

Talking Heads 🕡

Friday, 13th September

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to inform you that we will be going ahead with providing places for two-year-olds in Nursery from 4th November. Mrs Hipkins and Mrs Langer have been diligently preparing for this change through visiting other settings and consulting with the local authority. While there is still a little work to be done, we are confident that everything will be in place to meet our deadline. This addition to our school community will provide valuable early years education and support for our youngest learners. Please share this exciting development with anyone looking for a school or nursery place for their child.

Following the tremendous success of our 'Crafternoons' last year, we're delighted to announce a special Grandparents' Crafternoon on **Tuesday**, **1st October**. This event aligns with Grandparents' Day on 6th October and provides a wonderful opportunity for our pupils to share a story and create a craft item with their grandparents. We extend a warm invitation to all grandparents to join us for this occasion. To cover the cost of resources, there will be a £2 charge per participant. Please book your place through the school office.

This week, we have registered many of our pupils for Nessy Reading and Spelling, a programme designed to support literacy skills development. While we'll be utilising this resource in school, I strongly encourage practise at home to maximise its benefits. You'll find login details in your child's reading diary if they are signed up for Nessy.

Our Tesco grant application is still ongoing, with the voting period closing at the end of September. We're currently in second place for our bid to secure balance bikes for our Early Years Foundation Stage. If you're shopping at Tesco, please consider dropping your tokens into Lower Heath's box to support this initiative.

As the weather becomes more unpredictable, I'd like to echo Mrs Leighton's recent Dojo post regarding outdoor wear. It's essential that all pupils have warm, waterproof coats in school daily. We believe in the benefits of outdoor play and fresh air, so we aim to have outdoor play all weather conditions. If you have any spare coats that you're willing to donate, we'd greatly appreciate them. These will be used for children who occasionally forget their coats, ensuring they don't miss out on valuable outdoor time.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement with our school community. Your involvement plays a crucial role in enhancing our pupils' educational experience and overall well-being.

Headteacher



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Happy Birthday to: No birthdays this week



AWARD WINNERS



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

Todd, Harper T, Eliza P, Nieve



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 25th September: European Day of Languages
- 1st October: Grandparents Crafternoon
- 1st October: Early reading workshop
- 2nd October: KS2 harvest
- 3rd October: EYFS/KS1 Harvest
- 3rd October: UKS2 swimming gala
- 4th October: Lower Heath Open Afternoon
- 5th October: Blackberry Fair
- 18th October: PD Day
- 7th November: Parents' evening
- 21st November: Parents' evening
- 26th November: SATs parents' workshop
- 11th December: EYFS / KS1 Nativity tbc
- 13th December: Christmas Fair

Huge thanks to those of you who have signed up to Easyfundraising. Here are some of the amounts raised from the top six families. We had a **single donation of £22.50** from the AA when a parent signed up for their car- breakdown cover! Amazing! Anything you buy online, please do it through our Easyfundraising page. To sign up, use the QR code or go to: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/

Natalie G	03 Mar 2022	26 Aug 2024	£144.72
Helen R	05 Nov 2022	09 Sep 2024	£139.78
Louise D	21 Nov 2022	31 Aug 2024	£109.32
Sarah A	01 Jul 2015	15 Aug 2024	£100.64
Gemma N	21 Nov 2022	25 Aug 2024	£100.40
Jessica M	07 Mar 2023	03 Sep 2024	£84.40



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This half term, we will be focussing on our Christian Vision – Let your light shine – learning about the links to the bible and how we, as individuals, can follow the Christian example.



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