



20th June 2025

Highfields Primary newsletter



Head's Welcome

What a busy couple of weeks we have had and are about to have here at Highfields. We have had an amazing sports day for YR and KSI, Y4 were absolutely amazing at Bell

Heath and really represented school brilliantly! We have Y2 excited about their trip to Weston Super Mare and this week our

Reception class are off the Telford Wonderland. I am so proud of the curriculum enrichment offer here at Highfields and grateful that parents support us in order to run these trips.

As well as leaving the site to enhance our curriculum we are also lucky enough to be able to invite people into school, this week some of our children took part in some African drumming sessions, it was absolutely amazing to see the children and how well they performed. Well done all!

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 92.5%. The highest attending classes this week were;

EYFS - RW - 96%

KSI - ISS - 95.9%

KS2 - 4K - 96.1%



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Spring Term - Diary Dates

June

- 20th - Reception class assembly 9am
- 23rd - Boys football team trials
- 25th - Reception trip to Telford Wonderland
- 25th - Y1-6 - Resiliency Show
- 26th - Y6 trip to Safeside
- 26th - September 2025 Reception parent meeting 2.30pm
- 27th - Y1 class assembly 9am
- 29th - Choir at Symphony Hall

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
- 9th - KS2 Sports Day
- 10th - Y4 Zoolab workshops
- 15th - Y6 production
- 15th - Reception Parents Evening
- 16th - Parents Evening
- 17th - Earls wind band performance
- 18th - Break up for summer

2025-26 Training Days

The following dates will be staff training days in 2025-26. School will be closed to all children on these dates.

- 1st September 2025
- 2nd September 2025
- 13th February 2026
- 8th May 2026
- 20th July 2026

Walking Home

Please can we remind all parents that if they (in Year 6) give permission for their child to walk home, in Year 6, on their own or with a group of their friends, they are still representing Highfields and need to think about their behaviors and whether they are safe and respectful. We have had concerning calls from local neighbours regarding the behaviour of some of our children. If this continues, we will unfortunately have to remove this permission and ask parents to collect their children after school.

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.

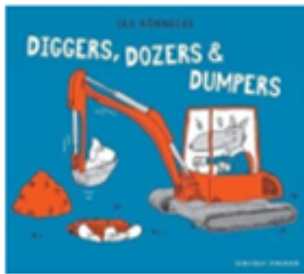
The books for June are:

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

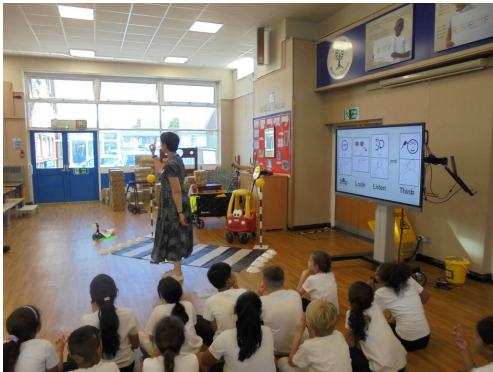
June 27th - RSE Day





Road Safety

Last week Louise Bodlovic visited our school to talk to the children about road safety. She brought in some exciting equipment for the children to look at during the assembly, sang road safety songs, showed makaton symbols to support the pupils too. She talked to the children about the importance about what they wear at different times of the day when walking along/crossing a road, how to cross the roads safely and the importance of being vigilant. This all worked really well as our value of the month is safety too!



Sunflower challenge 2025

Just a reminder to keep watering those Sunflower plants during this hot weather. How are your Sunflower plants growing?

These Sunflowers were all planted on the same day Bank Holiday Monday.

Eco-Council can't wait to find out who has grown the tallest Sunflower when we return to school in September.





NHS Minor Ailment Service



School would like to remind parents of the NHS Minor Ailments Scheme which is primarily designed as a "walk in" service so that patients exempt from prescription charges of all ages can access self-care advice for the treatment of minor ailments and, where appropriate, be supplied with over the counter medicines, without the requirement to attend their GP practice for an appointment and prescription.

This scheme is available to patients exempt from prescription charges who are registered with a participating General Practice in Dudley, Sandwell & West Birmingham and Wolverhampton CCG areas. Patients can access the scheme up to a maximum of 6 times in a 12-month period. Illnesses supported within the scheme may differ between locations.

Some illnesses covered include:

- Back-ache, sprains and strains
 - Colds
- Conjunctivitis
- Constipation
 - Coughs
- Diarrhoea
- Earache
- Haemorrhoids
- Hay fever
- Head lice
- Headache and fever
- Heartburn and indigestion
 - Insect bites and stings
- Mild eczema and dermatitis
- Minor fungal skin infections
 - Mouth ulcers
 - Nappy rash
 - Sore throat
 - Teething
 - Threadworm
 - Thrush

We are aware of these local chemists participating in this scheme though this can change so please check with the chemist.

Hingley Pharmacy Regis Medical Centre Darby St Rowley Regis
Asda Pharmacy within Asda Store Old Park Lane Oldbury
C H White Oldbury



TTRS Going Green!

A huge well done to Alfie K (Y4) who has recently gone green on Times Tables Rockstars!!!





Golden Book Awards



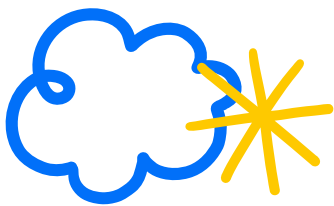
Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded a 'Golden Book Certificate' since the previous newsletter

13th June

RW - Francesca
RP - Alice
ISS - Holly
ICS - Lawson
2M - Mohammed K
2D - Rayan
3L - Jeevan
3B - Summer
4G - Muhammad T
4K - Freddie
5R - Riyad
5C - Esme-Rose
6P - Jennifer
6C - Ayden
French - Olivia-Rose (Y4)
PE - Luca (Y6)

20th June

RW - Aurelia
RP - Jaxon B
ISS - Savannah
ICS - Hermione
2M - Elliyah
2D - Albie
3L - Ivy
3B - Alyssa
4G - Bell Heath
4K - Bell Heath
5R - George
5C - Mohammed
6P - Amelia
6C - Ameerah
French - Kristopher (Y6)
PE - Oliver (2M)



Mrs Garratt's Tea Party

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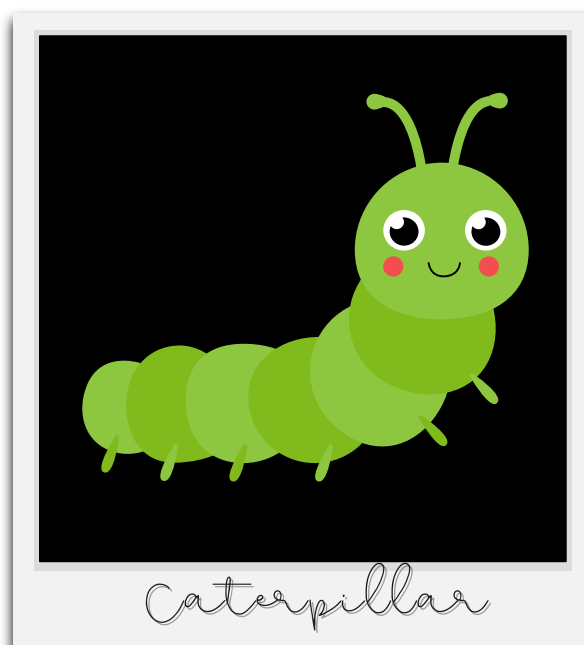
ICS - Ellissia
ISS - Azaan
2D - Callie
3L - Idrees
3B - Jasmine
4K- Oliver
4G- Ayana
5C- Jayden R
6C- Jack



Reception Newsletter

We had some special visitors arrive in class last week and the children have loved watching them!! We each have our own caterpillar! This week they have been eating lots and have grown so much. We can't wait for the next stage of their growth.

Next week we have our school trip to Telford Wonderland. Children need to be in school for 8am. They must wear their school uniform with trainers/ comfortable footwear (no wellies or sandals etc due to uneven ground). Children will need to wear sunscreen and bring a hat. If rain is forecast, please bring a waterproof too! If you have any questions then please speak to one of the Reception adults.



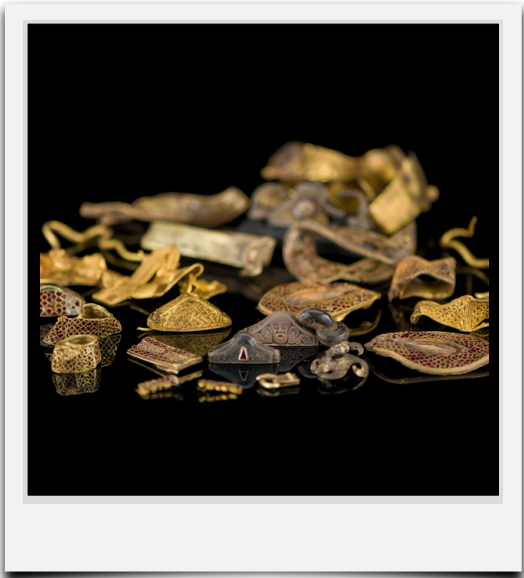
Year 1 & 2's Newsletter

In English Year One have been reading Last Stop on Market Street and had lots of fun going on their own bus journey around the playground! In Geography we have been learning about the seven continents and have located them on a map. We have particularly enjoyed learning a song about them which we look forward to singing to you in our assembly on 27th June. We hope you can come and see us.

In Year Two, we have been learning about going to the beach in the Victorian Era. We learnt all about how the Victorians travelled to the seaside, what they wore and different types of entertainment they had on the beach. In Geography, we have found seaside towns on a map. For Arts Week, the children created a beautiful piece of work linked to their family or the seaside. We are so excited for our trip to Weston soon.



Year 3 & 4's Newsletter



This week, Year 3 have continued their 'sentence stacking' lessons, when re-writing the Greek Myth about Theseus and the Minotaur. In addition to this, the children compared the climate of the UK and Greece in Geography. They learnt about the language 'Temperate' and 'Mediterranean' so they could explain the differences. In Art, the children have also designed the Greek pot they will be creating next week.

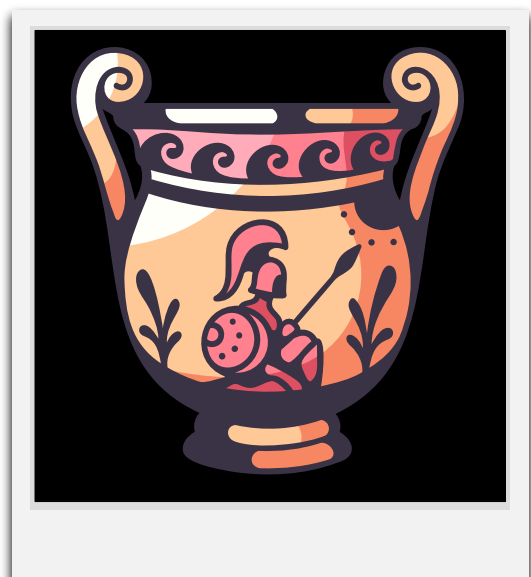
Year 5 & 6's Newsletter

The children of Year 5 have been enjoying our Science lessons recently. We have been focussing on the properties of materials and the children have enjoyed finding out which materials are soluble. They also had great fun separating mixtures using a variety of methods. In Art, we have been designing Anglo-Saxon jewellery which they will be making in the next couple of weeks - ask your child about their design.

In Year 6 the rehearsals for our end of year production have been gathering pace. It is coming together nicely so thank you for any work you have/are doing to help your child learn their lines. In Art, we have been studying the Pop Art movement and in particular the work of Andy Warhol. The children will be creating their own printed design in the next few weeks.

Well done Year 4 on completing your Multiplication Times Tables Check recently! You've all worked so hard and have made some wonderful improvements over the year.

This week, while lots of the children have been having fun in Bell Heath this week, the other children have been have completing a theme park project! In groups, the children have created mood boards, facilities, uniforms for the staff at the park to wear and park tickets all before creating their rides using junk modelling.



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 with the subject #myaspirations



Harry

We are always so proud when our children continue their learning at home. Here is Harry who has been continuing his learning on sand sculptures from his art lessons during a recent trip to the seaside!

Well done Harry!

#myaspirations



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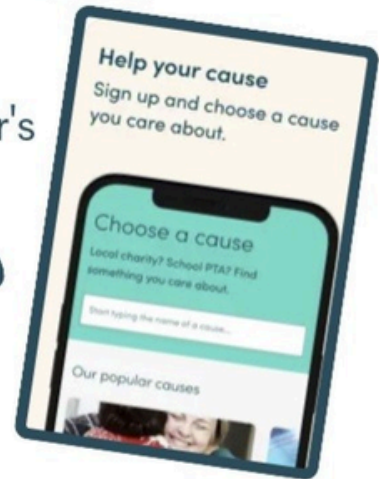


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