

North Heath Community Primary School



Are you thinking about a school place for
September 2023?

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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 School 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.

This year, we are offering tours of our school on **Monday 7 November and Monday 14 November from 10.00 – 11.00 AM.**

Contact office@northheathprimary.co.uk or call 01403 254790 to book a place on the tour with one of our team now.

In addition, you are invited to our **Showcase Evening on Thursday 10 November from 5.30 – 7.00 PM** so that you can meet our teachers and see how our pupils journey through the school.

We look forward to welcoming you.

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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 some letter sounds	✓
Writing their name	✓
Taking turns	✓
Putting on their own clothes	✓
Apologising where necessary	✓
Counting to 5 and recognising the numbers 1 to 5	✓
Using cutlery	✓

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 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. Popular clubs have included:

Football	Dance	Choir	Art	Coding
Netball	Rugby	Homework	Science	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?

Usual trips include:

- 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?

There are currently no comparative primary school national test results for 2020 - 22.

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 Test	84	76	79	44	23	27
Reading Test	91	73	73	44	27	27
Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Test	93	75	78	51	31	36
Writing Teacher Assessment	81	76	78	14	13	20

Average Scaled Score

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

North Heath pupils continue to perform exceptionally well and 2022 data is expected soon

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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 rated at 2A.

10. What are your current priorities as a school?

We are working to ensure that:

- **By September 2023 – extended, bespoke outdoor provision is provided for Reception classes**
- Teaching of knowledge and skills continue to deepen learning across all subject areas
- A passion for books and reading continues to enhance pupil outcomes
- Teaching strategies ensure progress for all ability groups in writing
- Phonics pass rate remains well above national

Still interested?

Call 01403 254790 for a visit 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

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

Top 8 % of schools nationally for attendance

2020 – 21

No data due to Covid

2022

Reading attainment significantly **above** national and in the **highest** 20%

Mathematics attainment significantly **above** national and in the **highest** 20%

Absence in the **lowest** 20% of all schools.

Standards remain extremely high

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