

Highters Heath Community School

Newsletter

Friday 17th April 2026

Dates for your Diary

**Thursday 30th April –
Year 4 visit to
Tamworth Castle**

**Thursday 21st May –
Year 1 visit to the
Birmingham
Conservation Park**

**Wednesday 17th June
– Friday 19th June –
Year 6 Residential**

**Tuesday 24th June –
Animal Man to visit
Reception and Year 1**

**Friday 26th June –
Year 2 visit to Weston**

**Friday 26th June –
Speak Up, Speak Out
competition**

**Friday 3rd July –
Sports Day**

**Tuesday 14th July –
Reception
Teddybears Picnic**

**Friday 17th July –
Year 6 Leavers
Assembly**

**Friday 17th July –
School closes for the
summer holidays at
the normal time of
3.15pm**

**Monday 20th July –
Teacher Training Day**

**Thursday 3rd
September – school
reopens**

Message from the Executive Headteacher

We have had a great start to the summer term and the children are really enjoying their learning. It has also been lovely to see the children all playing together on the field during lunchtime with our OPAL provision. They are so kind and helpful towards each other and play so nicely with all the different equipment it is a privilege to be outside with them. Well done everybody and thank you to the MDS's who set up and put away all the equipment – it always looks really inviting and has made a huge difference to our lunchtimes.

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 3 visit to Birmingham

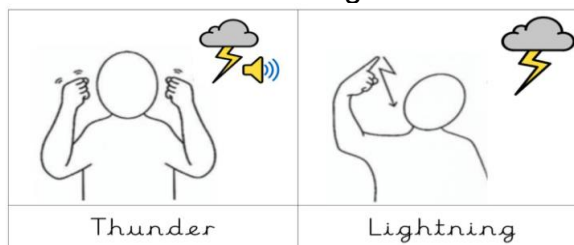
Yesterday, Year 3 visited Birmingham Central Library. On the walk there, they spotted many landmarks from our theme learning, including Selfridges at the Bullring, Grand Central and the Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery. They then explored the children's library and read stories to each other, before heading up to the Secret Garden where they admired the views of the city. They all behaved wonderfully and represented our school brilliantly. Well done Year 3!

Summer Fair Donations

It's that time of year again when we are beginning our preparations for this year's summer fair. Of course our success is reliant on kind donations and we need your help. If you have any bric a brac for our tombola, teddy bears and unused items for our raffle please feel free to bring them into school via the school office. All items would be gratefully received – thank you.

Makaton News

This week has been such a mixed bag of weather! Can you learn this week's signs for thunder and lightning? Let's hope we start to see more warm sunshine again soon.



Spotlight on attendance



We have been delighted to welcome the children back to school for the final term of the school year. It is important to continue to prioritise good school attendance as we strive to achieve the best outcomes for all our pupils.

If your child's attendance is currently below 96% you will have received an email this week, informing you of their current attendance for the year so far. These are sent as a way of letting you know how their attendance compares with our target of 96%.

If your child's attendance is below 90% that falls into the category of persistent absence and you will more than likely have had a letter from or meeting with Mrs Lindsay already. If you haven't received an email this week - well done! That means your child has attendance of 96% or above.

If you have any worries or concerns about your child's attendance, please see Mrs Lindsay via the school office.

Headteacher Award Winners

This term's winners are:

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| Reception | Safa and Winner |
| Year 1 | Maha and Winner |
| Year 2 | Winner and Julia |
| Year 3 | Ilyas and Eliza |
| Year 4 | Esme and Ali |
| Year 5 | Kyreece and Rosie-Lee |
| Year 6 | Maili and Winner |

Congratulations to everyone who won a Headteacher's Award this week.

Hot Chocolate Friday Winners

Congratulations this week go to:

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| Reception | Suhaan |
| Year 1 | Yaqub |
| Year 2 | Amelia |
| Year 3 | Ayaana |
| Year 4 | Dolcie |
| Year 5 | Ibrahim |
| Year 6 | Ava-Rose |

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...

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| Apollo | Mercury | Neptune | Pegasus |
| 12426 | 11479 | 11764 | 11600 |

Well done to **Apollo** 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

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| Reception | 95.2% |
| Year 1 | 97.5% |
| Year 2 | 89.9% |
| Year 3 | 89.7% |
| Year 4 | 98.7% |
| Year 5 | 90.1% |
| Year 6 | 93.3% |
| Whole School | 93.8% |

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