

# North Heath Community Primary School



Are you thinking about a school place for  
September 2021?

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North Heath Community Primary School has a well-deserved reputation for high standards and a thoroughly engaging curriculum. We offer a high quality educational environment in which children are encouraged and motivated to learn.

At North Heath Community Primary we are committed to providing a welcoming atmosphere where staff and children work together to create a happy, safe, caring and stimulating learning environment in partnership with parent/s / carer/s, and the local community.

Whilst West Sussex are not promoting Open Evenings and tours this year due to Covid – 19, we are here to answer any questions you may have.

Contact [office@northheathprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@northheathprimary.co.uk) or call 01403 254790 to book a conversation with one of our team now.

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. What can we do to help our child before they start?

#### Useful skills to work on are:

Hanging up a coat	✓
Tidying toys away	✓
Saying please and thank you	✓
Recognising letters	✓
Writing their name	✓
Taking turns	✓
Put on their own clothes	✓
Apologising where necessary	✓
Counting to 5 and recognising the numbers 1 to 5	✓

#### Can you tick them all yet?

### 2. What is the provision for child care in the local area?

**Popular breakfast and after school care, delivered by Rocketeers, is available on site.**

<https://rocketeerschildcare.co.uk/>

**The area is well served by Ofsted registered providers.**

<https://www.childcare.co.uk/search/Childminders/Horsham/Ofsted-Registered>

#### What sports do you offer?

**We pride ourselves on the wide range offered at North Heath:**

- Dance, gymnastics, invasion games and swimming within PE lessons
- Football, Dance, Cricket and Golf coaching run in partnership with outside providers
- Involvement in competitions – District Sports, Tag Rugby, Hockey, Netball, Rounders, Cross Country
- Country dancing leading to the annual festival in Horsham Park
- We also have a new running track on our substantial field to help promote exercise all year round

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## **3. Do you run any clubs?**

**Clubs are run by teachers and outside providers. In the last year, clubs have included:**

Football	Dance	Choir	Drumming	Coding
Netball	Rugby	Homework	Karate	Baking

## **4. My child has medical needs – what training do you have in place to help?**

Adults in school are trained annually in Epipen use, Diabetes, Epilepsy and administering medicines. The medicines policy is available on our website should you wish for additional information. All support staff have first aid training.

We also have an Intimate Care Policy, which outlines any procedures required should other medical needs such as toileting be an issue.

## **5. What Educational Visits will my child go on?**

**Recently, trips have included:**

- YR – Washbrooks Farm, Horsham Library
- Y1 – Toy Museum, Arundel Wetlands
- Y2 – Fire station, Drusillas
- Y3 – Butser, Warnham Nature Reserve
- Y4 – Bignor Roman Villa, Ask Horsham
- Y5 – Sayers Croft Residential, Hampton Court
- Y6 – Marwell Zoo, Fairthorne Manor Residential, Holbrook Club Games Week

## **6. I think my child may need additional support with their learning. How will you ensure that their needs are met?**

**For children with special needs, and for able children, we can provide:**

- Quality teaching from highly trained teachers
- Additional group work with precise planning for the level of need
- Professional support and agency links via our Inclusion Co-ordinator

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## 7. Will my child have an opportunity to play an instrument?

### The creative curriculum is alive and well at North Heath!

- Music is part of the National Curriculum and is taught throughout the school
- Y3 currently learn how to play the recorder
- West Sussex Music Service provide professional support for Y4 in learning an instrument (flute or clarinet)
- Peripatetic teachers also provide guitar, piano, saxophone, flute and clarinet lessons
- All children have an opportunity to sing to their families and to the school in class assemblies, year group productions and Christmas shows

## 8. What are your academic standards like?

### We take pride in our pupils leaving North Heath as good citizens as well as them having attained highly through a positive attitude to learning.

Tests take place in all schools in Year 6 – these are our 2019 results

Subject	% Meeting Age Related Expectations			% at Higher Level		
	North Heath	West Sussex	National	North Heath	West Sussex	National
Mathematics <b>Test</b>	<b>84</b>	76	79	<b>44</b>	23	27
Reading <b>Test</b>	<b>91</b>	73	73	<b>44</b>	27	27
Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling <b>Test</b>	<b>93</b>	75	78	<b>51</b>	31	36
Writing <b>Teacher Assessment</b>	<b>81</b>	76	78	<b>14</b>	13	20

### Average Scaled Score

	North Heath	West Sussex	National
Reading	<b>108.5</b>	104.5	104.4
Mathematics	<b>107.2</b>	104.4	105
GPS	<b>109.5</b>	105.4	106.3

There are no results for English Schools in 2020

### North Heath continues to perform well above County and National

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## **9. How does the local authority rate the school?**

Schools are currently graded either as a 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C or a 4 by West Sussex School Improvement Partners.

4 is the lowest grade, requiring a lot of support.

**As a result of high standards being maintained over many years, we are proud to be currently rated at 2A.**

## **10. What are your current priorities as a school?**

We are working to ensure that:

- The broad and balanced curriculum is safely reintroduced following national school closures due to Covid – 19
- Current and historic high standards are maintained in Reception
- Y1 phonics pass rate remains well above national
- A passion for books and reading continues to enhance pupil outcomes
- Y4 pupils are well prepared for a new online multiplication check
- Teaching strategies ensure progress for all ability groups in writing
- Teaching continues to deepen the learning for the most able pupils

Still interested?

Call 01403 254790 for a conversation and take a look at our virtual tour available on our website.

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North Heath is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.
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**2018**

**Top 10%** of West Sussex Schools for pupils meeting the expected standard across all subjects

**Top 10%** of West Sussex Schools for able pupils achieving the higher standard

**Top 20%** of schools nationally for progress with reading

**2019**

Progress in reading is in the **top 10%** of all schools nationally

Progress in mathematics is in the **top 12%** of all schools nationally

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