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THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have thoroughly enjoyed learning about and celebrating Chinese New Year this week. Thank you so much Yang for leading our whole school assembly on it on Monday.

The children in Reception made the most of their Chinese Restaurant and loved the different food they had a chance to taste on Thursday.



Reception

We have linked all the different areas of learning to Chinese New Year this week. We've explored how it's celebrated, written the New Year Story in sequence and can now even write some Chinese characters and phrases. We have loved making lion and dragon puppets and lanterns and can't wait to take our 'Lucky Envelopes' home.

Year 1

We have continued to work on our Solar System information booklets and can't wait to bring them home when we've finished them. We've learned about the value of British coins and notes and hope we can wow you with our knowledge over the weekend. Perhaps we could have some change to buy a piece of fruit, Pokemon Card or dare we say it.... Sweets?!

Year 2

Can you believe we've been designing our own imaginary giant sweets?! It has been really interesting and exciting planning how to make them from papier mache and balloons. We have also been investigating how much sugar goes into our drinks - WOW! We've also started fractions and we'd be really happy to demonstrate how much we've learned sharing a pizza this evening... 😊



Year 3

It has been a really strange but exciting week! A number of people have seen some really unusual sightings of woolly mammoths and we've been using their accounts to help us plan and write some newspaper reports. We've also been researching and designing our Stone Age jewellery. We were SO excited and proud to play out Cellos in a 'Concert' for our parents and Year 2 pupils this week. Mrs Edwards said when we played 'Chasing Cars' she felt pretty emotional... We'd like to say a huge thank you



to Mrs Pattison who visited Year 3 this morning to talk about her role as Press Liaison officer and who helped us with some top tips for writing our newspaper reports. She really inspired the children so thank you!

Watch Us at Work (Years 1-3)

Please come and 'Watch Us at Work' in our classes next Thursday 9th February from 2.30pm - 3.10pm. We would really enjoy showing you round our class and explaining what we do.

Teacher Recruitment

We have been recruiting for our teaching positions in Years 3 and 4 from September 2017. We have had strong applications and are looking forward to interviewing candidates next week.

Sign2Sing

As you know, we have all been working hard learning to Sign and Sing a number of different songs ready for our assembly next week. We are looking to raise money for the charity that supports children and adults who are hearing impaired. If you would like to make a donation please do so via the reply slip at the bottom of the letter that was sent to you in January - donations can be brought into the school office.

On a final note, thank you so much (once again) for your kindness and generosity towards me personally for the celebration of my 50th birthday. Jerry and I thoroughly enjoyed our day out in London - the meal and show were both amazing.



PUPILS OF THE WEEK:

Reception - Freddie, Amelie (RSR) and Harry, Lizzy (RAO)

Year 1 - Frances, Audrey (1CPF) and Elyon, Luke (1VH)

Year 2 - Sammy, Ameya (2AM) and Umar, Said (2HK)

Year 3 - Lucy, Anna (3SW)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 8 th February	Sign2Sing - Special Whole School Assembly at 2.50pm
Thursday 9 th February	Years 1-3 - Work With Us Session 2.30pm - 3.10am
Monday 13 th February to Friday 17 th February	Half-Term
Friday 24 th February	School Disco - arrangements to be confirmed. Reception - 4.00pm - 5.00pm Year 1 - 5.15pm - 6.15pm Year 2 & 3 - 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day
Tuesday 7 th March	Parent Consultations 3.45 - 5.45pm
Thursday 9 th March	Parent Consultations 6.00 - 8.00pm
Monday 13 th March	First Aid Course for parents (Part 1)
Tuesday 14 th March	First Aid Course for parents (Part 2)

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Please read on to page 3 for an update from the PTFA.

PTFA NEWS

Collect Tokens at Waitrose this February!

The Heights has a charity box in Waitrose Caversham this Feb! Each token is money for The Heights.

Ask friends & family to collect too. We have created some posts you can share via social media from the PTFA Facebook page.

Cake Sale

Thursday 9th February, After School

Reception will be hosting the cake sale this half term. If you would like to help or bake, please get in touch with Sally (Vaala's Mum, Year 3): szkochak@gmail.com

Children's Disco

Friday 24th February, The School Hall

Preparations are well underway for this exciting event. The night will be organised as follows:

4.00pm - 5.00pm - 50 places available (only Reception)

5.15pm - 6.15pm - 50 places available (only Year 1)

6.30pm - 7.30pm - 70 places available (only Year 2 and 3)

Due to space constraints, parents will not be able to stay. However, we do need some parent volunteers on the day so if you can help, please email, Liz Spall: elizabethjspall@gmail.com

Ticket Cost - £4.00

You can book online now: <https://theheightsprimary.yapsody.com>

There is an additional admin fee of 40p for each online payment. Anyone who would prefer to pay by cheque or cash can post an envelope into the PTFA postbox – please label very clearly with your child's name, parent's name, class and year and what it's for. Cheques payable to: The Heights Primary PTFA

Bingo / Disco Night

SAVE THE DATE: March 25th, Hemdean House

Why should the kids have all the fun? Start practising your dance moves and get ready for the first ever Heights Bingo/Disco Night. Keep your eyes peeled for further announcements.