

IMPORTANT
DATES

19th April - Y5

Safeside trip

20th April - Y6

Safeside trip

27th April - Y1

Warwick Castle
trip

1st-31st May KSI

SAT's

3rd May - School

closed to children
- VOTING DAY

7th May - School

closed - Bank
Holiday

14th - 17th May -

KS2 SAT's Week

14th May - Y5

'Body Changes'
talk

21st May - 25th

May - Y6 Ingestre
Residential

28th May - 1st

June - HALF
TERM SCHOOL
CLOSED TO
CHILDREN

4th June - School

closed to children
INSET DAY

5th June - Class

photographs

11th - 15th June -

KSI Phonics
screening week

18th June - Y6

DECCA talk

19th June - Y6

Healthy
Relationships talk

NEWSLETTER – 29th March 2018



Goodbye and good luck!

As you know by now Thursday 29th March will be Mrs Hinton's last day here at Highfields. She has been here for 20 years and has taught almost every child in the school! I know you will join in the all the staff and children in wishing her good luck in her new role.

Thank you for all your hard work Mrs Hinton! We will miss you!

Happy Easter!

On behalf of all of the staff and children at Highfields, we would like to wish you all a very Happy Easter! I also want to say a huge thank you to all the parents who have supported their children with decorating eggs or making Easter bonnets! We have some very talented children (and patient parents)!



The winners of our competitions are

6P - *Thomas Kavanagh* and *Matthew Saunders*

6C - *Abby McIntosh* and *Keanon Woodhall*

5P - *Grace Brookes* and *Jonathan Carpenter*

5K - *Charlotte Ellis* and *Liam Hurdman*

4C - *Jaipreet Stevens* and *Sydney Partridge*

4R - *Charlie Scrivens* and *Harry Mullins*

3B - *Jude Sidaway* and *Sufyan Hasan*

3T - *Melyssa Shorley* and *Priya Pathak*

2P - *Joel Roberts* and *Toni-Grace Dunn*

2H - *Jacob Hall* and *Shuaib Mohammad*

ID - *Jacob Cooper* and *Brandon Newey*

IW - *Phoebe Cox* and *Jacob Turner*

RW - *Amelia Craig* and *Taylor Harvey*

RS - *Frankie Stosic* and *Bobby Burford*

NAM - *Alesha McDonald* and *Izabelle Dunn*

NPM - *Ayden Reeve* and *Ciracie Ellsmore*

livekitchen

Live Kitchen Survey

During last week's parent's evenings, I was welcoming parents and asking you to complete a questionnaire regarding school life. Part of the questionnaire was about lunchtimes. We are starting to collate all of the data from that and I will send that out to you next term. However, it was very clear from your responses that you feel strongly about the quality and quantity of food supplied to Highfields by Live Kitchen/Dolce. I have contacted them this week as I feel they need to respond. They have now put a 'pop up survey' on the Live Kitchen website. When you next log on to order your children's meals please can you complete the survey. The survey will be live until Sunday 22nd April and from that they will be able to see all of your thoughts and concerns. School will then be meeting with Live Kitchen/Dolce to discuss school meals for the Summer term. Thank you in advance.

Attendance Awards

This week's whole school attendance was **95.1%**. Don't forget, the whole school target we have to achieve every week is so **96.5%** this week we were **below** target!

The recent winning classes attendance was

EYFS - **RW 97%**

KSI - **ID 96.6%**

KS2 - **5P 99%**

A special well done to **ID 96.8%** and **4R 97.3%** who have the highest attendance for the whole term!



Also a huge well done to our 'Attendance Book Prize Winners' for Spring Term 2018

Nursery - *Alexandria Perks*

Reception - *Jasmine Johnson*

Key Stage 1 - *Brolly Holmes*

Key Stage 2 - *Bernice Wu* and *Owen Ward*

Verruca's, Earrings and PE

I have spoken to a few parents lately about verruca's. Last week the Association for Physical Education updated their health and safety guidance to provide school and our parents information about this. It states - Verruca's are caused by a viral infection. Many young people get a verruca at some point in their lives and are more likely to get them than adults. They are often caught from public changing rooms and swimming pools. Getting verrucae has nothing to do with poor hygiene. Children with immune system problems may have an increased risk. The virus is found throughout the environment and is infectious. Most disappear without treatment after a few months or years - 20 per cent of growths disappear within three months. By the time the verruca appears the infectious period has passed so it is too late to seek protection, though one can still benefit from treatment if it is painful. However, covering the verruca with a waterproof plaster or rubber sock for swimming can help alleviate parental concerns. Highfields follow the guidance set out by the AFPE and so from now on children with verruca's **can** take part in Physical Education lessons. If a parent should wish to they may cover the verruca with a plaster. As the holidays approach I know some parents may take children to get their ears pierced. Please can we remind you that children either need to remove their earrings or have them covered for PE. We do not provide tape for children to cover their earrings in school and therefore advise that parents send some of their own plasters in from home with their child. Staff are also not allowed to remove children's earrings.

Golden book - well done to you all

Since the last newsletter was published these children have received Golden Book certificates...



Nam	-
Npm	-
RW	Taylor Harvey
RS	Elouise Attwood
ID	Zak Hussain
IW	Brandon newey
2H	Anastasia Perks
2P	Callum Stokes
3T	Lucas Greaves
3B	Amber Andrews
4R	Zia Wild
4C	Lead Dudley
5P	Rykaya Hasan
5K	Isiah Ellis
6P	Cleo Darby
6C	Furquan Nawaz
PE	Mimi-Tyson Worgs 6C

Nam	-
Npm	-
RW	Brooke Price
RS	Jason Chima
ID	Dhiaan Nega
IW	Izzie Meredith
2H	Aamina Ahmed
2P	Jessica Greaves
3T	Alfie Turner
3B	Sophie Platt
4R	Max beddoe
4C	Tegan Cudmore
5P	Joseph newey
5K	James Lines
6P	Jessica Dipple
6C	Archie Turner
PE	Ellie- Mae Taylor ID

Nam	-
Npm	-
RW	Connor Blount
RS	Darcie Denning
ID	Brooke Wignall
IW	TJ Ensor
2H	Gulden Cetin
2P	Anjali Salhan
3T	James Beaton
3B	Myles Evans
4R	Amrit Kaur Bains
4C	Jaden Harvey
5P	Zidhaan Amjed
5K	Erika Fletcher
6P	Lucy Hughes
6C	Alisha Masoud
PE	Tristan James RS

Date for the diary - Sports Day

This year we are hoping, weather permitting, to hold our sports days on...

Thursday 21st June - EYFS and KSI

Friday 22nd June - KS2



Earth Hour and WWF thanks!

School Council held a Mufti Day on Friday 23rd March to raise awareness of Earth Hour and the work of the World Wildlife Fund. Pupils will have the opportunity to vote for the animal they think school should adopt from WWF for 12 months. They had organised a competition around designing a poster with an environmental theme.



1st Prize Winners -

Rukaya Hassan Year 5

and *Sufyan Hasan* Year 3 a joint poster on the endangered Giant Panda

2nd Prize Winner - Ramahia Nega Year 6 a poster with the theme our planet, our responsibility

3rd Prize Winner - Riley Piercey Reception with a Save Our Ocean poster focusing on plastic pollution

A big well done to all of our prize winners and thank you to Friends of Highfields for donating the fantastic prizes.

Brass Band

We were extremely proud recently of some of our children who were invited to play at a recital on Monday 26th March at a Church in West Bromwich. Well done to...



Kathaleeya Jackson

Daniel Emms

Melissa Cockin

Reegan Jenkins

Abby McIntosh

Parking Around School

Just another reminder about parking around school. Following last week's parent's evenings, I have received several emails/complaints from neighbours regarding the parking around school. Unfortunately, when approached by residents they report that some parents were rude and even used offensive language with their child present.

Please can I remind all parents we are trying to find ways to improve the parking around school, can I urge you to please continue to be courteous to our neighbours and put the safety of our children first!

