



6th June 2025

# Highfields Primary newsletter



## Head's Welcome

Welcome to this fortnights newsletter. I hope you all had wonderful half term holidays. It is absolutely lovely to be back at work and back around the children and staff at Highfields - I can honesty say I have really missed it! This is the last half term of the academic year and I can honestly say we try and pack in so much so please keep an eye on the calendar page! The children in Y4 are really looking forward to the residential to Bell Heath and they have been absolute superstars this week doing their multiplication tables screening test. I know that Y1 and the children are getting ready for their phonics screen next week as well. This week and next week, SLT are observing in classes and there are so many lovely things going on in classrooms across the school so look out for Mrs Garratt.

## 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 92.8%. The highest attending classes this week were;

EYFS - RP - 99.3%

KSI - 2M - 92.1%

KS2 - 3L - 98%



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# Spring Term - Diary Dates

## June

11th - Superhero Gift Sales  
12th - Y6 football tournament  
13th - Father's Day/Superhero Gift Sales  
13th - Disco  
18th-20th - Y4 residential trip to Bell Heath  
19th - African drumming workshop for Y1, Y2 & Y3  
20th - Reception class assembly 9am  
23rd - Boys football team trials  
25th - Reception trip to Telford Wonderland  
26th - Y6 trip to Safeside  
26th - September 2025 Reception parent meeting 2.30pm  
27th - Y1 class assembly 9am

## July

1st - Y2 trip to Weston-Super-Mare  
1st - Y6 Loudmouth production  
2nd - Sandwell secondary schools transition day  
3rd - Sandwell secondary schools transition day  
3rd - Y1 trip to Essington Farm  
4th - Y3 Brass assembly 9am  
7th - Ukulele concert  
7th - Girls football team trials  
8th - Rocksteady concert  
10th - Y4 Zoolab workshops

## July continued...

15th - Y6 production  
16th - Parents Evening  
17th - Earls wind band performance  
18th - Break up for summer

## PE Days

### PE Days 24/25

Just a reminder that your child's PE day has changed for the second half of the summer term;

Until the end of term children should wear their PE kit to school on the following days;

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

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

# Books of the Month - June

Please see below, June's Book of the Month that we will be sharing in school. In reception and years 1 and 2, the book will be placed in the 'book to share' box so that your child will be able to bring it home and share it with you at some point during the year. In years 3-6, copies will go into the school library for children to select as their reading book as and when they wish.

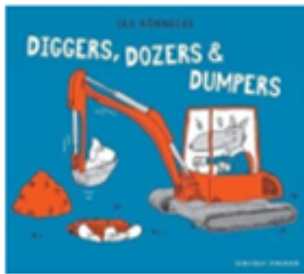
The books for June are:

EYFS: 'Diggers, Dozers and Dumpers' by Ole Koennecke

Years 1 and 2: 'We are All Astronauts' by Kate Pankhurst

Years 3 and 4: 'Dadbot' by Jack Noel

Years 5 and 6: 'The Doughnut Club' by Kristina Bahim



## Theme of the Month - June

### Safety

During the month of June, we will be looking at the theme, safety. The whole school will focus on the importance of staying safe and remind children of article 19 in the UNCRC, that they have the right to stay safe, both inside and outside of school.



## SMSC June



All Month - Pride Month

All Month - Gypsy, Roma and Traveller  
History Month

June 2nd - 8th - Volunteers' Week

June 5th - World Environment Day

June 8th - World Ocean Day

June 10th - 14th - Healthy Eating Week

June 15th - 21st - World Refugee Week

June 21st - World Music Day

June 27th - RSE Day





# Celebrations and Festivals Around the World

June

Pride Month  
(1st to 3rd)  
Pentecost (8th)  
Whit Monday (9th)  
Eid Al-Adha (6th to 10th)  
Father's Day (15th)

The King's Official Birthday  
(21st)  
Windrush Day  
(22nd)  
Muharram/Islamic New  
Year (27th)



## School Council Update

What an amazing week for School and Sports Council!

This week several members of both the School Council and the Sports Council helped Mr Savvides present a special Democracy British Values assembly. The assembly involved a presentation to the children of the new playground equipment that is being ordered at Highfields.

School Council and Sports Council children chose a variety of playground equipment activities. Miss Westwood thoroughly researched the costs of the equipment and sent this to be approved by Mrs Garratt. The equipment will now be ordered for the children to use in the future. The equipment includes assorted sponge balls, foam rings and targets, a large connect 4, magnetic games, drawing activities, ball games, a large Jenga wall, bowling activities and circus equipment.

Wow!





# Golden Book Awards



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

*23rd May*

RW - Sienna  
RP - Chaw  
ISS - Abiam  
ICS - David  
2M - Aaryan  
2D - Amari-Rome  
3L - Thorne-Grey  
3B - Esmé  
4G - Jorie  
4K - Nicholas  
5R - Lily  
5C - Mikey  
6P - Deborah  
6C - Thisaru  
French - Jack (6C)  
PE - Dave (4G)

*6th June*

RW - Zita  
RP - George  
ISS - Aoife  
ICS - Beau  
2M - Kacie  
2D - Christian  
3L - Lucia  
3B - Lacey  
4G - Jack  
4K - Isobel  
5R - Jensen  
5C - Matthew  
6P - Kidus  
6C - Millie  
French - Jacob (3B)  
PE - Freddie (2D)



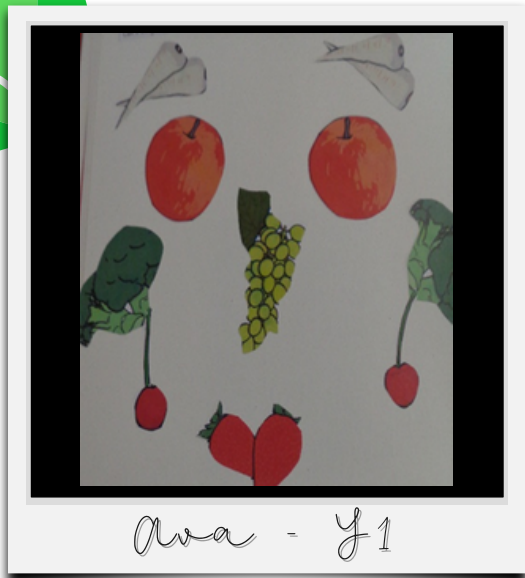
Mrs  
Garratt's  
Tea Party



*22nd May*

RW - Henna  
RP - Liam  
ISS - Islam  
2M - Kaiden  
2D - Lilly  
4G - Dave  
5C - Matthew C





## Year 1 & 2's Newsletter

In Year One we have completed our work on the story of Handa's Surprise. The children retold the story using adjectives to describe the animals, the fruit and the setting of the story. In DT we have continued to prepare different fruits in preparation for making our own fruit salad and worked carefully to slice a pear. In Art we have continued to look at the work of the artist Arcimboldo. We used collage to plan a portrait in the same style and will then use this to draw our own portrait.

Year Two have had a fantastic first week back. We were so proud of all the children who took part in Sports Day, even the weather did not dampen their team spirit! We have continued our learning on 'Buckets and Spades', the children have created their sand sculptures and learnt about seaside holidays from the past, including what people wore, how they entertained themselves on the beach and how they travelled to the beach. Next week we will begin to locate seaside towns on a map and look at some of their features.

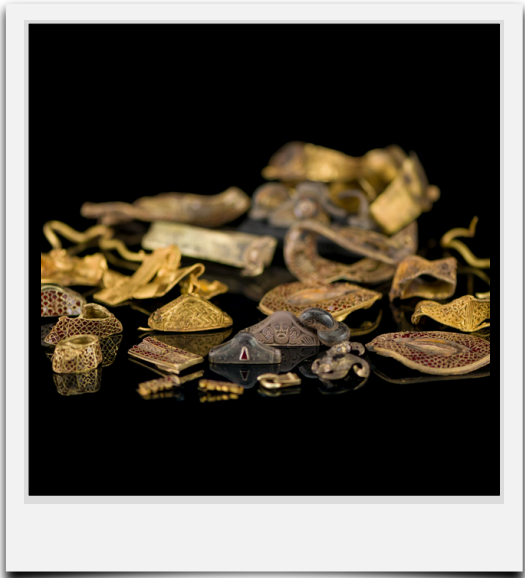
## Reception Newsletter

Welcome to our last term in Reception! Our topic this half term is called 'Splish, Splash, Splosh' and we will be learning about lots of things to do with water.

Our first book is called 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers - next week we will be building a boat to sail through a storm together!

As part of our RE session on Thursday 12th June, we will be exploring stories which are special to us. Could your child please bring in one book which is special to them. This could be their favourite story or a holy book. Please make sure it has their name in.





## Year 5 & 6's Newsletter

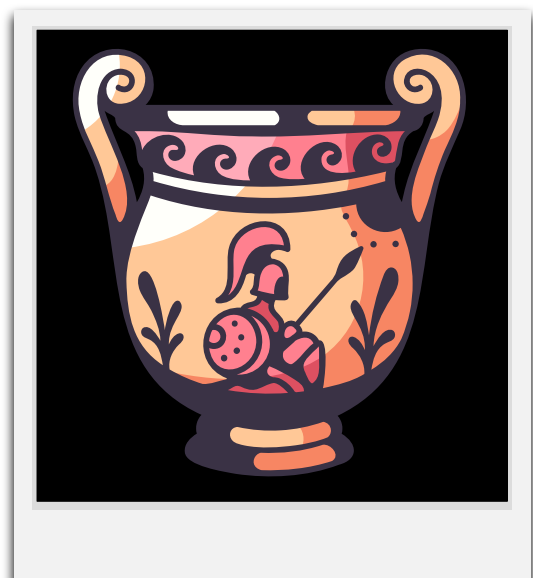
In Year 5 we have been enjoying studying the Anglo-Saxons. In Art, we have collected ideas about the Staffordshire hoard and begun to sketch out items of jewellery. In future week, we will design and create our own jewellery. In History, we have learned about how Britain changed during the Anglo-Saxon period and how the kingdoms that made up the country changed over time.

We are rapidly moving towards the end of the school year. We have begun looking at our end of year production and the children have been given their roles. They now need to learn their lines in order that our rehearsals will be most productive. Any assistance you can give in helping your child to learn their lines will be gratefully appreciated.

## Year 3 & 4's Newsletter

This week in Year 4, the children have been preparing for their rainforest debates in English! The children will be arguing whether deforestation is necessary. They have gathered the facts they need to write their supporting argument. In addition to this, in Geography, the children have been learning about the different layers of the rainforest. We also want to say a massive well done to the children who have completed their Multiplication Tables Check so far this week.

This week in Year 3, the children have started re-writing the Greek myth called 'Theseus and the Minotaur'. The children have also started to develop their clay modelling skills in Art, in order to develop their own Greek Ancient pot. In addition to this, during PSHE the children have started to learn about 'gratitude' and things in their life that they feel grateful for.



# Highfields Hall of Fame

This part of the newsletter is for us to celebrate our children's achievements outside of school. If your child/children have done something you would like us to know about and to share on here (and our social media pages) please email a short description and a photograph to [Highfields.Enquiry@highfields.sandwell.sch.uk](mailto:Highfields.Enquiry@highfields.sandwell.sch.uk) with the subject #myaspirations



Jensen

A big well done to Jensen in year 5 who has become the newest leader (Sixer) of 1st Coombs Wood Cubs Group. This is a wonderful achievement and we are very proud of you Jensen!  
#myaspirations

Arthur took part in one of Mrs Adams' cooking sessions before the holidays and was very excited to eat the tomato pasta they made at home! We are glad you enjoyed it Arthur and hopefully will continue to make this at home for tea sometimes!

#myaspirations



Arthur



# Highfields PTA Newsletter

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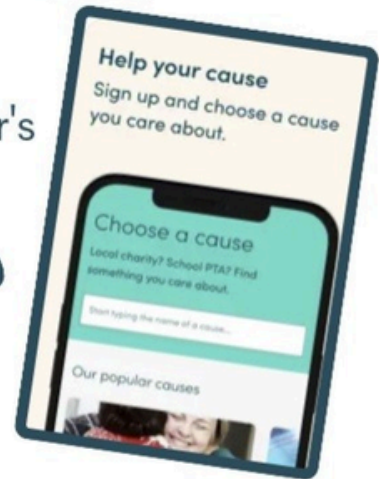


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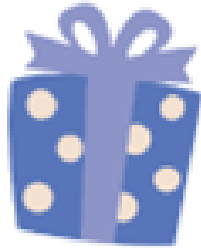


# SUPERHERO GIFT SALES



WEDNESDAY 11TH JUNE  
AND  
FRIDAY 13TH JUNE

£2.50 PER GIFT,  
WILL COME WRAPPED



# Summer Disco

Friday 13th June

KS1 5-6.15pm

KS2 6.30-7.45PM

£3.00 per ticket  
Includes drink  
and snack

Range of refreshments and accessories  
available to purchase

