

Highters Heath Community School

Newsletter

Friday 9th October 2026

Dates for your Diary

**Tuesday 13th October
– Open Day**

**Thursday 15th
October – Year 3 visit
to the Botanical
Gardens**

**Monday 19th October
– Flu Immunisations**

**Wednesday 21st
October – Reception
Parents Phonics
Workshop**

**Thursday 22nd
October – Parents
Evening**

**Friday 23rd October –
King Edwards
Sporting Competition**

**Friday 23rd October –
Schools closes for
half term at the
normal time of
3.15pm**

**Monday 2nd
November – Teacher
Training Day**

**Tuesday 3rd
November – School
opens for pupils at
8.45am**

**Tuesday 10th
November – Year 6
visit to Avoncroft**

**Friday 13th November
– Children in Need**

Message from the Executive Headteacher

Next week we will be hosting our 'live lessons' and hopefully you will have received a letter and email so you can let us know if you can attend. The last time we ran these lessons they were really successful and it was lovely that so many of you could join us. I know many of you found them really useful and it is always good to see how your child learns in the classroom with their teacher and peers too! We really hope you can join us again. However, if you haven't received any information please contact the office in the first instance.

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 6 visit to Birmingham Cathedral

Yesterday, Year 6 enjoyed a fantastic visit to Birmingham Cathedral. The children travelled by bus and represented our school brilliantly throughout the day. During the visit, they learned more about the Christian faith, explored the cathedral's history and features, and demonstrated great enthusiasm for their learning. They were extremely well behaved, showed excellent manners, and asked lots of interesting and thoughtful questions. We are very proud of the way they conducted themselves and the curiosity they showed throughout. Well done Year 6!

Year 7 Transition Meeting for Parents

This is a reminder that we will be holding a Year 7 Transition Meeting for Parents on Monday 19th October at 2.30pm.

This is a very important meeting, and we are hoping that you can all attend. During the meeting you will be given more information about applying for schools, Year 7 transition between ourselves and the local secondary schools, the admissions process and how you can help at home. You will also have the opportunity to buy the Year 6 CGP books from school in preparation for SATs homework. If you require any further information, please contact the school office.

Thunk of the Week

This week's thunk has certainly got us thinking! Your question this week is **can I buy a pound from you for a pound?** The answers to this will be very interesting I'm sure! Enjoy discussing this together this weekend, maybe you could make it a topic of conversation whilst out on a walk.

Spotlight on attendance



Our attendance is looking really positive at the moment with whole school attendance being over 96% for the last 2 weeks and 95.5% for the year so far. Well done everyone!

Several classes have achieved over 96% in recent weeks and a few classes achieving 100% too so the battle is on to see who the winning class will be across the school each week and who will win the extra playtime!

We have also started our attendance raffle where on a random day each week the children who are in school on time are entered into the draw to win a prize! This is proving extremely popular and the children are always keen to see who has won each week.

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

Celebration Assembly Award Winners

This week's winners are:

Reception	Royston and Winner
Year 1	Yana and Amelia
Year 2	Aurora and Talha
Year 3	Peyton and Winner
Year 4	Keira and Muhammad
Year 5	Yaseen and Lucas
Year 6	Amaani and Winner

Congratulations to everyone who won a Headteachers Award this week.

House Points

Well done to everyone receiving house points this week. The winners are...

Apollo	Mercury	Neptune	Pegasus
1857	1818	1808	1862

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	98.8%
Year 1	95.0%
Year 2	94.7%
Year 3	96.7%
Year 4	97.4%
Year 5	96.6%
Year 6	99.0%
Whole School	96.8%

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

Hot Chocolate Friday Winners

Congratulations this week go to:

Reception	Kebron
Year 1	Ajwa
Year 2	Winner
Year 3	Kobie
Year 4	Winner
Year 5	Isla
Year 6	Amaani

I look forward to meeting even more children who have gone above and beyond and have been nominated for this award.

