



# Newsletter

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## Welcome Back!

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Welcome back to a new school year! I hope you all had a lovely break over the summer and are feeling refreshed and ready for the exciting year ahead. It's been great to have the children back in school and to see how quickly they have settled into their new classes and routines.

A special welcome to our new families with children in our Nursery and Reception classes and to those who have joined us in higher year groups. We're excited to have you as part of our school community and are here to support you as your children begin this exciting journey.

Keep an eye on our newsletters to find out what we are up to in school and for reminders of upcoming events.

Best wishes,  
Miss Rosenberg

## Emotional Literacy

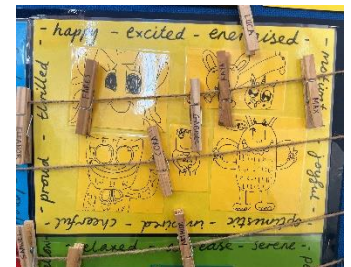
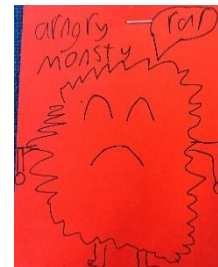


At Heber we truly believe that children learn better when they're happy. The first week of a new term is the perfect opportunity to reset and remind everyone how we teach Emotional Literacy at Heber and how we ensure we are equipping our children to be emotionally intelligent. In classes we have seen fabulous Mood Meters being created and used. It is always so great to see how different the mood meters are and even better when we know that the Mood Meters lead to open discussions about how we are all feeling. The Class Charters have been written and signed by each class emphasising the importance of working together to create the right atmosphere in the room.

Thank you so much to all the parents who attended the workshop this week on Emotional Literacy at Heber. It was lovely to see so many of you there and the feedback was so positive. If you couldn't attend, you will be able to access the slides and the resources on the school website soon.

Parent feedback from the meeting was overwhelmingly positive:

- *That was brilliant, and very eye opening! Will get the chart going at home! Feeling very thankful that we got our son into this school, thank you.*
- *Really clear and informative on how we can help implement RULER at home.*
- *Fantastic workshop and so reassuring to see the effort Heber puts in to making sure the children's emotional wellbeing is prioritised. We're very lucky to have this part of their education to help them through school and life. Now that I have learned more about the approach, I will definitely look to incorporate it in home life too.*





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## Year Group Bulletins

This term's Bulletins are available to view on our website. The Bulletins give detailed information regarding the curriculum that will be taught this term <https://heberprimaryschool.com/learning/year-group-bulletins/>

## Upcoming Meetings/Parent Workshops

We offer a wide range of workshops throughout the course of the school year. If you are unable to attend in person, the presentation and resources will be available on the school website on our [Parent Workshop](#) page.

### Curriculum Meeting

Next week, the teachers will be holding Curriculum Meetings in school. These meetings are a great opportunity to get to know your child's teacher and hear all about the curriculum plans for the year. You will find out more about the day to day running of the class and year group learning expectations. As a reminder the sessions will be held on:

- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September – Years 1 and 5
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September – Years 3 and 6
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September – Years 2 and 4

### Phonics Workshop for Reception Parents

On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00pm, we are holding a Monster Phonics workshop for parents and carers to attend. The workshop will help parents have an understanding of the whole school phonic scheme and introduce ways you can support your child at home with their Reading and Writing development.

If you are interested, please sign up using the following link so that we can know how many people to expect. [Phonics Workshop Google Form](#)

### Key Stage 1 Phonics and Reading Workshop

On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September, Ms Pang (Phonics and Reading Lead), will be holding a meeting for parents of children in Year 1 and 2. The session will answer the following questions:

- What are the key things my child needs to know in relation to their phonics learning this year?
- How can I support my child's phonics and reading development at home?
- How is phonics taught in school? What resources and schemes are used?



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## Science in Key Stage 1

Both Year 1 and 2 have got off to a great start with their new Science topics. The Year 1 children are learning about plants, seasons and weather. The children used the 'working scientifically' skill of identifying, grouping and classifying to sort garden and wild plants. They then designed their own gardens! Year 2 have also been practicing how to identify, group and classify, but in their topic they are learning about living things and their habitats. The children visited the school garden and identified different things there, which they then had to group by whether they were dead, alive or never been alive. You would be surprised by how many things live in our school garden!



## Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who were chosen as the Star of the Week for demonstrating our school values:

1C	Libby	1V	Oscar
2CP	Yusuf	2S	Arielle
3N	Alannah	3W	Oliver
4DL	Seb	4H	Aadam
5B	Sam	5K	Jonas
6A	Molly H	6F	Molly R

## Academic Excellence Awards

In our Merit Assembly we celebrated the successes of a child from each class, who excelled in their learning and produced some outstanding work. Well done to the following children:

1C	Alex	1V	Sofia
2CP	Caleb	2S	Ishmail
3N	Albert	3W	Mania
4DL	Teddy	4H	Hamish
5B	Isla	5K	Malaya
6A	Dorothy	6F	Harrison



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## International Dot Day - 15<sup>th</sup> September

International Dot Day will be celebrated across the globe on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September. The Heber Early Years celebrated the day early by listening to the story 'The Dot' by Peter H. Reynolds. We then learnt about the artist Yayoi Kusama and created our own dot inspired pieces of artwork.



## September

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Enrichment clubs begin Curriculum Meeting – Years 1 and 5 (4:00pm)
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Curriculum Meeting – Years 3 and 6 (4:00pm) Phonics Workshop for Reception Parents (2:00pm) Year 2 and 4 Immersion Day
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Curriculum Meeting – Years 2 and 4 (4:00pm) Year 3 Immersion Day – Stone Age to Iron Age
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	5K at Alleyn's pm – Spanish lessons
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Key Stage 1 Phonics and Reading workshop (9:15am)
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	5K at Alleyn's pm – Spanish lessons

## October

Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	5K at Alleyn's pm – Spanish lessons
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery Immersion Day
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	5K at Alleyn's pm – Spanish lessons
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	School Photography Day – Individual photos.
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Parent workshop – Supporting children with ASD (9:30am)
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Years 3 and 4 swimming lessons at Alleyn's
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Parents' Evening week
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Half Term Holiday</b>	