

Safeguarding Children

Child Protection and the safeguarding of children are central to our duty as a school. All staff are trained in spotting signs of neglect/abuse and what to do if they suspect something is wrong. They are fully vetted (including enhanced DBS checks) and the school has a whistleblowing policy. However, there could be occasions when you may have a child protection concern regarding another child. Perhaps something you witness out of school that makes you feel uncomfortable or worried about a child. What should you do? Who should you tell? The key thing is to share your concern with someone. We have two Designated Safeguarding leads, Mrs Edwards and Mrs Gardner Potter, who are happy to speak to you if you have any concerns. Detailed information about child protection and safeguarding is on the school website.

Keeping our children safe is everyone's business.

Medical

Please inform school of any new medical issues as soon as they arise, especially conditions like asthma that require medication to be kept in school.

We have updated our school policy in line with NHS guideline on non-prescription medications. We can now administer calpol, etc. If you bring the medicine to reception and complete the relevant form.

Heronsgate

Newsletter

December 2017



Wishing you all a very happy festive break and we look forward to seeing you back in school on **Wednesday 3rd January 2018.**

The Heronsgate Team

Winter

Please ensure all your child's belongings - coats, hats, gloves, are clearly named and that children have suitable coats in school with them.

In the unlikely event of a school closure due to bad weather there will be updates on local radio and on the council website www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/closures

Before & After School Care

A reminder that Premier Sport operate both breakfast and after school clubs on site providing care from 7.30am to 6pm daily without your child having to leave the premises. They are also able to take childcare vouchers now. Full details are on our website, all bookings and payments are made direct with Premier Sport.

[www.http://heronsgate.org.uk/after-school-](http://heronsgate.org.uk/after-school-)

Christmas Events & Dates

Thu 7th December—H2S singing at INTU shopping centre in Central MK at 4:30pm

Fri 8th December—Christmas Fete

Mon/Tue 11th&12th December—Y3 nativity

Mon 11th to Wed 13th Dec— Friends of Heronsgate lucky sweets sale

Tues 12th December—Y4 Viking Day

Wed 13th December—Christmas Disco

Thu 14th December— Class Parties

Fri 15th December—Xmas Jumper Day

Fri 15th December - School closes 3:20pm

18 December to 1st January - Holidays

Tue 2nd January 2018 - Staff training day

Wed 3rd January - school opens

Term Dates for 2018/19 have been sent home and are now available on our website. Please refer to these and do not rely on web searches that link to other websites as these are often inaccurate.