

Highters Heath Community School

Newsletter

Friday 22nd September 2023

Dates for your Diary

**Monday 25th
September – SEND
parent meetings by
invitation**

**Tuesday 26th
September - No
Outsiders lessons for
parents**

**Thursday 19th
October – Year 3
Botanical Gardens
Visit**

**Thursday 26th
October – Year 1
Black Country Living
Museum Visit**

**Thursday 26th
October – Parents
Evening**

**Friday 27th October –
School closes for half
term**

**Monday 6th November
– school reopens at
the normal time of
8.45am**

**Monday 13th
November – Year 5
Visit to the Mosque**

**Thursday 23rd
November – Year 2
Blakesley Hall Visit**

**Monday 27th
November – Year 6
Visit to St Chad's
Cathedral**

Message from the Headteacher

As part of our commitment to work with parents we have our No Outsider Parent lessons arranged for Tuesday 26th September with Mrs Schofield. We hope that many of you will be able to join us. The sessions will be no longer than 40 minutes and will offer you the opportunity to see our No Outsiders curriculum in action. If you have not received a letter please contact the school office.

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Aulton

Key Stage 1 Playground

As you may have seen there has been a significant development in the Key Stage 1 playground this week. I would like to say a huge thank you to Jamie and Max who have worked tirelessly and continuously despite the terrible weather and should be back for a couple more days next week to complete the work. The children have enjoyed watching the developments and we look forward to unveiling the new play equipment very soon.

Year 5 Tudor Workshop



Year 5 were excited to participate in their Tudor workshop, where they learnt more about the Tudors. They were able to see, touch and try on the clothes, weapons and armour that an army and king would use and wear. They finished off the afternoon trying out archery and a game of Nine Men's Morris, which they all thoroughly enjoyed. What was nice was to see all the children were fully engaged and everyone of them had big smiles on their faces. A great day was had by all!

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:

safeguarding@hightersheath.excelsiormat.org

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

Spotlight on attendance

Punctuality is an extremely important part of attendance. Being late for school has many negative consequences:

- Gets the day off to a bad start
- Increases stress and upset for your child
- Can lead to your child feeling embarrassed and singled out
- Affects your child's overall confidence
- Disrupts the learning of other class members
- Creates bad habits which can lead to poor attendance
- Confusion for your child as work or activities may have started.

The school doors open at 8.45am and registers are at 8.55am. Being late on a regular basis adds up to a loss of learning time.

5 minutes late every day	3.4 days of lost learning every year
10 minutes late every day	6.9 days of lost learning every year
15 minutes late every day	10.3 days of lost learning every year
20 minutes late every day	13.8 days of lost learning every year
30 minutes late every day	20.7 days of lost learning every year

Celebration Assembly Award Winners

This week's winners are:

Reception	Peyton and Ralphie
Year 1	Kayla and Ilyas
Year 2	Huzaifa and Elsie
Year 3	Jacob and Ali
Year 4	Lydia and Maisa
Year 5	Stanley and Jacob
Year 6	Saul and Laila

Congratulations to everyone who won a Headteachers Award this week.

Hot Chocolate Friday Winners

Congratulations this week go to:

Reception	Kobie
Year 1	Winner
Year 2	Lamar
Year 3	Winner
Year 4	Eliza
Year 5	Eman
Year 6	Anji

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...

Apollo	Mercury	Neptune	Pegasus
473	559	542	640

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	98.4%
Year 1	96.7%
Year 2	91.3%
Year 3	92.9%
Year 4	98.4%
Year 5	89.6%
Year 6	97.8%
Whole School	95%

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