### At Enfield Heights Academy, we are KIND, RESPECTFUL, RESILIENT and BRAVE. We are the Force for Positive Change.

2nd September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### On behalf of the whole school team, we wish you all a huge WELCOME.

We hope you are enjoying the last few days of the summer holidays and have had a wonderful break so far. We hope you are feeling happy, refreshed and ready for our return to school on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September, the new academic year full of fun and learning.

As the headteacher, I feel extremely proud and thankful to a great staff team I work with and the positive and respectful partnerships with parents and cares.

**Stronger together!** I look forward to my fourth year at Enfield Heights Academy and trust we can reach for more stars together.

#### Here are few important reminders:

#### Our school

Enfield Heights Academy is a school that prides itself on being able to balance warm, friendly, family like ethos alongside high standards and high expectations for everyone. So, in everything we do, we try to make everything as regulated and optimal as possible so that we can collectively achieve our school aim.

As an ambitious school we are always in search of 'Being Force for Positive Change and following our school values.













This welcome letter is full of rules, routines and collective expectations. These are designed to keep everyone happy and safe and provide an agreed framework in which we can all work and learn effectively. By collectively abiding to the agreements, we also demonstrate a commitment to working together, learning and having fun. Please take some time to read all the agreements, share them with your children and family to ensure that we are all familiar with them and please align with them so that we are all pulling in the same direction.

We know that there is a lot here, but as it is the start of the term, we wanted to put everything all in one place so that it is easy to refer to.

#### **Back to School Information**

#### Drop Off and Collection (2025-2026) change to pick up times

#### School ends at 3.25pm

Year Group	Start time	Finish time Palmers Lane
Reception *When full time	8:45am (Pitfield Way)	3:25pm
Year 1	8:45am (Palmers Lane)	3:25pm
Year 2	8:45am (Palmers Lane)	3:25pm
Year 3	8:45am (Palmers Lane)	3:25pm
Year 4	8:45am (Palmers Lane)	3:25pm
Year 5	8:45am (Pitfield Way)	3:25pm
Year 6	8:45am(Pitfield Way)	3:25pm

#### Please note that this remains unchanged:

• No parents will be allowed on site during morning drop off (except for Reception).

New Year 1 children: For Autumn 1 term only (September and October) parents and carers are welcome to come in on site to take their child to Year 1 classroom door if children are unsettled at the start of their new routine. Thank you

#### Communication

As a school, we aim to communicate regularly and efficiently, so that you know what is going on and coming up at Enfield Heights Academy. I was very pleased that the recent Trust Survey (July 25) showed very high levels of satisfaction. Top line results for us:

- 100% of children are happy at school (above 84% nationally)
- 100% of children are feel safe at school (above 84% nationally)
- 95.3% of families are pleased with their child's progress (above 82% nationally)

Thank you for offering your views; your feedback is important to us so that we can continue improving the school to benefit all the children and reflect the needs of our community.



#### We plan to communicate with you this year in the following ways:

- Regular reminder emails and biweekly news roundup of upcoming events and important information
- a half-termly newsletter celebrating children's learning
- our active website and social media platforms including Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.
- Tapestry for Reception this will be updated regularly with observations as well as additional information.

-Face to Face information meetings, workshops and coffee mornings for parents and carers. We have taken onboard your comments and scheduled some workshops in the afternoons.

Key dates for your diary will feature in our 'roundup' information but we also have a calendar on our website with dates of key events. Please note that all dates are subject to change. We will endeavour to give as much notice as possible for new dates.

#### **Key Dates for your diary – 2025-2026**

I have put together a document containing some key dates and times for your diary for this academic year. Please find this attached - it includes INSET Days, Class Assemblies, Community coffee Meet Ups, Statutory Assessment Dates and much more. I hope this is useful for forward planning. There will be more events coming up and I will communicate the relevant dates once they become confirmed.

#### Meet the Team in the school Hall

Please join us to meet the Year Group team and find out about what your children will be learning this year. Please come through the gate on Pitfield Way/Play Nest and into the school's hall. The information will be uploaded onto the website after the meeting if you are unable to attend.

All sessions will be at 9am-9.45am. Year 6 session will be combined with the Secondary Transfer Meeting and a presentation from Arthur Barzey, the headteacher of Heron Hall Academy.

Year Group	Date and Time	
Reception	Home Visits Thursday 4th- Wednesday 10th September	
	(separate letter with dates sent)	
Year 1	Friday 5th September at 9-9.45am	
Year 2	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> September at 9-9.45am	
Year 3	Tuesday 9th September at 9-9.45am	
Year 4	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> September at 9-9.45am	
Year 5	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> September at 9-9.45am	
Year 6	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September at 9-10.30am	
	(Combined with Secondary Transfer Meeting)	

#### Reminder Re: Reducing Smartphone Use in Childhood -No Smart Phones from September

As per letter from 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (available on our website), we would like to kindly remind you that from 1st September 2025, Primary School aged children will not be allowed to bring a smartphone to school, and that the new cohort of students joining Year 7 at Secondary School will not be allowed to bring a smartphone to school for the duration of their studies from Years 7-11.

We also ask that you delay allowing your child to have a smartphone at all until they are aged 14 or older, and to delay access to social media until they are 16.

#### Clubs

We will be running a range of clubs this year. Please check Arbor for available clubs to book a place for your child. Clubs will start on 15th September. **Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club** will start on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September - please contact the school's office for more details.



#### **Correct Uniform**

Please remember that it is important that all children are wearing the correct school uniform from YR-Y6. We expect children to adhere to the school's uniform policy. We have planned a uniform check for Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September and will schedule regular reminders regarding the importance of wearing correct uniform.

Here is a quick reminder of our school uniform requirements:

Winter Uniform	<ul> <li>White collared shirt (long or short sleeved) – no polo shirts</li> <li>V-neck grey jumper or cardigan with the school logo</li> <li>School tie (elastic for KS1 and Reception, full tie for KS2)</li> <li>Grey skirt or grey pinafore or</li> <li>Grey trousers or grey shorts</li> <li>White, dark grey or black tights</li> <li>Black, grey or white socks</li> <li>Black shoes</li> </ul>	
Summer Uniform	As above plus:	
	<ul> <li>Red and White Gingham dress for Summer</li> </ul>	
	Grey trousers or grey shorts	

Indoor PE kit	Outdoor PE kit
Black shorts or Black jogging bottoms	Black shorts or Black jogging bottoms
White round neck PE T-shirt	White round neck PE T-shirt
Black sweatshirt with school logo	Black sweatshirt with school logo
Black plimsolls	Black plimsolls
	Trainers

For more information, please refer to our uniform letter on the school website.

Please remember to label all uniform and PE kit with your child's full name.

If you require uniform support, please speak to a member of the Senior Leadership Team via the school office.

#### **School Bags**

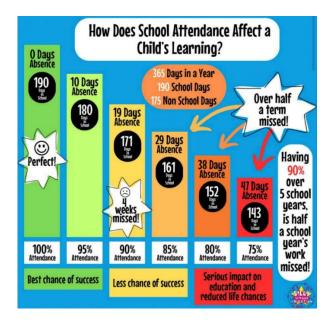
All children require an Academy book bag bearing the school logo, these can also be obtained from Smiths School wear

Coats need to be black as well as plain black, burgundy or grey hats/sunhats worn. All long hair must be tied back.

#### **Attendance and Punctuality**

We believe that regular attendance is clearly linked to pupils making good progress in their learning. It ensures that pupils settle into school and experience the stability and security they need in order to achieve their best. At a minimum we expect children to be in school for 96% of the time. This can still equate to 8 days of learning missed. If your child's attendance drops down to below 90%, this means almost 4 weeks of lost learning!

As a school, we do not authorise holidays during term time and regularly review the attendance of every child. Below is an important infographic showing just how important good attendance is as well as a link to support you making a decision as to whether to send your child to school or not when they are unwell: <u>Is my child too</u> ill for school?





#### WHO CAN I TALK TO? Queries/Concerns

We are always available to hear your concerns and strive to resolve them in good time. We kindly ask that you follow the following pathway of communication:

- 1. If there is a problem, **please speak to the class teacher/teaching assistant <u>first.</u>** If you need a meeting, email the office for the attention on the teacher you need.
- 2. You can also speak to Mrs Salik (Year 1,2, 3 Teaching and Learning Lead) or Mr Currie (Year 4,5,6 Teaching and Learning Lead) to find answers to your queries and get help to resolve your concerns.
- 3. If your matter has not been resolved, please request a meeting with /inform Mr Venn, the Deputy Headteacher (via office)
- 4. If you are still concerned and situation has not been resolved, request an appointment with me by emailing or calling the office at heights@northstartrust.org.uk / 020 8805 9811

A member of SLT is on the gate on most mornings and are always happy to help.

Please contact the office if you need to make an appointment - you will be asked what the issue is concerning so that the concern will be directed to the correct person.

SEN concerns should be directed to Mrs Moore, our new Inclusion and SEND lead. Her working days are Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

If you need any help or support with helping your child to attend school, please do get in touch so that we can support you. THANK YOU



Whilst we do everything, we can make sure that they are safe, children do fall over and getting the occasional bruise is part of growing up! Our staff are trained to attend to the children and will treat all bumps and bruises.

If a child has bumped their head, you will receive a call from a member of staff to make you aware, an email message will be sent too. The children in YR –Year 2 will also wear a green colored wrist band as a visual reminder that they have been to the medical room. Our Welfare office is Mrs Jiagoo.

If your child has vomited or had diarrhea you would be asked to collect your child immediately and keep them off school for 48 hours.

#### **Medication in School**

We need to know if your child has a medical problem or allergies which might affect them in school. If your child uses an inhaler, we can supervise its use during the school day. Please note that medication is not administered by staff unless it is part of an emergency care plan which has been agreed by the head teacher.

Please make sure that we have your up to date contact number in case we need to get hold of you.

#### Lunchtimes

Your child can either have a school dinner or bring in a packed lunch. All children are entitled to a Universal Free School Meal and **no payment is required**.

Fizzy drinks and sweets/chocolates are not allowed in packed lunch boxes.

Enfield Heights Academy is a <u>NUT FREE</u> school. Please do not include any items in lunch boxes that contain nuts, such as 'Nutella', peanut butter sandwiches or other nut items.

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 4th September at 8.45am, except Reception children who will be having their home visits.

With my very best wishes,

Headteacher

# **Enfield Heights Academy Key Dates for Your Diary 2025-2026**

Please note that some dates are subject to change – we will endeavour to give as much notice as possible for new dates.

## INSET Days School closed for staff training

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July

#### **Term Dates**

For term dates see our website. Please click here:

<u>Term Dates 2025-26 | Enfield Heights</u>

#### **Meet the Team**

Please join us to meet the Year Group team and find out about what your children will be learning this year.

Year Group	Date and Time
Reception	Home Visits Thursday 4th- Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September (separate letter with dates sent)
Year 1	Friday 5th September at 9-9.45am
Year 2	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> September at 9-9.45am
Year 3	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> September at 9-9.45am
Year 4	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> September at 9-9.45am
Year 5	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> September at 9-9.45am
Year 6	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September at 9-10.30am
	(Combined with Secondary Transfer Meeting)

#### **Statutory Assessment Dates**

Parents and Carers are not required to do anything. This is only for your information; if you have any questions about the assessments, please come and ask us.

Year Group	Assessment and Date	
Reception	Baseline Assessments – Autumn 1	
Year 1	Phonics Assessments – wc 8th June	
Year 4	Multiplication Check (MTC) – wc 1 <sup>st</sup> - and 8 <sup>th</sup> June	
Year 6	KS2 SATs – 11 <sup>th</sup> 14 <sup>th</sup> May	

#### **Class Assemblies**

As part of our commitment to our parent partnership, you are invited to our special class assemblies next year. Class assemblies will be at 9:00am-9.30am in the school hall and will aim to have at least one other year group in the hall to watch. These special assemblies will demonstrate children's learning and give you an insight into what children have been up to in class. Separate invitations will be sent out to parents/carers nearer the time to each assembly.

Year group	Date/Time	Year group	Date/Time
Reception	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> December
Year 1	Thursday 21st May	Year 5	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 2	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October
Year 3	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March		

#### **Community Coffee Meet Ups (slight change)**

We will continue our Community Meet Ups once a month on a Thursday. We tried to accommodate the request made by parents and carers to host some of the sessions in the afternoons. The meetings will be themed and held in our school hall. More information in News Round Up letters.

Dates for your diary:
18th September at 2-3pm
23<sup>rd</sup> October at 9-10am
20<sup>th</sup> November at 2-3pm
22<sup>nd</sup> January at 9-10am
19<sup>th</sup> March at 2-3pm

23<sup>rd</sup> April at 9-10am 21<sup>st</sup> May at 2-3pm 25<sup>th</sup> Jun at 9-10am 9<sup>th</sup> July at 2-3pm.

Year Group	Workshop	Date and Time
Reception	Early Reading session An introduction to the sounds your children will learn in Reception	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October (9- 10am) Hall
Reception	Communication and Language & Tapestry Information Meeting Importance of Interactions and Support with creating Tapestry account	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> October (9-10am) Hall
Reception	Story Time! An interactive story session for parents/carers with their children	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February (2:30-3:15pm) classroom
Reception	Maths Workshop An Introduction to 5 counting principles and how maths in reception prepares children for National Curriculum in Year 1	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> November (9-10am) Hall
Year 1	Phonics/Reading Workshop  An introduction to the sounds your children will learn in Year 1 and the way we teach reading	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September (9-10am) Hall
Year 2	Reading Parent Workshop with children A workshop followed by a Reading activity with your child in the hall	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October (9-10am)
Year 1	Story Time! An interactive story session for parents/carers with their children	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March (2:30-3:15pm) Hall
Year 1	Phonics Screening Test Parent Meeting An explanation of what the Phonics Screening Test looks like for your child	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April (9-10am) Hall
Year 3	Reading Parent Workshop with children A workshop followed by a Reading activity with your child in the hall	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October (9-10am)
Year 4	Reading Parent Workshop with children A workshop followed by a Reading activity with your child in the hall	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October (9-10am)
Year 3 and 4	Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) Parent Meeting An explanation of what the MTC Check looks like for your child	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February (9-10am) Hall
Year 5 and 6	Reading Parent Workshop with children  A workshop followed by a Reading activity with your child in the hall	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January (9- 10am)
Year 6	SATs information morning (Year 6)	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March (9-10am) Hall

### **Other Key Dates for your diary**

Key Events	When	Notes for Parents
Macmillan Coffee afternoon	Friday 26th September	After school Cake sale
Scholastic Book Fair	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Books sale

Parents Consultations	Thursdays 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Early finish for the children at
	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	13.00
		Consultation times: 13.30-18.30
Odd Socks Day	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Children wear odd socks to make Anti-Bullying week
Anti-Bullying Week	Wc 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Odd socks day on Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November
Children in Need	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Non-uniform day
Reception Festive Concert	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Hall at 9.00am
Year 1 Nativity show	Friday 12th December	Hall at 9.15-10.15am
Christmas Jumper Day	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Non-uniform day- wear a
Christmas lunch		Christmas jumper day
PTA Winter Fair	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 3-6pm	Volunteers and helpers required
EPC Online Safety Day	Monday 9th February	Workshops for children and
		online safety meeting for
		parent/carers at 9-10am
Children's Mental Health Week	wc Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	More communication to follow
World Book Day	Thursday 5th March	Dress up day- details will be sent
		nearer the time
Comic Relief	Friday 20th March	Non-uniform day- information
		will be sent nearer the time
Daffodil Breakfast (Year 1+2)	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Hall 9.15-10.15am -Parents/Cares
		Welcomed
Spanish Language Day	Tuesday 21st April	Non-uniform day (details to
FUNCCI Talent Final	NA I - 4 Oth NA -	follow)
EHA's Got Talent Final	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Details to follow
Design and Technology Exhibition	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Details to follow
KS1 (Years 1-3) Sports Day	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 9.30-11.30am	St George's Field
Reception Sports Day	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 1.30-2.45pm	St George's Field
KS2 (Years 4-6) Sports Day	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 9.30- 11.30am	St George's Field
PTA Non-uniform Day	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Non-uniform day-tombola donation
PTA Summer Fair	Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Wear your culture attire
International Day	11am-2pm	Volunteers and helpers required
		to help at the fair
Year 6 Production	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	For year 6 parents and carers; Hall/5pm
Meet the new class teacher/Open	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	3.15-5pm
Evening		,
Whole School Picnic	Thursday 16th July	3.15pm-4.30pm -celebrate and
		bring your blanket and picnic
		goodies you wish to eat. Strictly NUT FREE please.
Year 6 Leavers Assembly	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	For year 6 parents and carers; Hall/9-10am