

## Little Heath School Reading, Berkshire:

Little Heath School is set in a rural part of Tilehurst, but very close to main rail and road links. Buses run frequently from outside the school into Reading Town Centre.

Reading is a large town set on the River Thames in the Ceremonial County of Berkshire, England. It was an important centre in the medieval period, as the site of Reading Abbey, a Monastery with strong royal connections. Windsor Castle is also nearby.

The Oracle Shopping Centre is a modern shopping complex with lively Bars, Cafes, Restaurants, Cinema and numerous Designer Boutiques alongside High Street Fashion Retailers.

Reading Festival is held every August Bank Holiday with popular music acts performing on various stages. Festival goers from all over the country come to this fantastic event.

We are fortunate to have Fledglings Nursery (3mths to 5 years) based on the school site which offers discounted fees to teachers employed at Little Heath School.

At Little Heath School:

- We run Expeditions every two years; This academic year 2019/20 we are taking a group of students to Peru
- We have extra-curricular activities in various subjects, such as PE, Music, Drama, Dance for example
- Students Duke of Edinburgh Awards – We would love new members of staff to get involved and help run this from the school
- We have a Staff Social Committee: running events such as, Quiz Nights, Race Days, BBQs, Wine Tasting and we end the academic year with a Summer Ball
- We run an extensive CPD program for all staff members and actively encourage staff members to attend training courses to further their career

### Teacher Training Partnership:



Little Heath School is a proud partner of the Two Counties Training Partnership which works in association with four other local secondary schools and the University of Reading to offer a teacher training programme of the highest quality.

If you would like to know more about our teacher training programme or are interested in gaining work experience in a school environment please contact [traintoteach@littleheath.org.uk](mailto:traintoteach@littleheath.org.uk).

## **Nearby attractions:**

**London – Paddington, 30 minutes by train from Reading.** London, England's capital, set on the River Thames, is a 21st-century city with history stretching back to Roman times. At its centre stand the imposing Houses of Parliament, the iconic 'Big Ben' clock tower and Westminster Abbey, site of British monarch coronations. Across the Thames, the London Eye observation wheel provides panoramic views of the South Bank cultural complex, and the entire city.

**Windsor** - Windsor is a town on the River Thames in southeast England, just west of London. It is home to Windsor Castle, a residence of the British Royal Family. Built by William the Conqueror in the 11th century, the castle was extensively remodelled by subsequent monarchs. Public tours take in the State Apartments, which contain opulent furnishings, and paintings from the royal art collection.

**Royal Ascot** - Is an affluent small town in east Berkshire, England, about 25 miles (40 km) west of London. It is most notable as the location of Ascot Racecourse, home of the prestigious Royal Ascot meeting. The centerpiece of Ascot's year is held in June: Royal Ascot is without doubt the world's most famous race meeting, steeped in history dating back to 1711. The royal family attend the meeting, arriving each day in a horse-drawn carriage. It is a major event in the British social calendar

**Oxford** - Let the "city of dreaming spires" enchant you with its 1,500 listed buildings from every major period of British architectural history from the 11th century onwards. Built in striking honey-colored limestone, the city Centre looks like something out of a fairy-tale. No wonder Oxford is a firm favorite of film makers from all over the world, and has inspired countless famous writers over the centuries.

**Henley-on-Thames** – Henley-on-Thames is a town and civil parish on the River Thames in Oxfordshire, England. Each year a rowing event called The Henley Regatta is held on the river. Spectators arrive in their finery to watch. You can enjoy boat cruises too.

**Stratford-Upon-Avon** – Stratford-upon-Avon, a medieval market town in England's West Midlands, is the 16th-century birthplace of William Shakespeare. Possibly the most famous writer in the English language, Shakespeare is known for his sonnets and plays such as 'Romeo and Juliet' and 'Hamlet'. The Royal Shakespeare Company performs his plays in the Royal Shakespeare Theatre and adjacent Swan Theatre on the banks of the River Avon.

**Bath** - A town set in the rolling countryside of southwest England, known for its natural hot springs and 18th-century Georgian architecture. The museum at the site of its original Roman Baths includes The Great Bath, statues and a temple; the facility's Pump Room serves a popular afternoon tea. Today's visitors can soak in the waters at the contemporary Thermae Bath Spa.

**Coastal paths** – 2 hours away. Many varied tourist attractions on the South coast; Jurassic coast, Dorset. Isle of Wight, New Forest and many more. The Ridgeway National Trail is also within 5 miles of the school.

**Cross Rail** – Reading Station is part of the new Cross Rail development linking parts of Berkshire via London to Essex and South East London. Construction is ongoing with the new lines hoping to be open in 2020.