



# Highters Heath Community School Newsletter

Friday 27th September 2024

# Dates for your Diary

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>
October – Year 3 visit
to the Botanical
Gardens

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>
October – Year 2 visit
to Coventry
Transport Museum

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>
October – Flu
Immunisations (Year
2 before their visit)

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>
October – Year 6 visit
to Avoncroft Museum

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>
October – Parents
Evening

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

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

#### **Message from the Headteacher**

I just wanted to say a huge thank you to all of you for your support and kind words over the last few weeks. It is lovely chatting to you all in the playground at the beginning and end of the day. Of course, our relationship with parents is very important to us and we will be running our first parent workshop next week for Year 6.

Parents workshops are a source of information focussing on your child's learning and how you can help at home. As we send more invitations out for further workshops we hope that many more of you will attend. However, if you feel you have some ideas as to how we can improve these or if there is a workshop you feel we should run then please let us know.

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

Thank you for your continued support, Mrs Aulton

# **SEND Parents Coffee Morning**

Highters Heath Community School will be holding a Special Educational Needs and Disability coffee morning on Wednesday 9th October at 9.15am.

This will be an opportunity for you to find out about the agency staff who work with us to support pupils with a range of special educational needs. You are welcome to attend regardless of whether your child has an identification of special education needs.

We look forward to seeing you on the day. Mrs Lindsay

## <u>Safeguarding</u>

Do you have a safeguarding concern about a child?

The DSL's at Highters Heath are:

Mrs Aulton, Mrs Lindsay and Mrs Delves

Contact: <a href="mailto:safeguarding@hightersheath.excelsiormat.org">safeguarding@hightersheath.excelsiormat.org</a>

Alternatively contact Birmingham City Council Children's Trust on 0121 303 1888

#### **Spotlight on attendance**

Being in school is important to your child's academic achievement, wellbeing, and wider development.

Evidence suggests that regular school attendance is a key factor in supporting children and young people's educational, economic and social outcomes. Schools can help with positive peer relationships, which contributes to better mental health and wellbeing.

Attendance at school is crucial to prepare young people for successful transition to adulthood, even at the early stages of education in primary school.

You may think the odd day off here and there doesn't matter, but children who have missed 2 days of school so far this year already have attendance of below 90%! That means they have missed 10% of the available teaching, learning and socialising time available to them.

Please ensure your child is in school every day that they are well enough to do so and try to book medical and dental appointments outside of school hours.

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	Muawiya and Harper
Year 1	Ayra and Winner
Year 2	Jenson and Luna
Year 3	Demi and Jacob
Year 4	Rose and Ali
Year 5	Charlie and David
Year 6	Ethan and Winner

Congratulations to everyone who won a Headteachers Award this week.

### **Hot Chocolate Friday Winners**

Congratulations this week go to:

Reception	Amaya
Year 1	Zaina
Year 2	Harry
Year 3	Ella
Year 4	Maliyah
Year 5	Lydia
Year 6	Winner

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



#### **House Points**

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

<mark>Apollo</mark>	Mercury	<b>Neptune</b>	<b>Pegasus</b>
930	858	844	907

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

### <u>Attendance</u>

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	94.2%
Year 1	90.7%
Year 2	97.0%
Year 3	98.4%
Year 4	95.6%
Year 5	90.3%
Year 6	96.7%
Whole School	94.7%

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