



# Highters Heath Community School Newsletter

Friday 4th October 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**

This week we have had a lovely week with our learning and the children are really enjoying the new maths scheme. This is really exploring their maths thinking and improving their maths skills. I am really pleased that they are enjoying it so much.

Parking – local residents have asked if parents could be more considerate when parking and not park across their driveways or on the grass verges. This can cause a danger to the children and their families when walking to school and residents aren't able to leave their properties until the cars have moved causing several disagreements. Please can you bear this in mind and park somewhere else whenever possible.

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

### Year 4 Roman Workshop

During our Roman workshop, we learned all about life as a Roman. We learned about the army and the different types of Roman soldiers. We looked at what they would wear and their battle tactics. We learned about the lives of Romans who were rich and poor and looked at different artefacts. We also learnt about Boudica and dug for a range of artefacts. We had the best day ever!

# **Year 5 and 6 Football Tournament**

What a wonderful afternoon we had at Birmingham City Football Club for the Year 5 and Year 6 boys' football tournament. The children played matches against all the other football teams from the different schools in the trust. The children played brilliantly together and had a really fun afternoon. They also came a very respectable fourth. Well, done to Year 5 and 6 boys. We are really proud of you.

# Safeguarding

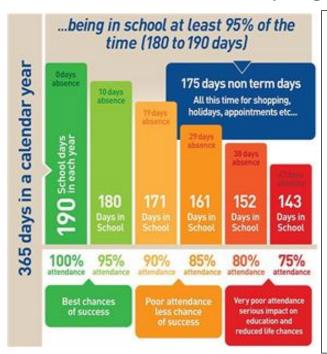
Do you have a safeguarding concern about a child?

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**



Unfortunately, our whole school attendance remains persistently below our target of 96%, with it only being 93.2% this week.

We also only have 1 class who have achieved over the target of 96% for the week and sadly 1 class are below 90%! Often the reasons we are given for absence can be minor and we would encourage you to send your child to school, even if they have a cough or a cold.

Often a dose of Calpol will help and we will always contact you if we think your child is unwell and needs to be at home.

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	Khalid and Mirha
Year 1	Arthur and Roxanne
Year 2	Ayaana and Charlie
Year 3	Ella and Kaiden
Year 4	Hamza and Winner
Year 5	Alfrick and Winner
Year 6	Ruby and Jack

Congratulations to everyone who won a Headteachers Award this week.

# **Hot Chocolate Friday Winners**

Congratulations this week go to:

Reception	Ireoluwa
Year 1	Julia
Year 2	Kayla
Year 3	Balaaj
Year 4	Rose
Year 5	David
Year 6	Rubv

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>
1246	1186	1127	1259

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

### **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	87.5%
Year 2	94.1%
Year 3	94.2%
Year 4	95.8%
Year 5	90.7%
Year 6	98.6%
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.