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4th September 2026

Welcome Back – A New School Year and a New Chapter

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your families have had a wonderful summer break and have enjoyed some special time together. I am delighted to be writing to you for the first time as your **new Headteacher** and am very much looking forward to welcoming all of our children back to school on **Monday 7th September**. Reception parents and carers, you have been given a different start date as per your previous letter.

It is a real privilege to have the opportunity to lead our amazing school. Over the coming weeks, I am particularly looking forward to getting to know our children, families and wider school community better, celebrating everything that already makes our school special and working together to make it even stronger.

At the heart of everything we do, will be our children. I want every child to feel **safe, happy, valued and included**, while receiving an excellent education that enables them to achieve their very best. I strongly believe that a successful school is built on positive relationships between children, staff and families, and I look forward to working in partnership with you.

Our staff have been working incredibly hard to prepare for the children's return, and we are all excited to welcome them through the doors on Monday morning.

Start of School Information, Reminders and Important Upcoming Dates

Drop Off and Collection

Gates will be open from 8:45am. Like in previous years, please note that no parents will be allowed on site during morning drop off (except for Reception). For Autumn 1 term only (September and October) Year 1 parents and carers, you are welcome to take your child to their classroom door if they are unsettled at the start of their new routine. Please remember to use the correct designated entrance. This is Pitfield Way for Reception, Y5 & Y6 and Palmers Lane for Y1 – Y4. **School finishes at 3:25pm**. You can collect your Reception, Y1 & Y2 child from their classroom door. Y3 – Y6 children should be collected from the playground. Please do not take your child without the teacher's knowledge.

Meet the Team Coffee Mornings – 9am – School Hall

We would like to welcome all parents and carers into school to meet their child's new class teacher and SLT team. This is a great opportunity to find out what will be covered this year and to ask any questions you may have. Please come through the gate on Pitfield Way, then through the Play Nest and into the school hall. Coffee, tea and biscuits will be provided. Please find the dates and times of these below.

Date	Year Group & Class Teacher	Time
Tuesday 8 th September	Year 1 Mrs Salik (Mon - Thurs) & Mr Venn (Fri)	9:00 – 9:30am
Wednesday 9 th September	Year 2 Mrs Cooper	9:00 – 9:30am
Thursday 10 th September	Year 3 Miss McLean	9:00 – 9:30am
Friday 11 th September	Year 4 Mrs Ubor	9:00 – 9:30am
Monday 14 th September	Year 6 Mr Currie & Miss Michael (downsizing)	9:00 – 10:20am
Tuesday 15 th September	Year 5 Ms McKenzie/Amba Bailey	9:00 – 9:30am

Secondary School Transfer Meeting

All Year 6 parents and carers are invited to a meeting to discuss Secondary school choices and the process for applying for Secondary Schools. **This is an important meeting, and all parents are encouraged to attend.** This meeting will take place straight after the Meet the Team Coffee morning on **Monday 14th September at approximately 9:30am.** This will then be followed by a short presentation from Mr David Maytham, the new Headteacher at Heron Hall Academy.

Heron Hall Open Evening - Our Secondary School

Heron Hall Academy, will host an open day on **Monday, 28 September 2026, 5:30 -7:30pm**, for all Year 5 and Year 6 parents. This is a great opportunity to find out about changes and look at the brilliant facilities and the sixth form.

All dates can be found on the calendar, on the school website. Including Term Dates and INSET days. More dates may be added throughout the year as we book additional events, and I will send out letters with key dates regularly. Please note that all dates are subject to change. However, we will endeavour to give you as much notice as possible of any changes.

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 14th September. **Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club** will start on Monday 7th September - please contact the school's office for more details.

No Smartphones in School

As per our letter from 6th May 2025 (available on our website), we would like to kindly remind you that most schools in Enfield, including Enfield Heights, will not be allowing children to bring smartphones into school. We hope that you will support us in our aim to make sure that your children are happy and safeguarded by being smartphone free. This also includes Smart Watches.

Arbor App- Parent Portal

All parents need to download the Arbor Parent Portal App to their smartphone, as this is the main way that the school sends important messages and updates. The App also allows you to pay for school trips and you can book your child's place on after school clubs and activities. If you have any difficulties, please pop into the office and a member of the team will be happy to help you.



Uniform – Supplied by Uniforms 4 Schools

Our school uniform is compulsory from Reception to Year 6 so please ensure you have everything you need.

Here is a quick reminder:

- White shirt (long or short sleeved) – no polo shirts
- V-neck grey jumper or cardigan with the school logo
- School tie (elastic for KS1 & Reception, full tie for KS2)
- Grey skirt or grey pinafore or
- Grey trousers or grey shorts
- White, dark grey or black tights
- Black, grey or white socks
- Black shoes
- Red and White Gingham dress (Summer)
- Grey trousers or grey shorts (Summer)

PE Kit:

- Black shorts or Black jogging bottoms
- White round neck PE T-shirt
- Black jumper with school logo
- Black trainers



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 school office.

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 first**. If you need a meeting, email the office for the attention on the teacher you need.
2. You can also speak to Mrs Salik (Y1,2,3 Teaching & Learning Lead) or Mr Currie (Y4,5,6 Teaching & 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 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.

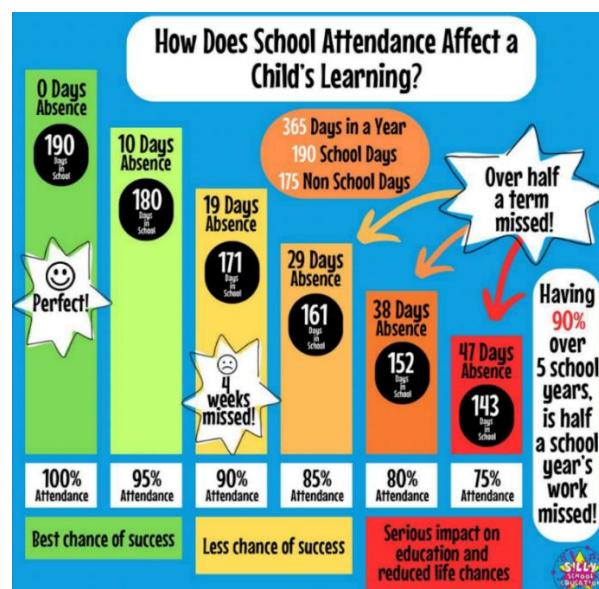
SEND concerns should be directed to Mrs Moore, our Inclusion and SEND lead. Her working days are Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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 to achieve their best. As 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 below 90%, this is equal to 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. This infographic shows just how important good attendance is.

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 in advance for your support as I begin my new role. Please do come and say hello when you see me — I am looking forward to getting to know you all.

Here's to a happy, successful and exciting year ahead!

Warmest wishes,

Stella Gannon

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