

HEATH MOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER



28TH MARCH 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Reading is a fundamental skill that plays a crucial role in a child's educational journey. It not only enhances fluency but also significantly improves comprehension. By engaging with a variety of texts, children develop a deeper understanding of language, expand their vocabulary, and strengthen their ability to interpret and analyse information. Encouraging regular reading habits at home and school can foster a lifelong love for learning and equip children with the tools they need to succeed academically and beyond. Reading at home, especially aloud to parents, is particularly beneficial. It creates a supportive environment where children can practice their reading skills, build confidence, and receive immediate feedback. This shared activity also strengthens the bond between parents and children, making reading a joyful and interactive experience.

This week, our Year 4 and 5 students participated in exciting Eid workshops, celebrating the rich cultural heritage and traditions associated with this festive occasion. The children engaged in various arts and crafts activities, creating beautiful decorations and learning about the significance of Eid. These workshops provided a wonderful opportunity for students to express their creativity, collaborate with peers, and gain a deeper appreciation for the diverse cultures within our community. We are proud of their enthusiasm and the fantastic learning they produced!

As we approach the celebration of Eid, we would like to extend our warmest wishes to all those who are observing this special occasion. Eid Mubarak! May this joyful time bring peace, happiness, and prosperity to you and your loved ones.

Eid is a time for family, reflection, and giving, and we celebrate the rich diversity that makes our school community so special. Let's continue to show kindness, respect and understanding to all.

Wishing everyone a wonderful and blessed Eid.

Miss Cross

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 9th April - Year 3 visit to The Library of Birmingham

Thursday 10th April - Easter Bonnet Parade at 2:30pm

Thursday 10th April - Year 4 & Year 5 Cricket Tournament at King Edward's School

Friday 11th April - School closes at 1pm for the Easter Break

Attendance

What happens if I book a holiday during term time?

A single parent with one child planning to take a one week holiday during term time...

Your holiday will not be authorised, and we strongly advise you to speak with the school before making any bookings. Since your child will miss 5 school days, a penalty notice fine will be issued. The fine is £160, but if paid within 21 days, it will be reduced to £80.

A penalty will be issued for each child.

£160 + £160 + £160



3 x children + 1 parent = £480
reduced to £240 if paid within 21 days

For a family with 2 parents.

£160 + £160 + £160



3 x children + 2 parents = £960
reduced to £480 if paid within 21 days

If, in any period within three years, your child has a second and third leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance:

2nd Time

2 Parents and...

1 x child = £320

2 x children = £640

3 x children = £960

No discount for early payment



3rd Time

A penalty notice fine will not be given and your case will be taken to court.

A magistrate can fine each parent £2,500 for each child.

1 parent & 4 children = £10,000

2 parents & 4 children = £20,000

10 in 10

Irregular Attendance

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions (5 days) in 10 weeks, and their absences are unauthorised, you may be prosecuted.

1 day = 2 sessions



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PE TIMETABLE

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | Friday |
|--------------------|---|---------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Year 6 Class 1B | Class 1PB Class 5B Class 5S (Swimming) | Year 3 Class 2RZ | Class 4A Class 4P Class 2Z | Reception |



Plain, white T-Shirt/polo shirt
A blue school jumper in cold weather
Black shorts, plain black tracksuit bottoms or black leggings
Trainers/black pumps
Elasticated blue, black or white headscarf (if appropriate)

Children must wear their PE uniform from home on the day of their PE lesson

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

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

- Reception - Zaiden
- Year 1 – Asma
- Year 2 – Yara
- Year 3 – Aya
- Year 4 – Maryam
- Year 5 - Sepehr
- Year 6 – Nadia



NUMBOTS

WELL DONE EVERYBODY!

TOP 3 PUPILS WITH THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF MINUTES PLAYED OUT OF EVERYONE IN Year 6, Year 5, Year 2 IN THE LAST 7 DAYS ARE...

Arjun K. 1st, Safa M. 2nd, Eyad I. 3rd

TOP 3 PUPILS WITH THE HIGHEST IMPROVEMENT IN ACCURACY OUT OF EVERYONE IN Year 6, Year 5, Year 2 IN THE LAST 7 DAYS ARE...

Absalat F. 1st, Nicole M. 2nd, Zaidan A. 3rd

TOP 3 PUPILS BASED ON... BIGGEST IMPROVEMENT IN STUDIO SPEED OVER THE LAST 7 DAYS OUT OF EVERYONE IN YEAR 3, YEAR 4, YEAR 5, YEAR 6 ARE...

LINA M. 2ND PLACE, MARYAM M. 1ST PLACE, MAIRA I. 3RD PLACE

TOP 3 PUPILS BASED ON... BIGGEST IMPROVEMENT IN ACCURACY OVER THE LAST 7 DAYS OUT OF EVERYONE IN YEAR 3, YEAR 4, YEAR 5, YEAR 6 ARE...

RAI-YAN M. 2ND PLACE, SUNDUS H. 1ST PLACE, AMAAN U. 3RD PLACE

Spelling Shed

CHAMPIONS

Congratulations

1st Ibrahim Y5
2nd Sephr Y5
3rd Abu-Bakr Y4

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HEATH MOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL, Spelling Shed champion!, Excelsior

Star of the Week

- Reception – Ayaan and Joanna
- Year 1 – Safa and Raheail Abdullah and Haleema
- Year 2 – Miryan and Absalat Livia and Faith
- Year 3 – Hamza and Musa Safa and Amelia
- Year 4 – Lina M and Abu-Bakr Yameen and Rai-Yan
- Year 5 – Yasmin and Arsalan Amani and Dareen
- Year 6 – Huda and Noah Marwan and Saifullah

OUR EXCELSIOR VALUES

EACH WEEK, OUR STAFF CHOOSE A CHILD WHO HAS DEMONSTRATED ONE OR MORE OF OUR EXCELSIOR VALUES IN AN EXCEPTIONAL WAY. THIS WEEK, WE ARE CELEBRATING CHILDREN WHO HAVE DISPLAYED RESPECTFUL LINING UP.

RESPECTFUL LINING UP AWARD

- Reception – Manaal
- Year 1 – Umar and Arjun
- Year 2 – Khadija and Nesmah
- Year 3 – Ahmed, Abeeha, Asaad and Jenna
- Year 4 – Joelle and Maya
- Year 5 – Zakariyyah and Hilijja
- Year 6 – Zainab and Diana

Well done to all the children who have been in school every day and on time.

The classes with the highest attendance in each phase group last week are as follows;

Attendance of the Week

| EYFS & Key Stage 1 | |
|--------------------|-------|
| 2Z | 99.1% |
| Lower Key Stage 2 | |
| 3A | 96.8% |
| Upper Key Stage 2 | |
| 5S | 97.4% |

Be an attendance HERO
Here Everyday Ready Ontime

HEATH MOUNT WRAP-AROUND CLUB

For more details, contact the School Office

Mondays - Thursdays: 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm
Fridays: 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm

£5 per session. Payment must be made **in advance** on arrival to reserve your child's place at the clubs. Places are allocated on a first come, first served basis.

ALL YEAR GROUPS WELCOME!

ART AND CRAFTS ACTIVITIES
 Express yourself and unleash your skills

JUST DANCE
 Keep fit and have lots of fun learning new dance moves!

LEGO
 Come along and create your own Lego creations!

HOT WHEELS RACE TRACK
 Design a race track and launch your cars!

BOARD GAMES

BRAINY ADVENTURES
 Join the Chess Club or the Board Games Club and sharpen your mind!

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Excelsior Multi-Academy Trust

HEATH MOUNT PRIMARY MENU

WEEK 3
 20/01, 10/02, 10/03, 31/03

MONDAY

- Homemade Chicken & Leek Pie
- Fish Fingers
- Served with Lemon Wedge & Tartare Sauce
- Vegetarian Sausage (V)
- Spiced Potato Wedges
- Veg of the Day
- Raspberry & Vanilla Ice Cream Cake
- Fresh Fruit/Jelly

THURSDAY

- Spicy Beef Pizza with a Sweet Chilli Dip
- Margherita Pizza (V)
- Chipped Potatoes
- Veg of the Day
- Lemon Drizzle Cake
- Fresh Fruit/Jelly

TUESDAY

- Chicken Burger
- Vegetable Burger (V)
- Paprika Sauté Potatoes
- Veg of the Day
- Chocolate Concrete with Custard/Fresh Fruit/Jelly

FRIDAY

- Chinese Chicken Curry Served with Steamed Rice
- Vegetable Samosa Served with Steamed Rice & Curry Sauce (V)
- Five Spice Wedges
- Veg of the Day
- Fruit Shortbread
- Fresh Fruit/Jelly

WEDNESDAY

- Roast Beef
- 3 Cheese & Roast Vegetable
- Parsley Pasta Bake (V)
- Crunchy Roasts
- Veg of the Day
- Marble Sponge
- Fresh Fruit/Jelly

AVAILABLE DAILY

- Fresh Salad Cart
- Jacket Potato with Fillings

ALL MEALS ARE HALAL

VEGETARIAN

STAY HYDRATED

COOMBS

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).

Hop on over for our EASTER Bonnet Parade

Join us on **10th April at 2:30pm - Lower Playground** for some egg-citing fun!

The Easter Bonnet Competition will be open to Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 pupils. Bring your dazzling, creative bonnets in to school on 10th April to take part in the parade. The winning entries will be announced on the day.

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HEATH MOUNT PRIMARY PRESENTS THE EASTER EGG DIORAMA

WE WILL BE HOLDING OUR ANNUAL EGG DIORAMA COMPETITION FOR YEAR 3 - YEAR 6 PUPILS ON MONDAY 7TH APRIL. CREATE YOUR EGG DIORAMA BY YOURSELF, WITH YOUR FRIENDS OR GET YOUR FAMILY TO JOIN TO!

THE WINNING ENTRIES WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE EASTER ASSEMBLY ON 11TH APRIL