

HEATH MOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



24th October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you have had a lovely week.

Thank you to those who attended the Atom Learning workshops and have signed up for this. This is an amazing opportunity for your child. For parents/carers that did not get the chance to attend the workshop, we will offer additional workshops next half term.

Heath Mount is a reading school, and I am so excited to share that we have had 3300 reads this half term. It is wonderful to see so many children wearing their reading rocket badges. Mrs Schirwing and I have attached the data below for you to see.

Today, we introduced Fred Friday to you and the children. Fred is going to help us improve attendance! Currently, our overall attendance is 94.7% and we aim to get 100% with your help. Therefore, I ask you to please ensure that your child is in school every day and on time. The children will be entered into a prize draw if their attendance is 100% or if it has improved from the previous month. Fred will announce the winner of a £20.00 Aldi voucher on the last Friday of each month at 1pm in the playground.

Remember, you have to be in it to win it so come to school everyday!!!!

Have a lovely holiday, keep safe and we will see you on **Tuesday 4th November**.

Mrs Samuel
Headteacher

Heath Mount Primary School Reads!

In October 2025, students have read...

64 Books
524,181 Words
for **9 minutes/day!**
(individual student average)

RENAISSANCE
Accelerated Reader

SCHOOL WILL CLOSE AT 1PM
ON OCTOBER 24TH OCTOBER
FOR THE HALF TERM BREAK.
CHILDREN RETURN TO
SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 4TH
NOVEMBER AT 8:35 AM.

ATTENTION PLEASE!

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Parents' Evening will be taking place on Tuesday 4th November and Wednesday 5th November from 3:30 - 5:30 pm.

Book a 10-minute appointment slot on the Arbor App or contact the school office.

Every effort will be made to give you an appointment in the slot requested but please note that appointments will be booked on a first come, first served basis

Don't forget parents' evening!

AUTUMN TERM UPDATE

TOTAL READS: 3309

Year Group	TOTAL HOME READS
Year 1	243
Year 2	283
year 3	629
year 4	879
year 5	664
year 6	611

SUCCESS!
With Rocket Readers!

Stay in touch:



enquiry@heathmount.excelsiormat.org



0121 464 1691



www.heathmount@excelsiormat.org

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October - Half Term

Monday 3rd November - Staff Inset Day - School closed for pupils

Tuesday 4th November - School re-opens for pupils

Tuesday 4th November - Parents' Evening - 3:30pm-5:30pm

Wednesday 5th November - Parents' Evening - 3:30pm-5:30pm

Wednesday 5th November - Year 1 and Year 2 Stay and Read - 8:35-9:00

Thursday 13th November - Flu Immunisations

Thursday 13th November - Year 5 visit to The Mosque

Monday 24th November - Year 6 visit to RAF Cosford

Wednesday 26th November - Year 6 visit to The Birmingham Civil Justice Centre

Thursday 27th November - Year 6 visit to The Birmingham Civil Justice Centre

Heath Mount Primary Menu

WEEK THREE

W/C- 15/09, 06/10,
03/11, 24/11, 15/12

WEEK THREE

MONDAY

Mains

Creamy Chicken &
Sweetcorn Pasta Bake
Macaroni Cheese (V)

Accompaniments

Garlic Slice
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Vanilla & Raspberry
Ice Cream Cake
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

TUESDAY

Mains

Spicy Lamb Burger
Vegetable Burger (V)

Accompaniments

Paprika Sauté Potatoes
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Lemon Drizzle Cake
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

WEDNESDAY

Mains

Chicken Kebab
Vegetable Curry (V)

Accompaniments

Rice, Naan Bread
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Toffee & Blueberry Muffin
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

THURSDAY

Mains

Beef Tacos
Vegetable Tacos (V)
Battered Fish

Accompaniments

Herb Diced Potatoes
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Carrot Cake
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

FRIDAY

Mains

Cajun Chicken Pizza
Margherita Pizza (V)

Accompaniments

Chipped Potatoes
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Chocolate Chip Cookie
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

AVAILABLE DAILY

 Fresh salad cart

 Jacket potato
and Fillings

Allergen information: menu descriptions may not list every individual ingredient. We are aware of the presence of allergens requiring labelling, so please ask a member of the catering team should you require any more details. Vegetarian options are indicated by the symbol (V).

100% ATTENDANCE COMPETITION



Exciting News!
Monthly Attendance Raffle

**One lucky winner will
receive a £20 Aldi Voucher!**

We're thrilled to introduce a new Attendance Raffle to celebrate and encourage excellent attendance!

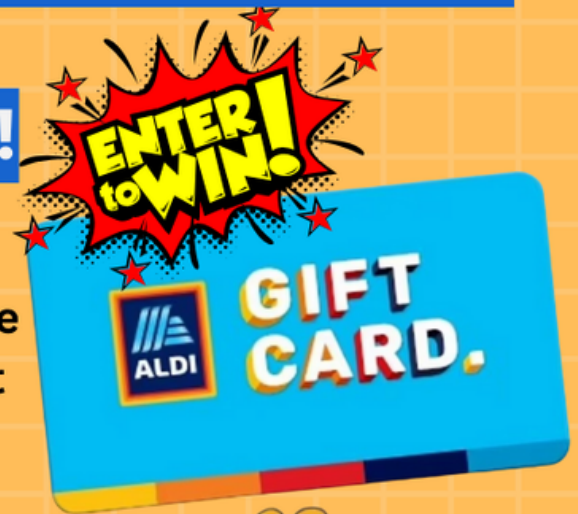
Every month, all children who have **100%** attendance or shown improved attendance will be entered in to a prize draw!

Fred says, "Don't delay! Hop to school and learn today."

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



EVERY DAY COUNTS



STAR OF THE WEEK

YEAR 1

Zoe and Mohmmmed

Harris and Abdulraheb

YEAR 2

Joel and Ayana

Sarah and Saibo

YEAR 3

Sumaya and Absalat

Khloe and Abhimanyu

YEAR 4

Seynabou and Dina

Shindara and Anora

YEAR 5

Sundas and Abu-Bakr

Omar and Yameen

YEAR 6

Reilly and Omar

Ibrahim and Hamza

WINNER

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

Well done to all the children who
have been nominated. This
week's winners are:

YEAR 1

Halima

YEAR 2

Khadija

YEAR 3

Sumaya

YEAR 4

Yonotan

YEAR 5

Zoya and Rai-Yan

YEAR 6

Joshua

ORACY CHAMPIONS OF THE WEEK



EACH WEEK, OUR STAFF CHOOSE A CHILD WHO HAS DEMONSTRATED THEIR ORACY SKILLS IN AN EXCEPTIONAL WAY.



YEAR 1

Anwar and Ibrahim

YEAR 2

Elijah and Haleema

YEAR 3

Zayaan, Mohamed
and Maureen

YEAR 4

Abeeha, Ibrahim,
Hamza and Yousaf

YEAR 5

Ayesha and Basmah

YEAR 6

Easa and Khadijah

ATTENDANCE SUPERHEROES OF THE WEEK

2RZ
98.8%



30
98.8%



6B

100%



BE AN ATTENDANCE HERO

Here Everyday Ready Ontime



Have you applied for your child's reception place for September 2026?



Scan this code or visit
www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions
and fill in the form.
Put Heath Mount Primary School as your first choice!

It's time to apply for a secondary school place!



You'll need to submit your application by
31 October 2025
Go to
www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions
to get started

My top 6 schools are :

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

Dates to remember!



1 September 2025:
Applications open



31 October 2025:
Applications close



2 March 2026:
Offer Day

Choosing a secondary school:

Hints & Tips

- Don't leave it too late - You are likely to miss out on the school place you want if you apply late. **Deadline is 31st October 2025.**
- Attend any open events at your preferred secondary schools.
- Look at each school's website and prospectus.
- Think about how your child will travel to school.
- Check the admission criteria of the schools.
- Does your child meet the criteria? Distance from the school is an important factor.
- Remember to list six different secondary schools you would like your child to attend and put them in order of preference.

Applying for 6 schools gives you child the best chance of getting a school that you want. List the schools in order of preference when you apply and if a place is available at more than one school, you will be offered the highest one on your list.

Don't Delay. Apply Today!

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions



At Heath Mount Primary School, we promote children's rights in all areas of our curriculum. We want to ensure that ALL children understand their rights so that they are healthy, happy and safe.

Look at the article below and talk about what this article means.



UNICEF Rights Respecting Schools

Article 3 - Best interests of the child

"The best interests of the child must be a top priority in all decisions and actions that affect children."

Exploring Article 3 - Who makes decisions that affect the lives of children and young people?

Did you think of these?

- Parents or carers
- Other family members
- Teachers
- Healthcare workers
- Social workers
- Sports coaches
- Youth workers
- Police officers
- Members of the government
- Local councils
- Children's Commissioners
- Court officials – judges, lawyers

Safeguarding at Heath Mount Primary School

Please see the safeguarding page on our school website:
Safeguarding – [Heath Mount Primary School \(excelsiormat.org\)](http://heathmountprimaryschool.excelsiormat.org)

At Heath Mount Primary School safeguarding children is of paramount importance. We have 5 Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) who can be contacted by parents should they have a safeguarding concern. If you have safeguarding concerns about a child, please email school using the following email address: enquiry@heathmount.excelsiormat.org. Our DSLs are:



Meet your safeguarding team:



Mrs Samuel
Headteacher,
SENCO &
Lead DSL



Miss Taylor
Pastoral Manager
Deputy DSL



Mrs Yafai
HLTA
Deputy DSL



Mrs Smith
HLTA
Deputy DSL

Miss Brook
Teacher
Deputy DSL

Miss Bi
Office Manager
DSO



**BIRMINGHAM
CHILDREN'S TRUST**

Contact details

Monday to Thursday: 8:45am to 5:15pm
Friday: 8:45am to 4:15pm
Telephone: 0121 303 1888

Emergency out-of-hours

Telephone: 0121 675 4806

The Children's Advice and Support Service (CASS) provides a single point of contact for professionals and members of the public who want to seek support or raise concerns about a child.

We want to keep all children and young people in Birmingham safe from harm. If you are concerned about a child please contact us. We will listen, assess your concerns, and can take action if a child is at risk.

If you have any concerns at all about a child's safety or wellbeing, don't hesitate to contact us



It doesn't have to be an emergency — you might be looking for guidance and support on issues affecting children. Whatever it is you're worried about, our dedicated child protection specialists will be able to advise and take any necessary action.

Whatever your worry — call us on **0808 800 5000**, email help@NSPCC.org.uk, or [submit our online form](#) — we can help.
We also have advice about [spotting the signs of abuse](#).

Due to an increase in demand across our service, our voice Helpline is currently operating between the hours of 10am-4pm on Monday to Friday. However, you can email help@NSPCC.org.uk at any time. It's free and you don't have to say who you are. If you think a child is in immediate danger, please call the police on 999 straight away.

