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

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

For a family with 2 parents. £160 + £160 + £160

If, in any period within three years, your child has a second and third leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance: 3rd Time



2nd Time 2 Parents and... $1 \times \text{child} = £320$ $2 \times \text{children} = £640$ $3 \times \text{children} = £960$ No discount for early payment

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



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.









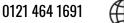


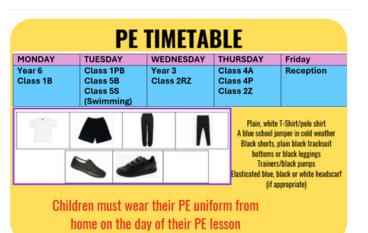












HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY Well done to all the children who have been nominated. This week's winners are: Reception - Zaiden Year 1 - Asma Year 2 - Yara Year 3 - Aya Year 4 - Maryam Year 5 - Sepehr Year 6 - Nadia





















