

HIGHLEY SCHOOL BULLETIN

6TH OCTOBER 2023

MESSAGE FROM MR PLIM

I showed somebody around school yesterday morning, and afterwards they say 'it feels like a cuddle'. I asked what they meant, and they said that the buzz and feel of walking around the corridors listening to what was going on in classrooms was wonderful, and they could see the care that both adults have for the children and children have for their peers. What a lovely way to describe it!

This week, every class has been focusing on poetry. It was truly a celebration of the power of words and creativity. On Thursday morning, the culmination of this was National Poetry Day. Our children showcased their remarkable talents as a class through reciting poems they had learnt as a class. The theme was 'refuge' and I was amazed that all the poems could be linked to places of safety, whether these were about school, home, friends or reading a book.

On Wednesday afternoon children were able to perform their class poems to you as parents and carers as we welcomed you into school. We hope this opportunity was useful to (a) be an audience for the children to perform and (b) engage with your children at a deeper level and collaborate! There were definitely some budding poets amongst you! We hope that these events where you can come into school and learn with your children will help to promote a love for literature and the arts within our school community. I would like to thank staff, children and parents for their hard work and dedication in making Poetry Week a resounding success, particularly Mrs Kelly for making sure poetry has a high-profile!

We are moving our Harvest assembly to next week so there is still time over the weekend to find any non-perishables to send into school. Your contributions will go a long way in supporting those in need within our local community - our Year 6s take the donations around the village to make sure it is going directly to people who will benefit, nominations can be made by <u>clicking here.</u> I am always proud to be part of such a giving and caring school community; our Harvest Festival is always one of my favourite times of

We had 4 parents who attended Parent Council on Wednesday. We had an excellent discussion around healthy eating, attendance, behaviour and feedback on some of our upcoming initiatives. This is always an excellent opportunity to come and voice your opinions, ideas and contribute to the continuous improvement of our school.

Finally, it is World Teacher Day today - I would like to take a moment to express my gratitude and recognise the efforts of all our teachers who go above and beyond for our children! Have a lovely weekend (a great conker-collecting weekend!), Mr Plim

EVENTS

UPCOMING

Ilth October - KS2 Rugby / Golf Festival

12th October - Reception Phonics Drop-In (8.50am)

12th October - 5 a side football Ludlow

16th October - Nasal Flu Vaccinations

18th & 19th October - Parent Consultations

20th October - TTRS Day

23rd October -Halloween Disco

26th October - Reception Phonics Drop-In (8.50am)

27th October - PD Day (School Closed)

30th October - 3rd November - Half Term

6th November - Return to School

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Thurs 19th Oct- Choir

Friday - Gardening Club

SCHOOL LUNCHES

W/C 9th October

Week 2 menu

SOCIAL MEDIA

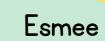
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TRS ROCK HEROES

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Punctuality has improved again this week with just 4 late arrivals from 2 families, well done everyone!

Our overall school attendance has dipped again, this has brought our attendance for the term down to 95.54% which falls below our target. Please encourage children to try coming into school if they have minor illness such as coughs, colds, sore throats & headaches. More guidance can be found here - illness guidance.

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Clee	95.56%	Hazelwells	92.59%
Miners	95.37%	Ironbridge	94.44%
Arley	98.07%	Severn	90.12%
Netherton	92.18%	Hitchens	92.89%
Station	94.69%	Wrekin	94.87%

RED = Under 90% (**)



AMBER = Under 96%



GREEN = Above 96%



Extra Play!

Hazelwells **Golden Time!**

Ironbridge Extra Play!









MR PLIM'S



CONKER



COMPETITION

Can you find the biggest conker in Highley?

Bring your conker into school, clearly

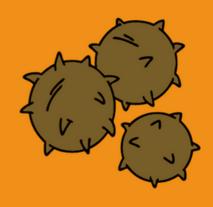
labelled with your name to enter!

Entries must be in by 23rd October!

There is a box of Lego up for grabs for whoever finds the biggest conker!









Elsie is our star in Clee class because she is always smiling, always joining in with activities and always being kind and considerate. You are a lovely member of the class!

Arley

Arley's star this week is Pippa! She has produced some amazing independent writing since starting in year I, and always strives to improve herself. We have been blown away by what she writes! She will always help her friends if she finished quickly too. She is always keen, smiling and such a great role-model.

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Miners star this week is Macey! She is always positive, always smiling and always willing to join in – whether it be answering questions during carpet time or getting on with her tasks. Her hard work is definitely not going unnoticed. We are so pleased with how well she has settled into the demands of Year I. Well done Macey!

Nelherlon

Zak is the star in Netherton class this week! He has really found his feet now in Year 2! His attitude to learning is exemplary to the other children. He is kind, helpful and polite. His hand is always up ready to share ideas and his answers, he works hard all the time and never gives up. He is always brilliantly behaved and fantastic to have in Netherton class.

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impressed us with her attitude to learning and is working hard in all our lessons. We were particularly impressed this week by how well you joined in with our class poem, and you always produce imaginative and creative writing ideas. Well done Esmee and keep it up.

Stars of the Week troubridge

This week we have chosen Jennifer to be our star! She has turned up to school with a positive attitude and given each lesson her best. Even when things have been tricky she has continued to persevere

Well done Jennifer!

This week in Ironbridge class, we have decided that Vino deserves the star of the week certificate. This is because he has been more focussed in class, he has been getting involved in whole class discussions and generally embracing school life with a positive attitude. Well done Vino, keep it up!

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The star this week is Heidi for being AMAZING and smashing the start of Year 6! For taking on the role of librarian, sorting our class book corner, refereeing in tag rugby and writing the most fantastic poetry this week. We're so proud of you Heidi!

Our star in Hitchens class this week is Ashton. He is such a star and gets on quietly in every lesson, often answering questions and always giving tasks 100% of his effort even though he may find them tricky. I have been so impressed with his resilience this term so far. He is a great friend to others and is a wonderful role model. Well done Ashton!

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Wrekin star of the week is Brooke. She has made a fantastic start to Year 5 and proven herself to be a great team player! She is an excellent example to others and has a very responsible attitude – making sure that all her classmates had copies of our poem to learn. She is such a help around class: it is like having a personal assistant! Thank-you so much for all that you do,

Brooke!

