletter – Friday 9th September 2016

Dear parents, carers, families and friends,

We hope you're all enjoying the sunny weather this week - lots of the children have come in ready to stay safe in the sun with **sunhats, sun cream and bottles of water** to stay hydrated. It helps your children to stay comfortable through the day if they come in prepared like this, so please keep these things as part of your morning routine while the weather is so hot.

The Local Authority has asked us to remind parents of the legal situation around unauthorised absences from school, as follows:

The School and its staff regard the regular attendance of children at school as being vital to each child's education and development. It is for this reason that non attendances (however short or infrequent) are treated seriously. It remains the policy of the school to only sanction non-attendance during term time in exceptional circumstances. If your child has unauthorised leave of absence you may either be issued with a Penalty Notice of £120 per parent per child (discounted to £60 if paid within 21 days), or, your case could be referred by the Local Authority directly to the Magistrates' Court for the purposes of a criminal prosecution.

It's important to remember that good attendance is 96%+ attendance with no unauthorised absences.

Last week, all of our classes beat the school target of 97.6% - well done! :)

We've included some advice about supporting children in staying safe online - hope it's helpful. A reminder that there's lots of good advice on our school website, under the 'Useful Links' tab.

As always, if you have any questions, comments, compliments or concerns, please let us know straight away. Our children all say that when we know about something, we fix it straight away - if we don't know, we can't do anything!

Best wishes - Ms Harrison and the staff of Heather Primary School



INTERVIEW WITH MISS LAWRENCE – Get to know our newest member of staff! 😊
Miss Lawrence's children asked her all the important questions to find out more about her...

VoWhy did you join our school? I looked round and really liked it and felt I'd fit in – that it was just the right school for me.

What's your favourite... Food? Chocolate **Animal?** – Cat **Car?** – Peugeot **Colour?** – pink or purple **Thing?** Car

Favourite subject – history

When you were younger, what school did you go to? All Saints in Coalville, then Newbridge, then King Edward

Favourite thing in your house? My books – I have lots of books in my house, because I love reading.

Favourite place – Edinburgh – a beautiful place and I love going there.

Favourite creature – butterfly

Favourite Subway food – spicy Italian on cheesy bread with Barbecue sauce.

How old is your dad's cat? – Tig is 11 years old.

What's your favourite kind of plant? A sunflower – I really like them and I've just planted one in the sun in my garden.

Have you ever been to the zoo? Yes, but not for a long, long time.

Are you good at any sports? My favourite sports are either badminton or dancing and Zumba and those kind of things – anything to music.

Do you like swimming? Yes – I really enjoy it and I like going with my sister.

Favourite film – any of the Harry Potter films – they're my favourite books and I could watch them all the time.

How old is your car? It's getting on a bit – 14 years old now.

What's your favourite thing to do? I really like going for a nice walk at the weekend with my dog.

Do you like going to the cinema? Yes – I really enjoy it and try to go at least once a fortnight.

What have you watched at the cinema? The last thing I went to see was the BFG, because I'd read the book a lot when I was little.

Do you like art? Yes – I really enjoy it, especially crafts.

Do you like watching pantomimes? Yes – I really like it. The last one we saw was Snow White.

Do you like watching tv? Yes – I like watching Emmerdale in the evening.

Do you have an ipad? I do have a Samsung tablet but not an iPad.

If you could be anyone in the world or in history, who would you be? Queen Elizabeth.

PTA Important dates for your diary

Halloween disco - Friday 28th October

Christmas Fair - Friday 25th November

Check out our new online safety links on the 'Useful Links' section on the school website – some really useful stuff on there! This week, 'The 5 digital parenting rules that REALLY matter'.