

Heron Hill Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs P Merritt
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs M Wilkinson

8th December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Headteacher's Letter

General Messages

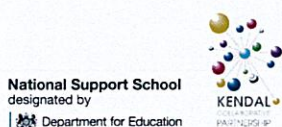
What a wonderful start to the Christmas season! Due to B&Q's generous donations our hall is lit up with a huge Christmas tree and lights this year, thank you B&Q. The hall has been the setting for Year 2's superb 'Lights, Camel, Action' nativity production; the children sang wonderfully and shone brightly. Their afternoon and evening performances were closely followed by our first-ever Year 6 Speech Day where the children spoke very eloquently about things that really mattered to them, e.g. 'Pollution Matters', 'ADHD Matters', 'Football Matters' to name but a few.

Please can I remind you to send children with warm coats and appropriate footwear for this colder weather.

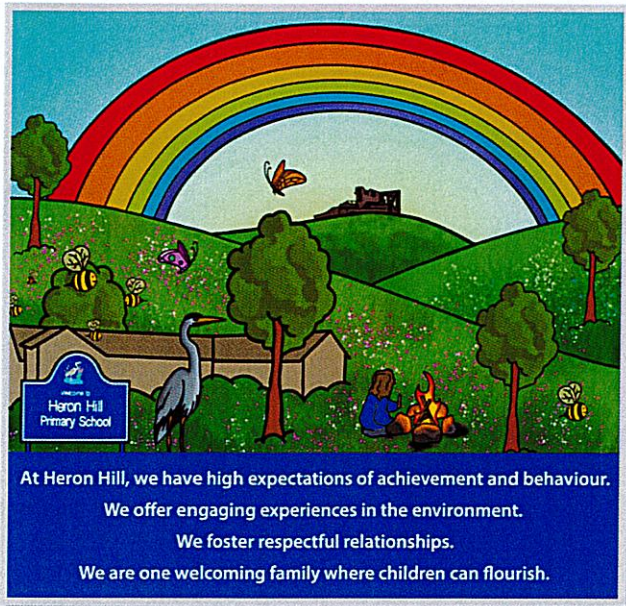
Staffing News

We would like to congratulate Mrs Jones on a successful interview and appointment this week as Temporary Acting Deputy Headteacher. Mrs Jones will take up her post after Christmas, supporting Mrs Wilkinson who will be Acting Headteacher two days per week. Mrs Jones's work as SENCO will continue in harmony with our Pastoral Learning Mentor, Mrs Little. I will start a phased retirement after Christmas so Mrs Wilkinson and I will both be your port of call for any enquiries you may have. The governors have already started the recruitment process for a new Headteacher, who will start in September 2024. We serve a strong school with amazing staff, a clear direction and a supportive community. We will make sure we have a vibrant spring and summer term.

Mr Corrie will join the Year 6 team after Christmas and will also be our new Assistant Headteacher. We will bid a very grateful goodbye to Miss Dando, who has worked tirelessly over autumn term with Year 6. Miss Ashworth will be with us until Easter; she has gained a promotion and will work at Grayrigg School from the summer term onwards.



School's Vision Statement



Thank you so much to all of the parents, carers, grandparents, staff, children and members of the school community who helped us collate ideas for our new vision statement.

It has been published on the Heron Hill website. Click on the image to take you to the website.

I am sure you will recognise some of the wording resonating with the vision ideas you have shared. The children have gathered up some of the themes and are producing acrostic vision phrases to accompany this image so that our values can easily be remembered by all.

I hope you all enjoy the final days of school and the festive celebrations the staff and FOHH have prepared for the children. On behalf of all of our staff, may I wish you and yours a peaceful, joyful Christmas and a happy New Year.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher