



HEATHFIELD
HOUSE SCHOOL

WELCOME



THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING HEATHFIELD HOUSE SCHOOL FOR YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER. AS A PARENT, I KNOW THE DECISION ABOUT WHICH SCHOOL TO CHOOSE FOR YOUR CHILD IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THAT ANY PARENT HAS TO MAKE.

Heathfield House School is an independent primary school for boys and girls from four to eleven years. My sister and I opened the doors in September 2004 as a result of our quest to provide an education that is enjoyable, complete and individual.

The school aims to provide a stimulating, well-balanced and varied education, helping each child to develop his or her full potential intellectually, socially and physically. In the school's small and vibrant community, each child's individual needs, strengths and interests are recognised and valued in a secure, supportive and caring environment. The children of Heathfield House School are confident, curious and enthusiastic learners, able to think independently, to live happily and co-operatively.

My sister, Pauline Williamson, and I have a passion for education and we are confident that all pupils attending Heathfield House School will be inspired, challenged and motivated in order to enjoy and fulfill their potential in their most formative years of learning.

Please do make an appointment to visit us, to meet the children and staff and see Heathfield House School for yourself. You will be warmly welcomed.

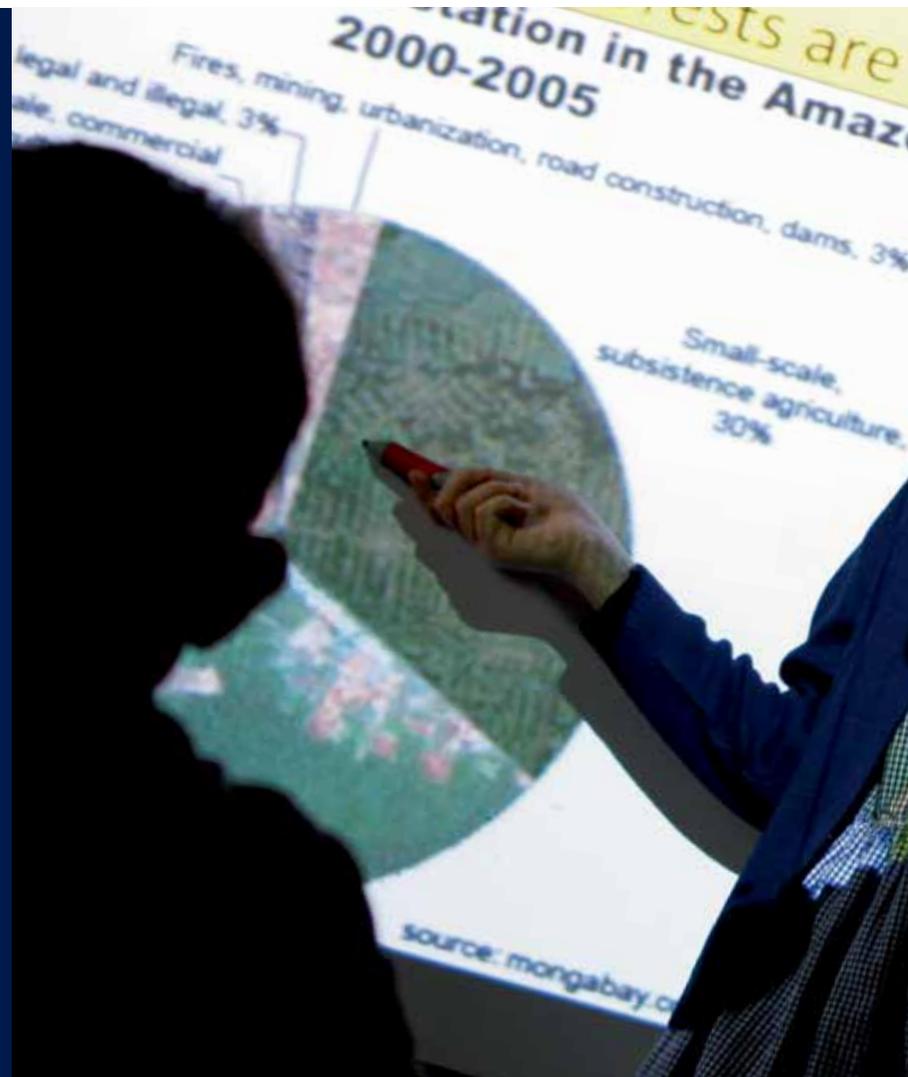
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I'M VERY PLEASED WITH HEATHFIELD HOUSE SCHOOL. IT'S WELL RUN, THE CHILDREN ARE HAPPY, THEY PROGRESS ACADEMICALLY, THERE'S A WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITIES FOR THEM TO SAMPLE AND BE EXPOSED TO. I AM VERY HAPPY.

PARENT, YEAR 1

OUR APPROACH





ALL CHILDREN LEARN IN DIFFERENT WAYS. ALL OUR CLASSES ARE TAUGHT BY QUALIFIED, DEDICATED AND CARING TEACHERS. OUR TEACHING METHODS COMBINE MANY DIFFERENT APPROACHES AND RESOURCES TO INSPIRE THE CHILDREN'S LEARNING.

Class sizes are between eighteen and twenty to provide the individual attention on which children thrive, whilst large enough to provide opportunities for learning social skills and forming a range of relationships.

A formal, structured and challenging academic curriculum is provided, enriched with more creative, physical and social aspects of learning in equal measure.

All children are regularly assessed so that their academic and personal achievements and needs are understood. Care is taken to strike the right balance for preparing children for the future and preserving their childhood.

Support is given to ensure children deal with challenges effectively. Social and pastoral care starts in lessons with circle time, and extends through the school utilising buddy systems, parental contact and external specialists when required.

Above all the school aims to provide an education which allows children to enjoy and look forward to each day as they accumulate the skills necessary to achieve success in their future school careers.

IT IS A VERY NURTURING AND FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT.

PARENT, YEAR 3

RECEPTION AND YEAR 1

EARLY YEARS CENTRE:
26 OXFORD ROAD NORTH, CHISWICK

BOTH OUR CHILDREN ADORE
HEATHFIELD HOUSE SCHOOL,
SO WE'RE DELIGHTED!

PARENT, RECEPTION AND YEAR 1





CHILDREN JOIN RECEPTION CLASS AT HEATHFIELD HOUSE SCHOOL IN THE SEPTEMBER AFTER THEIR FOURTH BIRTHDAY. THIS INTRODUCTION INTO EDUCATION IS VITALLY IMPORTANT. TO ENABLE A SEAMLESS TRANSITION INTO SCHOOL LIFE, THE SCHOOL DAY IS PLANNED TO ENSURE CHILDREN MAKE THE ACADEMIC PROGRESS PARENTS SEEK WHILST ALLOWING CHILDREN TO LEARN THROUGH PLAY. THE CHILDREN OF HEATHFIELD HOUSE SCHOOL ARE ACTIVE AND INQUISITIVE LEARNERS AND THEY ARE CHALLENGED AND EXTENDED TO REACH THEIR POTENTIAL.

In Reception and Year 1, children have a form teacher who delivers most of the curriculum. Specialists are employed for Physical Education and French. A topic-based approach offers numerous opportunities for the children to be creative in a variety of ways and to link different subjects together. Much emphasis is placed on Literacy and Numeracy to ensure children have a solid foundation on which to build their future learning.

Reading is a vital ability and is given high priority at Heathfield House School. Children read to an adult daily until they become effective readers. The school provides a wide variety of reading material to encourage and broaden children's reading from an early age.

There is a very gentle introduction to homework in Reception and Year 1, with a variety of activities on a weekly basis to enhance the work in school. This also provides the parents with the pleasure of seeing their child's progress and is extremely rewarding for both parent and child.

YEAR 2 THROUGH TO YEAR 6

MAIN SCHOOL SITE:
HEATHFIELD GARDENS, CHISWICK



IN YEAR 2, CHILDREN START THE TRANSITION FROM A TOPIC-BASED APPROACH TO A MORE TRADITIONAL TIMETABLE.

As the children move into higher year groups, more specialist teachers are used to give them the more in-depth knowledge they seek and require. This is done through varied and dynamic lessons by teachers passionate about their subjects. During this time, the children grow in confidence, learn to work independently and develop greater responsibility.

Homework is set on a regular basis to establish the children's ability to work independently. The school is well resourced; all children have access to interesting learning materials and all classrooms have interactive whiteboards to encourage participative learning.

Children with special educational needs, including those that are gifted and talented, and those with English as an additional language, are supported within the school and by specialists whenever appropriate. Each child's progress is monitored throughout their time at school to ensure that they reach their full potential.



HEATHFIELD HOUSE SCHOOL MAKES ME HAPPY AND HELPS ME LEARN BECAUSE THE TEACHERS ARE FRIENDLY AND HELPFUL AND IF I'M STUCK THEY SUPPORT ME ON MY JOURNEY TO SECONDARY SCHOOL.

MADELEINE, YEAR 5

PHYSICAL EDUCATION, MUSIC AND THE ARTS

I LIKE THIS SCHOOL BECAUSE YOU GET
LOTS OF OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN
INSTRUMENTS, JOIN THE ORCHESTRA
AND PLAY IN THE CHAMBER MUSIC
CONCERTS WHICH IS REALLY FUN!

COREY, YEAR 5





GREAT EMPHASIS IS PLACED ON ENABLING OUR CHILDREN TO EXPERIENCE A WIDE VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES FROM A YOUNG AGE TO WORK OUT WHERE THEIR OWN STRENGTHS LIE. AS A RESULT OF THIS, SPORT, MUSIC AND THE ARTS PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE CURRICULUM.

Sport is taught by specialist teachers for at least two hours per week. During these sessions the children learn a variety of skills and games such as football, hockey, rugby, gymnastics, dance, rounders, cricket and athletics to name a few. We use a variety of sporting facilities in the local vicinity. Throughout the school year, children take part in sporting fixtures as well as the school's swimming gala and sports day. All children from Reception onwards swim weekly at a local swimming pool. They also have the opportunity to swim competitively both locally and nationally.

We offer many sports clubs, both before school and at lunchtime. In these, children may develop and extend their sporting skills.

A specialist music teacher co-ordinates music within the school. There are many opportunities for children to develop within this area of the curriculum including selective chamber choir, pop choir, Cantabile choir, orchestra and band club. Each year, a music captain from Year 6 is chosen who assists the music teacher to organise the termly concerts as well as the Christmas Carol concert, the Christmas nativity and the Summer Production.

Peripatetic teaching is offered in a wide range of instruments including piano, guitar, saxophone, violin, flute and clarinet. Children usually work towards external music examinations.

Our Artsmark award reflects our dedication to the Arts and the wide variety of activities we provide in this area. Children's artistic creativity is encouraged and developed by specialist art teachers, art gallery visits and imaginative displays around the school. Drama is core to the curriculum and school productions have included Robin Hood, Five Gold Rings and Scheherazade. There are also lunchtime and after-school clubs as well as Lamda sessions available to the children.



EDUCATIONAL VISITS

EDUCATIONAL VISITS ARE INTEGRAL TO THE CURRICULUM AS A WAY TO ENRICH THE CHILDREN'S EDUCATION. EXTENSIVE USE IS MADE OF LONDON'S MANY EDUCATIONAL VENUES. CHILDREN HAVE RECENTLY VISITED THE HORNIMAN MUSEUM, THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT, THE NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY AND MANY MORE.

Residential trips are organised annually from Year 3 onwards. These give children the opportunity to experience many activities such as raft building, canoeing and abseiling. In Year 6, children are given the opportunity to attend a residential trip to France to broaden their horizons culturally and continue to prepare them for secondary school.

At the heart of Heathfield House School's success lies committed, caring teachers who combine traditional teaching methods with the best of progressive ideas to create an interesting and exciting curriculum.





THERE IS A HUGE RANGE OF SPORTS
AND ACTIVITIES THAT ANYONE CAN DO!

CONOR, YEAR 6

COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS

WE PRIDE OURSELVES AT HEATHFIELD HOUSE SCHOOL ON HAVING A GOOD RELATIONSHIP AND CLEAR LINES OF COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS. PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE SUPPORTIVE OF AND PARTICIPATIVE IN A VARIETY OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.

The school website keeps parents up to date with the activities that will be happening in the terms ahead. The curriculum newsletters can also be found there.

There are three parents evenings and two written reports each academic year. Staff are also available at mutually convenient times throughout the year to discuss any matters with parents. The Heathfield House Herald is issued termly, keeping parents informed of any news and sharing successes and achievements.

We believe it is very important for parents to share in their child's achievements. Therefore, parents are invited to attend assemblies and open sessions to see their child's work. There is also a Christmas production for the younger children and a Summer production for the older children.

The Heathfield House Parents Association organises social events for parents and children such as summer picnics and Christmas Fairs enjoyed by all.

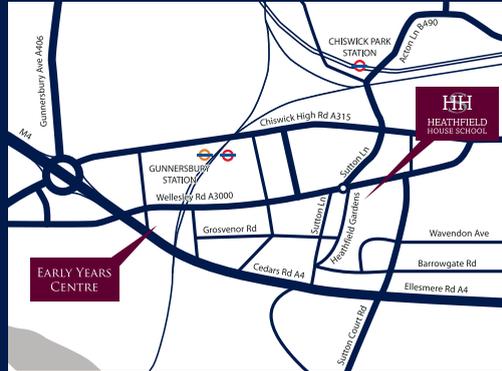


SCHOOL LUNCHES

At Heathfield House School, children may have either packed lunches prepared at home or have school dinners which are an optional extra. The school dinners are nutritional, varied and prepared on each site by the school chef.

REGISTRATION AND ENTRY

If you would like to register your child, then please complete and return the enclosed registration form to the school. Heathfield House School operates a sibling priority admissions procedure where possible. The school aims for an equal number of girls and boys, to create a balanced learning environment.




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