



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Lower Heath Pledge is now underway. School Council launched it in Worship last week and every child will come home this week with their booklet of challenges. Find out more from our website and have fun completing the activities: <https://lowerheath.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2023/01/Lower-Heath-Pledge.pdf>. Our next school council meeting will be on 3rd March where we will start to work on the issues the children have identified.

Mrs Hipkins is now well enough to return to work next week which is great news; she will start her phased return on Monday, building up to being back to full time shortly after half term.

Following an idea from our parent coffee morning, we are pleased to invite all parents in for our first 'drop in' sessions to see their children hard at work in their classes! The children love having you in school so I hope you will be able to join us. You are invited to visit classes from 9-9:30am to see normal class teaching on the following dates:
 6th March – Owl, 13th March – Hummingbird, 14th March – Kingfisher, 15th March – Skylark, 16th March – Robin.

I have been made aware that some parents are not sure about what home learning they should be supporting their children with. This link will take you to our full home learning policy <https://lowerheath.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2023/02/Lower-Heath-Home-Learning-Policy.pdf> but please see below for the 'in a nutshell' expectations for home learning. Your child(ren) should have their Times Table Rock Stars login and KS2 children, Spelling Shed. Please contact your child's class teacher if these have gone astray. Also, there are links to the answers for the Year 5/6 workbooks given in the policy. I hope this helps clarify home learning for everyone.

Thank you to those of you who have shared your views in the reading survey. If you would still like to take part, (it takes about 3 minutes) here is the link:
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=JrQkp8FnXkeoqbxzu3pJLs8A7p5Y5Q9Dkd1ShhIEXTRHtDvVTKFQRUuWMTRPMIZDR05Rvi4u>

Helen Reynolds
Headteacher



Have a great weekend!

CELEBRATION

Happy Birthday to:

Seth who has his birthday this week!



AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to this week's **Headteacher Award winners**, who are:

- Robin Class:** Hunter
- Skylark Class:** Martha and Enid
- Kingfisher Class:** Archie P and Ella-May
- Owl Class:** Harley and Poppy



UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events. Events at a glance:

- **Break up:** 16th February
- **Collaboration Day:** 17th February
- **PD Day:** 27th February
- **Back to school:** 28th February

[Click here](#) to view our term dates.



NEWS

[Click here](#) to view what our children have been up to recently.

	HOME LEARNING ACTIVITIES	TIMING AND FREQUENCY	SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
EYFS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read schoolbook - record on Boom Reader • Letters and graphemes practice • Numberwork – Numbots, number recognition, counting objects, more/less than etc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5-10 minutes daily (or at least 5 times a week) • 5-10 minutes daily • 5-10 minutes daily 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check GoRead at least weekly • Class 'reward' system to encourage regular home learning • Offer support if home learning expectations are not being achieved • Ensure children are given regular opportunities to choose age-appropriate reading books from school • Class system to keep a record of what books children are reading reviewing regularly • Termly class prize for child who reads most/has improved their reading at home • KS2 spelling and times tables tests sent home weekly • Support for families in how to use school systems • Guidance resources accessible on our website
KS1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read schoolbook - record on Boom Reader • Spelling / grapheme practice • Number bonds / times tables practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 minutes daily (or at least 5 times a week) • 5-10 minutes daily • 5-10 minutes daily 	
LKS2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read schoolbook - record on Boom Reader • Spelling practice • Number bonds / times tables practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10-15 minutes daily (or at least 5 times a week) • 5-10 minutes daily • 5-10 minutes daily 	
UKS2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read schoolbook - record on Boom Reader • Spelling practice • Times tables practice • English and Maths workbook activity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15-20 minutes daily (or at least 5 times a week) • 5-10 minutes daily • 5-10 minutes daily • Approximately 30 minutes per week 	

WORSHIP

This half term will focus on our value of Respect.

LOWER HEATH CE PRIMARY SCHOOL - CHRISTIAN VALUES

Respect

"Do to others whatever you would like them to do to you" Matthew 7:12



This week, we will learn that everyone is entitled to their own opinion and we should respect that.



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