

## Newsletter 3 – 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2025

Dear parents & carers,

The second half of autumn term is in full swing, and the children have settled back into school excellently. Thank you for your patience and understanding whilst we have been moving to our new administrative system- Arbor.

### Chair of Governors

Mrs Tibbs has served as our Chair of Governors for a number of years. Due to her moving out of the area she is unable to continue serving on our Local Governing Committee. I would like to thank Mrs Tibbs for her hard work and dedication to the children and community of Heaton Park.

Miss Butterworth has been appointed as our new Chair. She has worked in education, school improvement for local authorities, and also in the early years sector. She brings a wealth of experience and knowledge and will be a real asset to our school.

### Open Day

If you have a child who is due to start nursery or Reception in September, please join us for our open day.



**OPEN DAY**  
MON 24TH NOVEMBER  
At the following: 10am, 1.45pm and 6pm.

Heaton Park  
Primary and  
Nursery School

On-site wrap-around care | Amazing forest school | Beautiful grounds

Come and visit our lovely school. Meet our dedicated staff team,  
learn more about our curriculum offer and see our school in action!

PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL TO BOOK YOUR PLACE  
Tel: 0161 773 9554 | email: [contact@heatonparkbury.com](mailto:contact@heatonparkbury.com)

Heaton Park Primary and Nursery School, Cuckoo Lane, Whitefield Manchester M45 6TE

### Sporting News

Well done to our netball team who took part in an inter-school competition on Friday. They showed great skills, fantastic teamwork and really challenged the other teams.

Yesterday some of our pupils took part in a Key Stage 2 cross country event at Goshen. I am delighted to announce that Lila M (Y5) came in first place and Lucas S (Y6) secured second place in their respective categories! Overall, the Year 3 and 4 girls won their section, Year 5 and 6 girls won theirs, Year 3 and 4 boys came fifth whilst the Year 5 and 6 boys came second. The children who came within the top 12 will now represent Bury at The Greater Manchester Cross Country Competition in January, they are Lila (Y5), Sienna (Y6), Mia (Y6), Emily (Y5), Lucas (Y6) and Findley (Y6). A huge well done to all who took part.

### Class Assemblies

I am really keen that we welcome you into school to share in your child's learning and to see our school in action. From spring term onwards, we will be holding class assemblies for each class. More details will be shared about this in the coming new year.

**To see photographs and information about the wonderful things we get up to in school, including all of our sporting successes, please follow us on Instagram: [heatonparkprimary1](https://www.instagram.com/heatonparkprimary1).**

**Notices in blue will be in every newsletter:**

### **Promoting Independence**

To promote independence, please ensure your child has everything they need for the school day-water bottle, lunch box, PE kit, glasses etc.- with them when they come into school. This also makes for a calmer start to the day for your child. The school office is extremely busy, and the staff do not have capacity to take forgotten items to classes.



### **Attendance & Punctuality**

#### *Attendance*

There is an expectation that children are in school, on time, every day. If your child is unwell and cannot attend school, please phone the school office and leave a message on the absence line or speak to a member of staff. Please make sure all non-urgent medical and dental appointments are made outside of school hours.



**We require evidence of medical appointments for every child to be able to authorise these absences.**

#### *Punctuality – Dropping off and Picking Up*

The school gates open at **8.45am** and are locked at **9.00am**. Please ensure your child arrives on time so that learning is not lost and for the smooth running of school.

All late children must come into school via the office, and a member of the office staff must then escort each late pupil to their class. We do not have the capacity to do this, and it also wastes a lot of time. Pupils who arrive late without good reason receive a late mark or unauthorised absence, so it is very important to ensure your child is on time.

**All late children, coming in through the school office must be accompanied by an adult, who must sign them in on the IPAD.**

After school, please be on time to collect your child as class teachers and staff have additional responsibilities and our After School Club is at capacity and cannot accommodate additional children. The school Attendance Champion is monitoring pupils' punctuality and attendance carefully. Many thanks for your active support with this.

### **Dates for your Diary**

EYFS Christmas Sing-along – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30pm

KS1 Nativity – Evening production Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm, Morning production Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am

LKS2 Christmas Movie Night – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December

UKS2 Christmas Movie Night – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December

(Further details will be sent about these events)

**School closes on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

Kind regards,

Miss R. Senior  
Headteacher