

HEY WITH ZION CHURCH OF ENGLAND & METHODIST SCHOOL

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Welcome Back!

It has been a wonderful start to the new school year, and it has been a joy to welcome our children and families back after the summer break. Hey with Zion has been filled with smiles, excitement and enthusiasm as children have settled quickly into their new classes and routines.

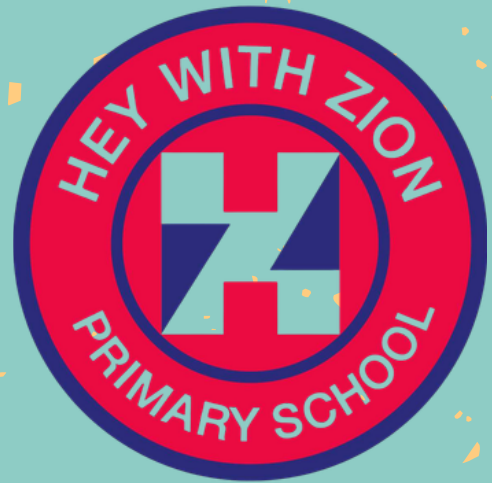
I would like to thank all of our families for helping to make such a positive start to the term. The children have returned looking smart, ready to learn and eager to embrace the opportunities ahead of them.

A special welcome goes to the families who have joined Hey with Zion this year. We are delighted that you are part of our school family and look forward to getting to know you and working together throughout the year.

We have an exciting year ahead, full of memorable learning experiences, trips, events and opportunities for children to grow, flourish and achieve their very best. I am incredibly proud of how our pupils have started the term, demonstrating kindness, enthusiasm and a positive attitude from day one.

Thank you for your continued support. By working together, we can ensure that every child feels valued, develops confidence and resilience, and enjoys a happy and successful year at Hey with Zion.

Sara Machin
Headteacher



DATES

- Back Pack Blessing, St John's Church 9:15am 13.9.26
- Individual photos 24.9.26
- Parents Evening in the hall 21.10.26, 22.10.26 3:40pm
- 3 Generate Residential for yr 4 2 - 4. 10.26
- PC Detheridge to visit EYFS 7.10.26
- Robinwood Residential for year 6 16- 18.10.26
- EYFS Stay and Play session 22.10.26
- Half term Holiday 23.10.26
- Term Resumes 2.11.26
- Inset Day 13.11.26
- School Christmas Fair 11.12.26 at 3:30pm
- End of Term 18.12.26

Our Values

Love, Hope, Aspire

Jesus Said

"I have come so that you may have
Life and have it to the full."

John 10 v 10

Within the love of God, we aspire to
do the best we can for ourselves and
others.

At Hey with Zion, we help every child to grow in confidence, resilience and kindness. Alongside strong academic learning, we equip children with the skills they need to thrive in school, in their future education, and in life.

Everyone belongs here. We create a safe, caring environment where children, families and staff feel valued, supported and encouraged to be themselves. Together, we make wonderful memories, embrace new experiences and develop a love of learning that lasts a lifetime.

School Times & Attendance

Our school day runs from 9am to 3:30pm, with our Homework Club available from 8:00am each morning and to 4:15pm each afternoon.

Good attendance and punctuality are essential for children's learning, wellbeing and friendships. We are proud of the strong attendance from most of our pupils last year and look forward to building on this success together.

If your child is absent, please follow our usual reporting procedures and contact the school as soon as possible. We also ask families to avoid taking holidays during term time as these cannot be authorised.

Uniform

We are proud of the way our children represent Hey with Zion and ask families to ensure that children come to school in the correct school uniform.

Please check that uniform, footwear and PE kits are clearly labelled with your child's name, as this makes it much easier for lost items to be returned.

Year group information, including PE and Forest School days, will be shared via Class Dojo.

Children should come to school wearing their PE kit on their allocated PE days.

Thank you for your support in helping our children look smart, feel proud and be ready to learn each day.

Forest School

We are delighted that all children at Hey with Zion will have regular opportunities to take part in Forest School this year. These sessions help children develop confidence, resilience and teamwork through outdoor learning.

Details for each class will be shared soon! Children should come to school in their usual uniform (or PE kit on PE days) and bring a change of old clothes suitable for muddy outdoor activities.

We look forward to sharing our Forest School adventures with you throughout the year.

