

# Highters Heath Community School

## Newsletter

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024

### Dates for your Diary

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October –  
Schools closes for  
half term at the  
normal time of  
3.15pm**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November  
– Teacher Training  
Day**

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>  
November – School  
opens at the normal  
time of 8.45am**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>  
November – Year 5  
visit to the Mosque**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>  
November – Children  
in Need – more  
information to follow**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November  
– School  
Photographs**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup>  
November – Pupil  
Parliament at Highter  
Heath**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>  
November – Year 6  
visit to Avoncroft**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> and  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>  
November –  
Scholastic Book Fair**

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup>  
November – Year 6  
World War Two  
Workshop**

### Message from the Headteacher

I just wanted to say a huge thank you to all the parents who could join us for Parents Evening last night. It was lovely to see so many of you and thank you for all your kind words. I hope that you found your meeting very informative and enjoyed seeing your child's books. If you were unable to make it, your child's class teacher will call you to speak to you over the phone after half term. However, if you would like to book a separate appointment, please phone the school office.

As always if you have any questions or queries, please contact the school office using the enquiry email.

[enquiry@hightersheath.excelsiormat.org](mailto:enquiry@hightersheath.excelsiormat.org)

Have a lovely, restful half term break and thank you for your continued support,  
Mrs Aulton

### Birmingham City Mission Visit



Laura from Birmingham City Mission came to deliver an assembly on Thursday. The theme of the assembly was Care and Share and Laura told the children a story that illustrated this to them. She also talked about how we can all share with others. She thanked the children for their Harvest Festival donations that will be collected by Birmingham City Mission after the half term holiday. If you still want to make a donation towards our collection, please send it in by tomorrow. Thank you.

### Teacher Training Day

A reminder that school closes for half term today and will re open to pupils on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November. Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November is a Teacher Training Day.

### Scholastic Book Fair – A reminder

The Scholastic Book Fair will be joining us on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November. The children will have the opportunity to visit the book fair for a look at the books during the day and the fair will be open straight after school if you would like to purchase a book for your child. Money raised will go towards purchasing books for the library.

## Spotlight on attendance



Well done to all the children (and their parents) who have 100% attendance for the term so far!

Unfortunately, the percentage of children achieving this is only 39%. Our data also shows us that almost half of the children in school have attendance lower than the target of 96% or above.

Let's hope that we can improve on these statistics after half term and improve our current whole school attendance for the year, which is currently at 92%.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's attendance, please speak to Mrs Lindsay via the school office.

### Celebration Assembly Award Winners

This week's winners are:

Reception	Mila and Winner
Year 1	Thomas and Winner
Year 2	Ezekiah and Harry
Year 3	Ali and Evie-Leigh
Year 4	Sana and Ibrahim
Year 5	Adam and Aghna
Year 6	Oliver and Saba

Congratulations to everyone who won a Headteachers Award this week.

### House Points

Well done to everyone receiving house points this week. The winners are...

Apollo	Mercury	Neptune	Pegasus
2147	2289	1781	2263

Well done to **Mercury** for achieving the most house points this week.

### Hot Chocolate Friday Winners

Congratulations this week go to:

Reception	Mirha
Year 1	Mowafak
Year 2	Mudabbir
Year 3	Eden
Year 4	Rosie-Lee
Year 5	Archie
Year 6	Noor

I look forward to meeting even more children who have gone above and beyond and have been nominated for this award.



### Attendance

Well done to everyone who has tried really hard with their attendance this week. As always, school attendance is important for your child, both in terms of their education as well as for their well-being and life opportunities.

Our attendance this week

Reception	94.3%
Year 1	85.2%
Year 2	93.4%
Year 3	99.5%
Year 4	92.9%
Year 5	95.3%
Year 6	94.7%
Whole School	93.6%

Please can you ensure your child attends every day where possible and is on time for school – doors close at 8.55am.