

HEATH MOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER



26th September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We've had another great week in school, and it's been wonderful to see so much engagement from both children and families.

Review Information:

This week, we also welcomed the Director of English, Maths and Education for a whole school review. We're proud to share some wonderful feedback from the visit - please see below for highlights that celebrate the hard work of our staff and pupils:

- In English and Maths, pupils with SEND regularly receive appropriately adapted provision so they can access the full curricular on offer.
- There has been a focus on raising the profile of reading across the school - this can be seen in the revamped library; the launch of Rocket Readers; and in Accelerated Reader to assess children's zones of proximal development. Classroom book corners and reading displays across the school are also demonstrating Heath Mount is a school that reads!
- The Reading curriculum is a particular strength; the intended and planned sequence of learning for children is both progressive and focused to develop reading skills explicitly.
- The new approach to writing is evident across the school. There is consistent evidence in incidental writing opportunities - children are writing independently.
- Mathematics continues to be a subject enjoyed by children, through engaging lessons, with improved opportunities for discussion and depth.
- Consistency of expectation and delivery is in place across school thanks to strong leadership and monitoring.
- Behaviour continues to be generally strong around the school - during lessons and in transition.
- In EYFS, activities are purposeful and areas are intentionally designed to maximise learning opportunities.
- EYFS provision gives early numeracy skills high priority.

Workshop and open lesson:

A big thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the KS2 reading workshop and open lesson. Your feedback was incredibly valuable, and we're already working on your recommendations to make future sessions even better. Following requests from a few parents and carers, we're pleased to announce that we will be repeating the KS1 phonics workshop and open lesson. We'd love to welcome you back into school on Wednesday 22nd October at 9.00am.

E-Safety Reminder:

It's vital that we all work together to ensure children understand how to stay safe, kind, and responsible when using technology.



Keep Reading!

Please continue to read regularly at home with your children.

Whether it's a bedtime story or a few pages after school, every little bit helps build confidence and a love of reading.

Thank you for your continued support and have a fantastic weekend!

Mrs Samuel
Headteacher

**PE TIMETABLE**

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| Monday - Year 1 and Year 5 |
| Tuesday - 6JB |
| Swimming - 6B |
| Wednesday - 2RZ and Year 3 |
| Thursday - 2Z and Year 4 |
| Friday - Reception |
| Children to wear their PE kits to school on their PE days |

Stay in touch:



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Dates For Your Diary



Monday 29th September - Year 5 visit to Mary Arden's farm

Tuesday 30th September - Year 3 Stay & Read - 8:35 - 9:00 - Lower Hall

Thursday 2nd October - Year 6 Sats Parents' Information meeting - 2:00-3:00 pm - Lower Hall

Monday 6th October - Year 2 Birmingham walking tour

Tuesday 7th October - Macmillan's Coffee Morning for Parents - 9:00 - Lower Hall

Thursday 9th October - Whole School Open Day - 9:30am and 5:00pm

Thursday 9th October- Year 2 Stay & Read - 8:35 - 9:00 - Lower Hall

Tuesday 14th October- Year 1 Stay & Read - 8:35 - 9:00 - Lower Hall

Thursday 16th October- Year 3 trip to The Botanical Gardens

Thursday 16th October- Reception Open Day - 9:30am and 5:00pm

Monday 20th October - SEND Parents' Coffee Morning - 9:00am - Lower Hall

Monday 20th October - Friday 24th October - Scholastic Book Fair - 3:20 - 3:45 - Lower Hall

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

Dear Year 6 Parents,

We would like to invite you to our ...

YEAR 6 SATs INFORMATION WORKSHOP

Thursday 2nd October 2025 - 2pm

This will be a valuable opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and gain key insights into the National Curriculum Standard Assessment Tests (SATs), which your child will be taking in May 2026. Important details will be shared to help you support your child through this important stage of their learning journey.



HALL GREEN HEALTH EVENT

SPORTS
WELLBEING WORKSHOP
HEIGHT / WEIGHT
ORAL HYGIENE ADVICE
BLOOD PRESSURE
HEALTHY EATING

MONDAY 6TH OCTOBER
9:30-11:30AM
ST PAUL'S VENTURE
MALVERN STREET
B12 8NN

For more information contact
Saira Hussain CEW
0121 464 6349

best start for life
forward steps
TOGETHER ST PAUL'S FAMILIES

NOTICE TO YEAR 6 PARENTS

WE WILL BE HOSTING WEEKLY SUPPORT SESSIONS FOR PARENTS/CARERS WHO WOULD LIKE HELP OR SUPPORT WITH THEIR CHILD'S YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS. MISS ANDREWS WILL BE HOSTING THESE SESSIONS EVERY MONDAY UNTIL THE END OF THE HALF TERM. PLEASE PHONE THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO BOOK A TIME SLOT.



LET'S CELEBRATE FAMOUS CHILDREN'S FILMS RELEASED OVER THE YEARS IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

COOMBS

MAINS
SPONGE BOB'S KRUSTY KRAB SPECIALS
BBQ CHICKEN/BBQ DUCK (V) CHEESY MELT
FISHFINGER SANDWICH WITH TARTARE SAUCE
FISHLESS FINGER SANDWICH WITH TARTARE SAUCE

SIDES
POKEMON POKERBLOCKS
TIMON'S BUGS (LION KING)
FINDING DORY CUCUMBER AND PEPPER STICKS

PUDDING
BRUCE BOGTROTTERS (MATILDA) CHOCOLATE FUDGE CAKE



THURSDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2025

APPLY NOW

FOR A RECEPTION PLACE FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

If your child will be aged four by 31st August 2026, you need to apply NOW for a school place.

Please visit
www.birmingham.gov.uk/admissions
to submit an online application

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS

JANUARY

15

STAR OF THE WEEK

YEAR 1

Mahir and Bader

Abdulrahman and Zarisha

YEAR 2

Asma and Abdullah

Ranya and Safa

YEAR 3

Absalat and Habibullah

Yara and Ahmed

YEAR 4

Amelia and Zakariyah

Zyra and Cheikh

YEAR 5

Yameen and Amelia

Omar and Mariam

YEAR 6

Harmony and Usmaan

Nila and Maida

WINNER

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

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

**GOLDEN TICKET
WINNERS**

Aylah and Salimah - Year 4

Zakarriyah - Year 5

Yusuf and Harmony - Year 6

YEAR 1

Jannah

YEAR 3

Isack

YEAR 4

Treasure

YEAR 5

Aylah

YEAR 6

Abdifatah

ATTENDANCE

SUPERHEROES OF THE WEEK

22

98%



30

96.4%



55

99.7%



BE AN ATTENDANCE HERO

Here Everyday Ready Ontime



Spelling Shed

CHAMPIONS

Congratulations

1st - Ibrahim - Y5P

2nd Joelle - Y5P

3rd Amelia - Y5P

26.9.25



ORACY CHAMPIONS OF THE WEEK



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

ORACY CHAMPIONS

YEAR 1

Zaiden and Manaal

YEAR 2

Mohamed and Joel

YEAR 3

Aisha and Sumaya
Inaaya and Isaac

YEAR 4

Abeeha, Zaid and
AbdulRaheem

YEAR 5

Turaab and Ajwa

YEAR 6

Ahmed and Arsalan

WEEK ONE

MONDAY

Mains

Chicken Makhani
Vegetable Makhani (V)

Battered Fish,
with Potato Wedges

Accompaniments

Boiled Rice, Naan Bread
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Ice Cream
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

TUESDAY

Mains

Beef Ragù, with Penne
Pasta & Garlic Slice

Cheese, Vegetable
& Potato Hash (V)

Accompaniments

Herby Diced Potatoes
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Strawberry
Mousse Cheesecake
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

WEDNESDAY

Mains

Chicken Sausage,
with Onion Gravy

Fishless Fingers with
Lemon Wedge &
Tartar Sauce (V)

Accompaniments

Mashed Potatoes
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Chocolate Concrete
with Pink Custard
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

THURSDAY

Mains

Cottage Pie

Vegetable Spring Rolls
with Oriental Noodles (V)

Accompaniments

Veg of the Day

Dessert

Iced Lemon Doughnuts
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

FRIDAY

Mains

BBQ Chicken Pizza

Margherita Pizza (V)

Accompaniments

Chipped Potatoes
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Oat Cookie
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Heath Mount Primary Menu

Available Daily

 Fresh Salad Cart

 Jacket potato
and Fillings

WEEK TWO

Mains

Chicken Pasta Bake
Vegetable Pasta Bake (V)
with Garlic Bread

Sea Stars, with Lemon
Wedge & Tartar Sauce

Accompaniments

Pomme Noisette &
Veg of the Day

Dessert

1/2 Belgian Waffle
with Toffee Sauce
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Mains

Chicken Jambalaya
Vegetable Jambalaya (V)
with Herb Flatbread

Battered Chicken Fillet

Accompaniments

Sauté Potatoes &
Veg of the Day

Dessert

Chocolate & Beetroot
Brownie with Custard
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Mains

Beef Lasagne
Vegetable Lasagne (V)
with Garlic Slice

Chicken/Quorn
Sausage Hot Dog (V)

Accompaniments

Pomme Noisette &
Veg of the Day

Dessert

Pancakes with Fruit
or Toffee Drizzle
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Mains

Sweet N' Sour Chicken
Vegetable Samosa,
with Curry Sauce (V)

Fish Fingers, with Lemon
Wedge & Tartar Sauce

Accompaniments

Boiled Rice, Potato Wedges
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Schooldays Tray Bake
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Mains

Chicken Tikka Pizza
Margherita Pizza (V)

Accompaniments

Chipped Potatoes
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Chocolate Cornflake Cake
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

WEEK THREE

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

Mains

Spicy Lamb Burger
Vegetable Burger (V)

Accompaniments

Paprika Sauté Potatoes
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Lemon Drizzle Cake
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Mains

Chicken Kebab
Vegetable Curry (V)

Accompaniments

Rice, Naan Bread &
Veg of the Day

Dessert

Toffee & Blueberry Muffin
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Mains

Beef Tacos
Vegetable Tacos (V)

Accompaniments

Battered Fish
Herb Diced Potatoes
& Veg of the Day

Dessert

Carrot Cake
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Mains

Cajun Chicken Pizza
Margherita Pizza (V)

Accompaniments

Chipped Potatoes &
Veg of the Day

Dessert

Chocolate Chip Cookie
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

W1: 1/9, 22/9,
13/10, 10/11, 1/12
W2: 8/9, 29/9,
20/10, 17/11, 8/12
W3: 15/9, 6/10,
3/11, 24/11, 15/12

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).

COOMBS
CATERING PARTNERSHIP

Attention Year 6 Parents/Carers!

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!

September

1st

**1 September 2025:
Applications open**

October

31st

**31 October 2025:
Applications close**

March

2nd

**2 March 2026:
Offer Day**

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.

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.**



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 articles below and talk about what they mean.



UNICEF Rights Respecting Schools

Article 7 - Name and Nationality

“Every child has the right to be registered at birth, to have a name and nationality, and, as far as possible, to know and be cared for by their parents.”



UNICEF Rights Respecting Schools

Article 8 - Identity

“Every child has the right to an identity. Governments must respect and protect that right, and prevent the child’s name, nationality or family relationships from being changed unlawfully.”

Exploring Article 7 & 8 - List as many things as you can think of that help to make you a **unique** and **wonderful** person!

Did you think of these?

- Appearance
- Talents
- Nationality
- Life story
- Name
- Religion
- Gender
- Sexual orientation
- Family
- Interests
- Ethnicity
- Skills
- Medical conditions
- Age
- Opportunities
- Experiences

Safeguarding at Heath Mount Primary School

Please see the safeguarding page on our school website:
Safeguarding – [Heath Mount Primary School \(excelsiormat.org\)](http://Heath Mount Primary School (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 0800 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.

