



Highfields Primary

newsletter



20th September '24

Head's Welcome

It has been another busy few weeks here at Highfields!

Mrs Garratt has had her procedure and is now recovering. She says to thank everyone for their well wishes and will be back in school as soon as she is well enough to do so.

The children have settled back into school and are generally following our key values of ready, respectful and safe well, which is lovely to see. Miss Evans and I will still be having tea parties with children who have gone over and above at the end of each week in Mrs Garratt's absence and are both looking forward to spending time with these children and celebrating them.

The children should all now have reading books, reading records and log ins for the online programmes that their year groups use. If you have any queries about these, please let us know. EdShed (Spelling Shed) and TTRockstars are the programs we ask years 2-6 to use regularly to help spelling and times tables, with years Reception and Y1 having logins to access phonics reading books and Numbots.

The children have had a great start to the year- well done!

Mrs. Lewis



Contents Page

Heads Welcome/Attendance

Autumn term diary dates

Organ Donation Week

Eco Council

Golden Book

Reception/Y1 & Y2 newsletter

Y3 & Y4 newsletter

Y5 & Y6 newsletter

Highfields Hall of Fame

Albion Foundation

Highfields Helpers Newsletter

Attendance

At Highfields we have high expectations when it comes to attendance and so our attendance target is 97%. This week's whole school attendance was 96.1%. The highest attending classes this week were;

EYFS - RP - 95.9%

KSI - 2M - 98.3%

KS2 - 6C - 99%

Follow Highfields Primary School page on



Autumn Term - Diary Dates

September

- 26th - Flu vaccinations in school
- 27th - Organ Donation week-wear red/pink
- 30th - Mufti Day for Harvest donations

October

- 1st - Harvest sale
- 3rd - Theme menu day
- 8th - School photographs
- 15th - Reception Stay & Play
- 17th - Reception Stay & Play
- 23rd - Panto performance in school
- 23rd - Parents Evening
- 24th - Parents Evening
- 24th - children break up for half term
- 25th - training day school closed to children

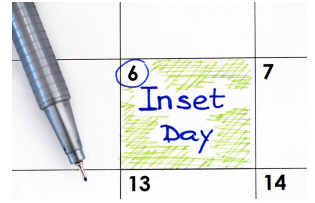
Half term - Monday 28th October - Friday
1st November

November

- 4th - children return to school
- 5th - Y3 Stone Age workshop
- 14th - Y5 trip to RAF Cosford
- 15th - Children in Need

INSET Days

24 / 25



The following dates will be training days and school will be closed to all children;

- Monday 2nd September '24
- Friday 25th October '24
- Friday 2nd May '25
- Monday 2nd June '25
- Monday 21st July '25

PE Days 24 / 25

Just a reminder as your child's PE day may have changed this year.

- Monday - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
- Tuesday - Year 3, Year 5 and Year 6
- Wednesday - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
- Thursday - Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6
- Friday - Year 4

Can I also remind all parents that we have a specific PE kit and this can be found on the website.

Organ Donation Week

Next week we will be celebrating Organ Donation Week. In Reception we have a little boy called Brolee who recently celebrated his 1 year liver transplant anniversary.

On Friday 27th September, we invite everyone at Highfields to wear red or pink, to raise awareness of organ donation.

Please follow this link to register as an organ donor and save a life like Brolee's.

<https://www.organdonation.nhs.uk/register-your-decision/donate/>



Eco Council

What is Eco Council?

Eco Council is a group of pupils who meet to discuss eco-friendly and environmental issues within school which prepares children to live their future lives with consideration for global issues. There is one representative from each class for Year 1 – Year 6.

Who are we?

Year 1 - Kiera B ISS & Fateh S ICS
Year 2 - Harley R 2M & Rayan B 2D
Year 3 - Summer C 3B & Ivy S 3L
Year 4 - Arthur L 4G & Oliver H 4K
Year 5 - William W 5R & Sheikh B 5C
Year 6 - Lola P 6P & Millie J 6C

Why do we have an Eco Council?

- To ensure our school is eco-friendly and prepares pupils to live with reflection of the environment.
- To make sure each class has a platform to voice their opinions.
- To discuss and raise issues related to the environment.

News just in

Eco Council have received confirmation from Sandwell Councils Climate Change Programme Officer that they will cover the cost of our re-accreditation for the Eco Schools Green Flag Award for this new school year.

Our new Eco-Council have been appointed and they held their first meeting last Friday during assembly to discuss plans for the coming year and have already submitted evidence for the Level 1 RHS School Gardening Award.



Golden Book Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded a 'Golden Book Certificate' since the previous newsletter

13th September

Reception - Arjun

Reception - Alice

ISS - Kiera

ICS - Gurbaz

2D - Amelia

2M - Royalty

3B - Reggie

3L - Ebony

4G - Ava-Rose

4K - Savannah

5C - Archie

5R - Poppy

6C - Fletcher

6P - Miracle

PE - Emily

French - Arlo

20th September

Reception - Ellis

Reception - Reece

ISS - Simrat

ICS - Ibrahim

2D - Mason

2M - Kevin

3B - Bella

3L - Ivy

4G - Ayana

4K - Amir

5C - Mya

5R - Aiyanna

6C - Isabel

6P - Ava

PE - Eliza B

French - Abdullah S

Head's Tea Party

13th September

ISS - Zara W

2D - Precious

3L - Thorne Grey

3B - Eliza B

4K - Charlotte F

4G - Henry J

5C - Jasneet

6C - Ayden B



20th September

Reception - Maisy C

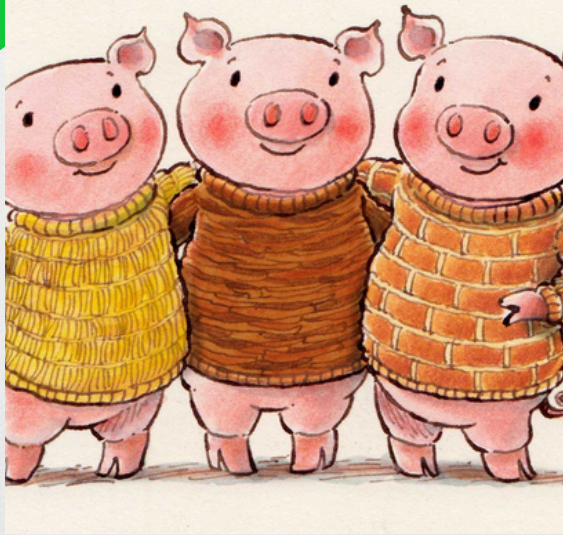
Reception - Javon D

ICS - Nai'mah

2M - Frankie

3B - Reggie W

6P - Ravin G



Reception

Year 1 & 2's Newsletter

In Year One's English lessons we have been looking at different types of lists, and writing our own. In art we have been looking at different fabrics, sorting them into colour sets and thinking of words to describe them.

In Year Two the children have enjoyed learning all about The Great Fire of London. We had a visit from Oldbury Fire Station where the children looked at their equipment and even sat in the fire engine! Take a look at the website to see the pictures.

Please can you remember to send in your child's reading diary, reading book and book to share each Friday. Thank you.

Reception Newsletter

Reception have been continuing our traditional tales learning and the children have been fantastic at retelling the stories! We have seen some wonderful art work using a range of materials such as paper, paint and sticks to make the three little pigs' houses. The children have also enjoyed exploring the library, listening to stories and choosing some books to share.

Can you please name children's belongings. We have a lot of bottles, coats and lunchboxes with no names and as we head into Winter, we really need scarves, hats and gloves to be named so they don't go missing.

As we are getting to know the children, we will soon be looking at allocating them to their class. Please keep an eye out for this information over the next few weeks.



Years 1 and 2

Year 3 & 4's Newsletter

Year 3 - This week in Year 3, we have continued to learn all about different types of rocks! The children had chance to test whether the rocks were hard, soft, permeable, impermeable and durable. In addition to this, the children explored a range of different historical Stone Age artefacts and asked questions about them. In geography, the children developed their atlas skills to locate the rivers of the UK.

Year 4 - In Year 4 this week, the children have explored how sound is made in science! They were able to draw detailed pictures with labels and some children could even write detailed explanations. In DT, the children have also investigated a range of 3D textile products that link to what they're going to be creating at the end of this term. The children will be creating Roman tunics!



Years 3 and 4

Year 5 & 6's Newsletter

Year 5

In Year 5 have really been enjoying our studies of World War II. In particular, the children have really impressed us with their geographical knowledge and they have produced some excellent work using atlases. We have also studied propaganda and the children had a good understanding of how and why it was used. There will shortly be a letter going out regarding to Cosford which will be on the 14th November so look out for that.

Year 6

The children of Year 6 had a great time during their trip to Edmond Hall. They had a great time building shelters and taking part in the team building activities. Year 6 are currently reading and enjoying 'The Boy Who Biked the World' as part of their English lessons.



Years 5 and 6



Highfields Hall of Fame

This page is used to celebrate the things your children do in their spare time that they would like to share with us all e.g earning gym certificates, football or swimming trophies etc. If you would like your child to appear here, please could send a photograph and a short explanation via email to highfields.enquiry@highfields.sandwell.sch.uk so we can publish them.



Well done to Lilli in year 6 who has successfully trialled for WBA U11s Girls ETC and last night had her official induction at West Bromwich Albion Football Ground. Lilli is so excited to get started, ready to keep learning and looking forward to representing WBA in her up coming matches.

#myaspirations

Congratulations to Sebastian S in year 2 who has achieved his Stage 3 swimming, Water Safety level 1 and Rainbow distance 10 metres He was very happy to get his certificate and is now excited for stage 4 next week.

#myaspirations



Congratulations to Elsie in year 1, who has been very busy, gaining her next belt in jiu jitsu and becoming a grey and white belt.

She has also passed her bronze 3 gymnastics badge- well done Elsie!

#myaspirations



Albion Foundation - Girls Hub Sessions are now live!



Girls Hub

Tuesday Multi-Sports Session

The Albion Foundation Community Sports Hall
Halfords Lane, B71 4LG

Ages 8-12 - 6:00PM - 7:00PM
Ages 13-16 - 7:00PM - 8:00PM

Friday Girls Community Kicks Football Session

Sandwell Academy
Halfords Lane, B71 4LG

Ages 8-16 - 6:00PM - 7:30PM





Highfields Helpers Newsletter

**AGM
ANNUAL
MEETING**

STAY INFORMED AND GET INVOLVED

27TH SEPTEMBER 2024
2:00P.M

HIGHFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

ALL WELCOME

To DO:

HIGHFIELDS HELPERS

V O L N T E E

WHAT'S MISSING?

U R

**Any spare time (no matter how small!)
you could put towards volunteering with
HIGHFIELDS HELPERS?**

**We organise fun events to raise funds for
the pupils of Highfields Primary School**

Please email Charlotte & Claire on the below address for more information, or with any queries and fundraising ideas
highfieldshelpers@highfields.sandwell.sch.uk

Parentkind
Member Association