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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of our first full week and are delighted with the growing confidence and independence that we are seeing in the children. The full sessions can be tiring for them in the first few weeks. Do not be surprised if you see a regression in behaviour at this point. This is completely normal. Lots of children experience this whilst getting used to the new routine. Please see your child's key person if you are worried.

Just a gentle reminder it is really important that your child accesses the whole of the session/s they are entitled to and starts the session/s with their peers. It also helps them to settle more easily. Please also ensure a prompt collection at the end of session or from After School Club.

Parent/Carer Coffee Sessions

We would like to invite you to a coffee morning to discuss with us how your child has settled and the transition process. We always welcome feedback! Mrs Haynes and I would love to see lots of you there. Younger siblings are welcome. We will run two sessions in case one session is not convenient:

- **Wednesday 25th September 8.30-9.30am**
- **Wednesday 25th September 12.30-1.30pm**



We will put out sign-up sheets next week and put a reminder in next week's newsletter but wanted to give advance notice.

Disability Living Allowance

Please let us know if you are eligible for disability allowance as we might be able to access funding that could be used to support your child in the setting. Please let your child's key person know or e-mail: admin@heathlane.herts.sch.uk

Jeans for Genes Day – Wednesday 18th September

On Wednesday the children are all invited to bring in £1 donation and wear jeans, denim or any blue clothing in support of Jeans for Genes day.



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Footwear

Just a reminder that your children will need to change their shoes into wellie boots for forest school sessions and as the weather becomes wetter in the coming months. It is far easier for children to change their footwear independently if they have shoes that they can remove and put on themselves. Please bear this in mind when buying their next set of shoes for school. Velcro fastenings are best. Laces require them to wait for an adult. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Books

Next week your child will choose a book to take home. Please take the time to read the book with your child. To ensure that our books stay in good condition please bring them back in the book bag. You are very welcome to change your child's book at pick up time on a Monday and a Friday. There will be a library book box out on these days for you and your child to choose from.

Suggested activity for home

This week the children have been looking at the changing leaves in the garden. They have been looking at the differences in the leaves and some of the children have loved throwing them in the air and watching how they fall! This weekend we would love the children to go on an outdoor walk and collect some leaves to bring into school. We will then use them next week in some of our sessions.

Some words that you might find useful when talking about the leaves are:

crispy, crunchy, soft, veins,

With kind regards,

Hayley Yendell
Headteacher