



# Highters Heath Community School Newsletter

# Friday 6th October 2023

# Dates for your Diary

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>
October – Year 3
Botanical Gardens
Visit

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>
October – Year 1
Black Country Living
Museum Visit

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October – School closes for half term

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November – school reopens at the normal time of 8.45am

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Year 5 Visit to the Mosque

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Year 2 Blakesley Hall Visit

Monday 27<sup>th</sup>
November – Year 6
Visit to St Chad's
Cathedral

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December

– SEND Parents

Meetings by
invitation

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>
December – Year 4
Visit to the Old Rep
to see Peter Pan

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

This week we are excited to announce our Year 6 school prefects.

Aaron – Head Prefect Aisha – Head Prefect Leila-Rae Skye Finley Gracie Gemma

Sierrah



Well done to all of you. We look forward to seeing you take on all your duties this year.

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

# **Parking**

Please could parents using the community car parks outside school, please park considerably. We have had many complaints recently and also a few near misses where children have been in danger of being run over. If the car park is full, please find an alternative parking space in the nearby roads or if possible leave a few minutes earlier and walk to school.

# **Uniform**

A reminder that we now stock book bags and jumpers with the school logo. Jumpers are £10.25 and book bags are £7.50. You can buy these from the school office.

# **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**

#### **Absence through illness**

We understand and appreciate that children can become ill and that it is not always easy to decide whether to send them into school or keep them at home, so to help you with this decision we have devised a useful reference guide.

**RED - STAY AT HOME** Sickness and diarrhoea - 24 hours must have elapsed before a child can return to school from the last episode.

AMBER - SEEK ADVICE Headache, feeling sick, tummy ache. Children often feel unwell if they are anxious, so if in doubt contact the school for advice, and if appropriate a dose of liquid paracetamol or ibuprofen before school may be all they need to help them feel well enough to attend.

**GREEN - COME TO SCHOOL** Mild cough, cold, sore throat, feeling tired. We will always contact you if your child is ill during the school day. If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the school office before 9.15am with full details of your child's illness/symptoms. If we do not hear from you, we will ring you to find out why your child is not in school and if necessary, make a home visit

# Celebration Assembly Award Winners

This week's winners are:

Reception	Albert and Winner
Year 1	Mohamed and Winner
Year 2	Jenson and Lamar
Year 3	Rose and Hamza
Year 4	Winner and Winner
Year 5	Jack and Eman
Year 6	Anji and Anaiya

Congratulations to everyone who won a Headteachers Award this week.

# **Hot Chocolate Friday Winners**

Congratulations this week go to:

Reception	Winner
Year 1	Skyie
Year 2	Esme
Year 3	Ibrahim
Year 4	Archie
Year 5	Noor
Year 6	Gracie

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	84.2%
Year 1	91.9%
Year 2	82.9%
Year 3	94.6%
Year 4	95.0%
Year 5	94.0%
Year 6	95.6%
Whole School	91.6%

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