### **HEATH MOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL**



### **NEWSLETTER**



3rd October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you are well and have had a good week.

Year 5 had a fantastic time on their trip to Stratford. Their behaviour and attitudes while learning about the Tudors were exemplary and we received lovely feedback. We are very proud of you all!

Thank you to all of the parents and carers that attended the year 6 SATS meeting yesterday. We hope that you gained a valuable insight into what the children are currently learning. If you were unable to attend, we will repeat the session in the spring term.

Lastly, I would like to thank you all for your co-operation at home time. Mrs Pulley, our CEO has asked all headteachers to be present on the playgrounds which means that I will no longer be standing outside of the school gates. During the week, I will rotate around our three entrances/exits so that I get to see you all.

Take care and I hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Samuel HeadTeacher

#### **Timings of the School Day**

Please remember: School starts for all children at 8:35am.

School finishes at 3:15pm (Reception) and 3:20pm (Years 1 - 6).

School finishes for all pupils at 1pm every Friday.

Please make sure that you arrive and collect your child on time every day.



#### PE TIMETABLE



**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

# Dates For Your Diary

Monday 6th October - Year 2 Birmingham City Centre walking tour

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 16<sup>th</sup> October- Year 3 trip to The Botanical Gardens

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

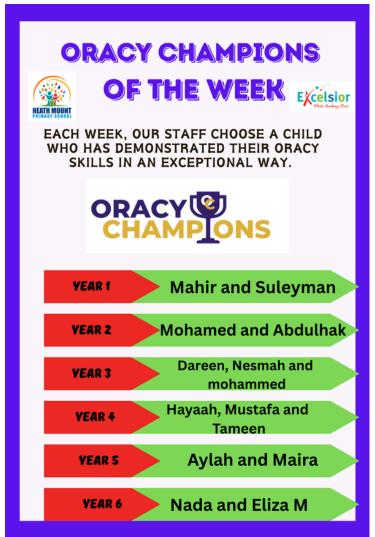
Monday 20th October - SEND Parents' Coffee Morning - 9:00am Lower Hall

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Scholastic Book Fair - 3:20 - 3:45 Lower Hall

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October - Half Term

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

**Tuesday 4th November - School re-opens for pupils** 







#### 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

#### Mains

TUESDAY

Beef Ragu, 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

Chicken Jambalaya Vegetable Jambalaya (V) with Herb Flatbread

**Battered Chicken Fillet** 

Accompaniments Sauté Potatoes &

nessert

Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Beef Lasagne Vegetable Lasagne (V) with Garlic Slice

Sausage Hot Dog (V)

Accompaniments Pomme Noisette &

Dessert

Pancakes with Fruit or Toffee Drizzle

#### THURSDAY

#### Mains

Cottage Pie

Vegetable Spring Rolls with Oriental Noodles (V)

Accompaniments Veg of the Day Dessert

Iced Lemon Doughnuts Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

#### Mains

FRIDAY

BBQ Chicken Pizza

Margherita Pizza (V)

Accompaniments

**Chipped Potatoes** & Veg of the Day

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Oat Cookie Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

# Heath Mount Primary

Available Daily

Fresh salad Cart

Jacket Potato and Fillings



#### COOMBS

#### 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/Yoghurf

#### Mains

Veg of the Day

Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie with Custard

#### Mains

EDNESDAY

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

Chicken/Quorn

Veg of the Day

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

#### Chicken Tikka Pizza

Mains

Margherita Pizza (V)

Accompaniments **Chipped Potatoes** & Vea of the Day

Dessert

Chocolate Cornflake Cake Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

#### Mains

Creamy Chicken & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake

Macaroni Cheese (V)

Accompaniments

Garlic Slice & Veg of the Day

#### Dessert

Vanilla & Raspberry Ice Cream Cake Fresh Fruit/Yoahurt

#### 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)

**Battered Fish** 

#### Accompaniments Herb Diced Potatoes

#### 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,

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).

# 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!









# RECEPTION OPEN DAY



IS YOUR CHILD BORN BETWEEN 1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021 - AUGUST 2022?

Is your child due to start reception in September 2026?

Come and see our provision and meet our staff!

#### 1st Session:

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 9:30am

#### 2nd Session:

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 5:00pm



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#### **Attention Year 6 Parents/Carers!**

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





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You'll need to submit your application by

31 October 2025

www.birmingham.gov.uk/ schooladmissions to get started

### Dates to remember!



1st

1 September 2025: **Applications open** 



2nd

2 March 2026: Offer Day



**31st** 

31 October 2025: **Applications close** 

#### 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

- Attend any open events at your preferred secondary schools.
- Look at each school's website and
- Think about how your child will travel to
- Check the admission criteria of the schools.
- Does your child meet the criteria? Distance from the school is an important
- 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

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 2 - No Discrimination

"The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background."



# UNICEF Rights Respecting Schools Article 30 - Minority, Culture, Language and Religion

"Every child has the right to learn and use the language, customs and religion of their family, whether or not these are shared by the majority of the people in the country where they live."

**Exploring Article 2 & 30** - Why do you think celebrating Black History Month is **important**?

#### Did you think of these?

- To recognise the contribution and achievements of those with African and Caribbean heritage throughout history.
- · To ensure that we hear a diverse range of stories when considering the past.
- · To celebrate people's heritage and cultures.
- Because all communities, including schools, should encourage respect for everyone and celebrate diversity and inclusion.
- To think about how we can make the world a more equal place where everyone's rights are respected.
- To learn how to challenge negative stereotypes.
- To ensure that there is time and space for people to discuss more recent events and issues such as Black Lives Matter, the treatment of the Windrush generation and the death of George Floyd.
- · Because no one should be treated differently because of who they are.
- To learn about racism and its effects.
- To support people to recognise and challenge discrimination.





### Safeguarding at Heath Mount Primary School

Please see the safeguarding page on our school website: Safeguarding – <u>Heath Mount Primary School (excelsiormat.org)</u>

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: <a href="mailto:enquiry@heathmount.excelsiormat.org">enquiry@heathmount.excelsiormat.org</a>. Our DSLs are:





### Meet your safeguarding team:



Mrs Samuel Headteacher, SENCO & Lead DSL



Miss Taylor Pastoral Manage Deputy DSL



Mrs Yafai HLTA Deputy DSL



Mrs Smith HLTA Deputy DSL



Miss Brook Teacher Deputy DSL



Miss Bi Office Manage DSO



#### 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.

## NSPCC Curulty to children must stop. FULL STOP.

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

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 <u>0808 800 5000</u>, email <u>help@NSPCC.org.uk</u>, or <u>submit our online form</u> — we can help. We also have advice about <u>spotting the signs of abuse</u>.

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.





