

# Heartlands Highlights

## March 19th 2026

Being on time isn't just a school rule; it is a **vital life skill** that will serve our students in higher education and the professional workplace.

Punctuality is about more than just a clock, it's about respect and readiness to learn. Here is why we are focusing on this:

- **Academic Impact:** Missing the start of a lesson often means missing the vital Do Now section of the lesson
- **Minimized Disruption:** Late arrivals distract the teacher and interrupt the flow of learning for the entire class.
- **Professionalism:** Punctuality is one of the most sought-after traits by employers.
- **Safeguarding:** It is important to note that extreme or persistent lateness to lessons eventually transitions into **truancy**. *We have a responsibility to ensure all students are where they are supposed to be.*

We want to be clear: **persistent lateness will not be tolerated**. We are committed to maintaining a focused, high-standard learning environment, and that begins with everyone being in their seats on time!

By checking the attendance tab regularly on MyChildAtSchool, you can see if your child is reaching their classes on time and have those important conversations at home if patterns of lateness emerge.

### Attendance and mental health and wellbeing

This month our attendance curriculum focuses on mental health and wellbeing. We want all students to enjoy school and be happy here. Do reach out to us if you think school may be a reason why your child is reluctant to come to school. We always want to work with you to support your child in having excellent attendance and enjoying school more.

### Safeguarding Spotlight

Social media can be risky. Talk to your child, check privacy settings, and contact a trusted adult or Heartlands High School Safeguarding Team if concerned.

## Key dates

- **27th March** Last day of term, students leave from 12pm
- **13th April** PLD Day: school closed to students



Please note the 1st June is NOT a student closure day, it is a normal school day

[HERE](#) are the published term dates for 2025/2026  
*The 2026/27 dates are shown on the same page if you scroll down.*

### Year 11!

Please take a moment to read the letter sent via email, which outlines how best to support your child during the exam period. It also includes important dates for your calendar, including the start date of their exam leave.





Heartlands High School

Join us to celebrate Easter Around the World

# Pascha EGGS TRAVAGANZA EVENT

FRIDAY 20th MARCH  
4pm AUDITORIUM

Displays, workshops and live performances from across the HHS Orthodox and wider community

Egg Rolling Race

Interactive Easter Tree

Traditional Food & Easter Bread

Pysanky and Global Easter Egg Art

Ukrainian Flower Crown (Vinok)

Greek / Cypriot / Georgian / Ukrainian traditional dance

Cultural Stalls!

+ more!

Traditional clothing warmly welcomed (optional)

Please bring a NUT-FREE dish or snack to share

See you there!

# Sounds of Heartlands Podcast

Our resident poet, podcast host and Year 11 student Rainelle Francis-Manu has been busy not only with her revision but with recording four more episodes of our Sounds of Heartlands Podcast!

Ms Williams, Ms Khan, Ms Hunter and Mr Sidhu are the latest podcast guests.

Go to the Student section of the website and click on the [Sounds of Heartlands link!](#)



# Barcelona Trip



Thank you to our students and members of staff in the trip who made it unforgettable!

# Enrichment

Science Week!

Forensic eFIT Challenge



# Wild Science!



# HHS Dance Showcase!

We had our first ever HHS Dance Showcase on Thursday 12th March. This showcase celebrated the extraordinary talent across all year groups. Students danced in a variety of styles including contemporary, afro and street.

This was a fantastic event and hopefully the first of many showcases! Well done to all involved.



# PE Dept News!

Once again, the department have been busy with lots of fixtures taking place. A few of the highlights have been the Year 9 & 10 girls getting into the finals of the Haringey league and are through to Round 4 of the ESFA Cup facing St Andrews. The Year 7&8 girls are into the semi finals of the London cup and semi finals of the Haringey league! The Year 10 Boys are also through to the next round of the London Cup facing Fulham Boys in the semi finals. Year 8 boys are also in the semi finals of the Haringey League. We also had the first of our athletics meets with Year 9 girls winning their age group.

