

# HEYHOUSES NEWS

Newsletter Autumn Term 2022 September

**Welcome Back!** This newsletter was written before the sad news of the death of Queen Elizabeth II.

We have had a busy start to the term and it has been good to see the children enjoying their lessons and playtimes. The children and staff have already shown they are ready for the opportunities and challenges of the new school year. The old Heyhouses 'Buzz of learning' has returned and it is lovely to see. Heyhouses spirit is evident in all the classrooms, in fact the children and staff have been analysing what it is to be a 'Heyhouses Child.' It has been a positive start to the

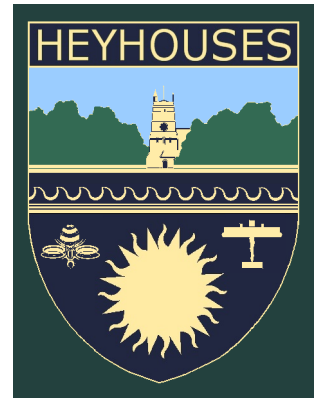
term and we are thankful for each new day.

## And Welcome for the First Time!



September has brought another wonderful group of children to join our school family. Reception New starters are settling in beautifully and the calm atmosphere is a sign of excellent things to come. The children are enthusiastic and inquisitive, we are all enjoying working with them.

Welcome, parents of new starters to the Heyhouses Family, it is a seven year journey which we are pleased to



*"..Many Hands make a House*

*But many Hearts make our School."*

*- Heyhouses School Hymn*



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# Harvest 29th September

The children will all be attending St Annes Parish church on Thursday 29th September to celebrate Harvest.

9:15 a.m. Junior classes

10:30 a.m. Year 1, 2 and Reception classes

Parents are welcome to join us.

The children will lead the services and are already practising their songs.

If you feel able to send your child with a small gift for Harvest the parish have asked for the following:

Toiletries, tins, pasta, rice, fruit and vegetables. Any gift will be gratefully received and will be taken out to members of the parish in need.



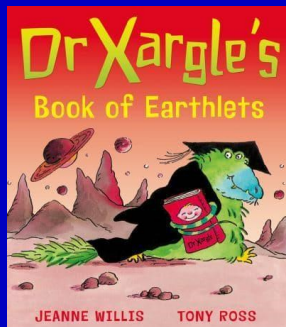
We have been having fun at lunchtimes with the Parachute. Team work at its best!



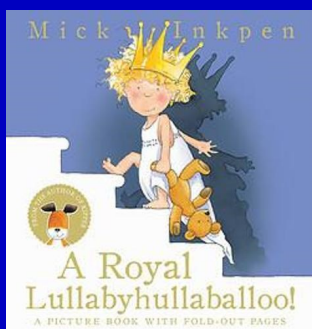


## Good reads

Dr Xargle's Book of Earthlets by Jeanne Willis



Human life told through the unique perspective of Dr Xargle, an alien David Attenborough writing an observational travel guide. There are some hysterical-funny descriptions of eating and babies. Ideal to read to your child – this book is guaranteed to cause fits of the giggles.



A Royal Lullabyhullabaloo by Mick Inkpen

A Little Princess, cannot get to sleep because of a roaring dragon, a clanking knight, and a stomping giant outside her window, until she hears a special lullaby.

## Everyone Reads at Heyhouses!

We value Reading at Heyhouses and it is a vital part of all our lessons. To support the work we do in school we would like all children to read regularly at home. Regular reading, if only for a short time, makes a huge difference. Reading to your child is also shown to have a massive impact on both reading and writing development. The children are never too old for a bedtime story. Re-read some of your favourites from childhood!

By regular reading we suggest at least four times a week, which over seven days we feel is manageable. Some children will read every day once they have got going with this important skill!

This year we are holding events in school to help support you with your child's reading. We are always happy to give you tips on what works well and advice when your child is reluctant to read.

We have purchased a new phonics scheme and new reading books across school. We hope the children enjoy these new books. Please take care of them when they come to your home then all the children can benefit from them..

## Phonics for Reception and Year 1 Parents

THURSDAY 15th SEPTEMBER

Where: Westall Hall, Clarendon Road North

When: 2;30p.m. –3p.m. or

6p.m. –6:30 p.m.



Please come along to one of these sessions to learn more about how we teach Phonics in school and how you can support your child with their learning.

## School Admissions for 2023

Information posters about the 2023 school admissions cycle are displayed in both departments.

Primary and Secondary Applications must be submitted online.

If you wish to apply for Heyhouses Primary School for either a September 2023 or September 2024 start we will be holding an [Information Evening on Thursday 29th September at 6:00p.m.](#) Staff will be able to advise about the process of applying online and there will be the chance to look round school.



**Secondary applications must be made online by October 31st, 2022.**

**Primary applications must be made online by January 15th, 2023**

**Choose Heyhouses!**

**We are friends and we have lots of fun!**





## Future Plans

We have plans to develop the grounds at both the infant site and the main Westall site. There is work booked for October to enhance the Year 1 and 2 playground and also to develop the Wild at Heart area on the school field, the allotments and area around the Pod.

Exciting times are ahead!

## Dates

### Parents Evenings

Wednesday

19th October

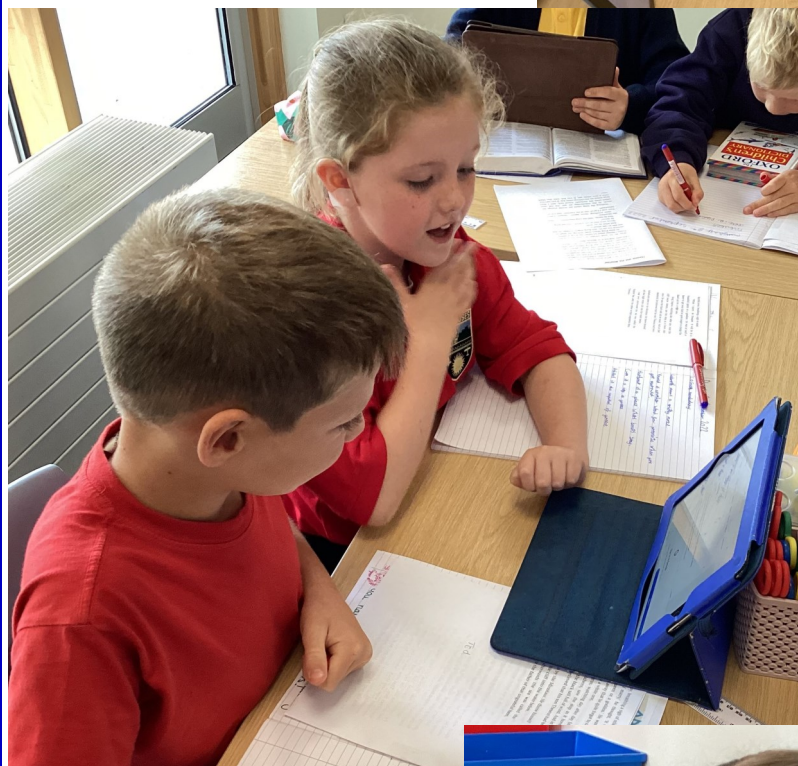
4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Thursday

20th October

2;30p.m. – 5 p.m.

The children are enjoying their new topics. Everyone is working hard, we want to make this another special year



The children are excited to be learning again and have found the start of term a very happy experience.



Mrs Dale Hutchinson, whom many of you know in the infants, is taking on an amazing challenge to fundraise for school. Please support her Just Giving page. They write:

On 14th October we are taking on the Sahara ultra challenge (2 back to back marathons in the desert) to raise money for Heyhouses school. Nicola works at Heyhouses and manages the outdoor resources so the money will be used to create a communication friendly space outside for the children to relax, read and enjoy small group session in an outdoor environment. Any extra money raised will provide additional resources for the outdoor areas at the school. The double marathon distance challenge takes us through the UNESCO World Heritage Draa Valley, across baked rocky trails, through red clay Berber villages, and palmeries, and ultimately down to the sandy dunes of the mighty Sahara. Please support!

 Crowdfunders



Take on the Sahara Ultra Challenge 😊 - to help fund a new outdoor classroom at...

📍 Sahara, Morocco

## Year 6 Meeting

We would like to invite all Year 6 parents to a meeting immediately after school, on Monday 12th September at 3:40 p.m. The meeting will finish by 4:30p.m. The meeting will discuss:

Helping your child in Year 6

Homework expectations and support

Condoover Hall visit

Responsibilities and opportunities in Year 6

Preparing for Secondary School

We do hope as many parents as possible will be able to attend, however, for those who are unable to do so a pack will be issued with some of the information.

## Contact Us

Phone 01253 722014

### Option 1

Sir John Alcock Building  
Years 1 and 2 are in the  
Sir John Alcock Infant  
building

### Option 3

Westall Building

Junior classes and Reception classes are in the Westall building

### Option 5

Breakfast and After  
School Club