



Heathland School

NEWSLETTER

October 2020



Schools for Success!



Sadiq Khan, the mayor of London, has again celebrated the outstanding performance of Heathland School and Whitefriars School. Both Schools have been recognised AGAIN for the excellent work they do in promoting and supporting excellent progress for all pupils, whatever their starting points. Schools for Success are invited to share their excellent practice with other London schools.

Executive Headteacher Lucy Caswell said “This is the **fourth year running** that our amazing Federation schools have been recognised as Schools for Success. I am so very proud of all of our utterly fabulous teachers and support staff who work so hard to promote inclusion and progress for all our learners. This is also a massive ‘Well done’ to our brilliant children and of course their families; our schools would not work without their positivity and support.”

Value of the month



Unity

- **Coming together as one**
- **Working together**
- **Thanking people**



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Article 13: Your right to have information



Article 29: Your right to become the best that you can be

Values Certificate

Tarini is the Banyan class winner for this month's value of Unity.

Tarini epitomizes absolutely everything about Unity. She is kind and caring to all; shares and includes everyone and has a smile that is so infectious, it makes everyone around her smile too.



School Reading Books



Please can school reading books and library books that were sent home with your child's home learning prior to lockdown be returned to school after half term. They can be given to the class teachers. Thank you



A Brilliant Start in Reception!

Exploring the autumn season – the children have been busy talking about the changes in the environment. They have been looking closely at the autumn treasures they have collected from our garden area and enjoyed painting autumn trees and hedgehogs in the indoor and outdoor creative areas.



Based on our special story of the week, Owl Babies, we have been learning all about owls and other nocturnal animals in Reception.



 Article 29: Your right to learn and go to school

Bamboo Class Year 2



At the end of the day we enjoy sharing a story together. We are discovering lots of new words in the stories that we listen to.



Bamboo class have enjoyed learning more about how the brain works and talking about new ways that we can increase our focus and attention during carpet time.



We have created beautiful rainbows using a variety of materials to decorate our classroom.

Job Vacancies



From time to time we have job opportunities which are advertised on our schools' websites. Please click the 'Staff Vacancies' button on our website for further information on any of our current vacancies or follow this link <http://heathlandwhitefriarsfederation.net/>

Local Parking

We want our local area to be safer and we also want the school and community to be good neighbours! If you drive to school please ensure you park considerately and safely.

Please be considerate of our neighbours and pedestrians and do not block driveways and footpaths. Thank you!



Pupil Councillors



We are very pleased to introduce our Pupil Council for this year. Pupil councils are a way for children to have a greater say over matters that affect their school and wider lives. The Pupil Council gives children the chance to tell teachers and staff their ideas and represent their class in school. It can also help children to feel good about their place in the school community by giving them responsibilities and encourages active citizenship.

Year 2: Phoebe, Jiaan, Vibesha, Mujbil, Devyani and Sajith; Year 3: Aiden, Hridhaan, Caprice, Suraya, Saharsh and Nitketha; Year 4: Jeanie, Boris, Nirman, Kanisha, Ananya and Yaseen; Year 5: Ronen, Shanyah, Bilal, Rayan, Nicholas and Shaneya; Year 6: Ti yana, Zaid, Imran, Davina, Harley and Zahran

RRSA Ambassadors

We also introduce our RRSA Ambassadors. They have been chosen by their class as they demonstrate how to respect their own rights and the rights of others. Their role is to raise awareness of the Rights that we inherited – because not everyone has access to them! This year they will continue change attitudes, take action on local and global issues concerning them and make a difference!

Year 1: Fatimah, Hasitha, Diya, Sophie, Ezaan and Riyadh; **Year 2:** Isabel, Hania, Thusha, Marwaan, Madhi and Dharani; **Year 3:** Thrish, Onnea, Annaya, Aini, Taayami and Vedant; **Year 4:** Zara, Tiffany, Yasmine, Yusuf, Mustafa and Omar; **Year 5:** Yazhavi, Miesha, Parshv, Vaishnavi, Nile and Raul
Year 6 : Mahi, Alham, Sahur, Samand, Teveah-Rose and Riven





Celebrating Black History Month

Sparkleberry have been celebrating Black History this week. They made African tribal necklaces and have been busy singing and drumming.



Interview with Chelsea Footballer, Paul Canoville

This week, Year 5 and Year 6 had a interview with the first black footballer of Chelsea Football Club, Paul Canoville. He did the interview because it is currently black history month.



These are some of the questions he was asked: Where did you go to school? What age did you start playing football? When was your debut and what team was it against? How did you overcome racial abuse? How long was your football career? How are you campaigning against racism now?

It was very interesting to hear what he had to say. He went to school at Beaconsfield Primary and his high school was in Hanwell. At the age of 5 he knew he wanted to become a professional footballer and spent most of his time playing football. He was self-taught and didn't go to any academies. He joined Chelsea at 20 years old and after 4 months he made his first-time debut against Crystal Palace. This was his first professional match and he not only received racial abuse from the away fans but also his own fans. This was not the first time he had heard of racism as his mum (who had come over to England as a 16-year-old girl during the Windrush) had experienced it. She went for a promotion when she was younger but she got turned down because of the colour of her skin. So, his mum quit the job and told Paul to do the same with Chelsea due to the racial abuse. Paul told his mum that it was not Chelsea that was racist but some ignorant people. He has to retire at the age of 25 due to a severe knee injury but this did not stop him from being connected to football. He is now an ambassador and an activist for stamping out racism in football. He has helped promote Black Lives Matter in football and says that Black History Matters as well.

All the children really enjoyed the interview and he explained to them at the end that football was a lovely career but that you need education to back you up. He also said to be resilient and determined in everything you do and to never give up.



By Ashvik, Tiyana and Winston (Year 6)



Nursery Enjoying Autumn Time!



Nursery have now enjoyed four happy and busy weeks playing and learning with new friends. This week they went for an Autumn walk in the school playground. They have been learning songs and poems about leaves and Autumn winds. Children have also been excited to explore pumpkins.



Article 29: Your right to become the best that you can be

Children in Need

In November we will be raising money for 'Children in Need'. Our rights respecting ambassadors have chosen to support this charity for 2020.

On Friday 13th November children can come to school dressed in their favourite pyjamas ready for a day of fun activities.

Please help us raise lots of money for Children in Need. You will find a payment item on Parent Pay for £1 for you to make your contribution.

Thank you!



Keep in Touch!

We know things are very different at the moment and even though our school office is closed to parents there are still ways to contact us.

You can call the school office or send us an email if there is anything you need to let us know. Our contact details are at the bottom of the page.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Diary Dates for November

2nd Pupils return to school
13th Pyjama Day for Children in Need

16th Flu Vaccine
w/c 30th Y2 Phonics Screening

We wish you all a happy Half Term

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