

North Heath Community Primary School



Are you thinking about a school place for
September 2024?

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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 6 November and Monday 13 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 9 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 Sport Skills Coaching run in partnership with outside providers
- Involvement in competitions – District Sports, Tag Rugby, Hockey, Netball, Rounders, Cross Country and Cricket
- 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, Tilgate Park
- Y2 – RNLI, Drusillas
- Y3 – Warnham Nature Reserve, Horsham Park
- Y4 – Bignor Roman Villa, Arundel Wetlands
- Y5 – Sayers Croft Residential, Hampton Court
- Y6 – Marwell Zoo, Fairthorne Manor Residential

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
- Y4 learn to play the clarinet
- Peripatetic teachers also provide guitar, piano, saxophone, flute, clarinet and 'Rocksteady' 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?

Tests take place in all schools in Year 6 – these are our **2023 results**

Subject	% Meeting Age Related Expectations		% at Higher Level	
	North Heath	West Sussex	North Heath	West Sussex
Mathematics Test	83	70	23	20
Reading Test	84	72	42	29
Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Test	83	69	40	25
Writing Teacher Assessment	71	66	11	9

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.

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10. What are your current priorities as a school?

We are working to ensure that we:

- **Extend bespoke outdoor provision for Reception classes**
- Use retrieval practice to help pupils remember more
- Ensure progress for all ability groups in writing and mathematics

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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