



# Highters Heath Community School Newsletter

Friday 23rd May 2025

# Dates for your Diary

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – School closes for half term at the normal time of 3.15pm

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – School reopens for pupils at the normal time of 8.45am

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 visit to Avoncroft Museum

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Pupil Parliament visit to Parkfield Community School

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June – SEND Coffee Morning

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 residential to Beaudesert

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Speak Up, Speak Out competition

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July – End of term – school closes to pupils at the normal time of 3.15pm

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Teacher Training Day

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September - Teacher Training Day

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Children return to school

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

What a lovely end to this very short half term. Both Year 5 and Year 1 have been out on their educational visits and had a lovely time, coming back into school with lots of interesting facts and information.

Today we close for the week but return on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June with doors opening at the normal time of 8.45am. We hope you have a lovely break.

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 5 visit to Selly Manor**

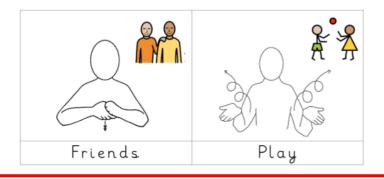
On Wednesday Year 5 had the pleasure of visiting Selly Manor, a Tudor house set in Bournville. Year 5 were shown around the house by Meghan who was their tour guide for the day. Meghan shared lots of information about the Tudors and Tudor times with the children, which helped build on the knowledge that they already had. They were really well behaved and asked lots of interesting questions. The children enjoyed their day and would recommend going again. A huge thank you to Meghan for a really interesting day. Well done Year 5!

# **Reception visit to the Post Office**

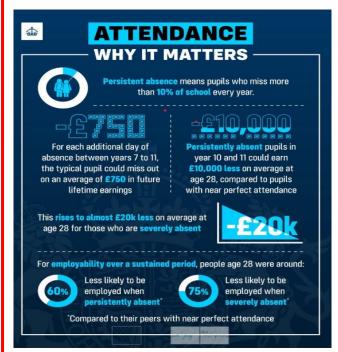
Reception had a lovely time writing their own letters to send home. We went to the office and asked for a stamp, using our wonderful manners and Makaton signs before walking to the local post box to post them. Well done, Reception, you represented our school brilliantly. Hopefully you will receive your letters very soon.

# Makaton News

Can you learn the signs this week for friend and play? Try and challenge yourself to say and sign 'I like to play with my friends at school.'



#### **Spotlight on Attendance**



We have great attendance news this week. 6 out of 7 classes have managed to achieve over 96% and we have a whole school attendance of 96.4!

It was a tight race to be the winner but well done to Year 6 who have managed to get over 99% this week. We do appreciate your efforts and hard work to get your children to school every day, and this has a really positive impact on your children in many ways.

Let's hope this positive attendance pattern can continue after the half term holiday and hopefully get some classes achieving the gold standard of 100%.

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	Alayna and Muawiya
Year 1	Albert and Arthur
Year 2	Keira and Winner
Year 3	Ella and Mukabbir
Year 4	Romola and Maryam
Year 5	Adam and Jack
Year 6	Parisa and Winner

Congratulations to everyone who won a Headteachers Award this week.

# **Hot Chocolate Friday Winners**

Congratulations this week go to:

Reception	Sahil
Year 1	Winner
Year 2	Winner
Year 3	Kaiden
Year 4	Phoebe
Year 5	Charlie
Year 6	Renayah

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>
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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	96.2%
Year 1	96.9%
Year 2	90.9%
Year 3	96.8%
Year 4	96.3%
Year 5	96.8%
Year 6	99.0%
Whole School	96.4%

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