



# HIGHLEY SCHOOL BULLETIN

## 29TH SEPTEMBER 2023

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3rd October - KS2 X-Country - Idsall
- 4th October - Parent Poetry Workshop (2pm)
- 4th October - Parent Partnership (3.30pm)
- 6th October - Reception Parent Poetry workshop 3pm
- 16th October - Nasal Flu Vaccinations
- 18th & 19th October - Parent Consultations
- 20th October - TTRS Day

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

- Thurs 19th Oct- Choir
- Friday - Gardening Club

### SCHOOL LUNCHES

- W/C 2nd October
- Week 1 menu

### SOCIAL MEDIA

- Twitter @highley\_school
- Facebook @highleyprimary
- Instagram @highleyschool
- [School App](#)

### MESSAGE FROM MR PLIM

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has definitely been a week of opportunities to get into school! On Monday it was lovely to see so many of you dropping in to meet children's teachers after school and having that chance to share your children's work so far with them. Then on Tuesday, we had our annual assembly to officially welcome our brand new Reception children. Again, it was so nice to see so many parents; many familiar faces but also lots of new ones joining our Highley family! Finally, today saw our annual coffee afternoon for Macmillan Cancer Support. This event simply would not run without donations of cakes and bakes, so a big thank you to parents and carers for providing the sweet treats! A further thanks to our excellent Year 6s who served you all this afternoon!

Tuesday was the second cross country event on the calendar, this time taking place at Oldbury Wells. We had more than double the number of children representing Highley at Idsall last week, spread across the age groups and they really did run their hearts out, many of them improving on last week's results! Miss Nixon and Miss Humphries said that the Highley team spirit was alive and well, especially when one of our runners was struggling to get around the course - all the Highley team ran with him to get him across the finish line. A lovely moment that really demonstrated our key school value of positive 'relationships'.

Last week our Year 5 and 6 children visited Oldbury Wells to take part in science workshops; giving them a taste of life in a secondary school. This week I received a lovely email from Mr Smith who manages transition from Year 6 to Year 7. He said 'what a pleasure it was to have the Highley students at the school, and that staff at the school had commented on how polite, engaged, and creative our children were in both sessions'. He also added that it was 'so nice to see them interacting with their current peers so nicely and they saw some older students as well'. Mr Smith wanted me to pass on my thanks to staff that accompanied and of course our children who clearly represented Highley and themselves so well!

To wrap up the bulletin, today is 'National Teaching Assistants Day'. I spoke about the importance of all of our wonderful support staff in celebration assembly this morning. Teachers simply could not do their jobs without them! Whether they are supporting our children, preparing meals in the kitchen, cleaning our school or working in the office, a personal THANK YOU to each and every one of them - they are an amazing bunch and I am very grateful to work with them all. We all really do think a great deal of you!

On that note, today we sadly say goodbye to Mrs Giles who has been with us for the last 2 and a half years, firstly as a volunteer and then supporting in Netherton and Hazelwells. It was amazing in assembly this morning, just how many children have worked with her in a relatively short space of time - a great team member who will be sorely missed! Thank you on behalf of everyone at Highley School!

Have a lovely weekend, Mr Plim

### TTRS ROCK HEROES



Ellie B



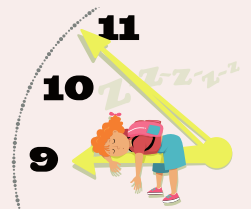
Stanley G



Molly K



# Attendance



We are below target this week for our overall attendance. There have been several late arrivals too. Please try to encourage children to get into school on time. We know it can be harder to get out of bed with the dark & wet mornings, but children soon wake up once they are in class with their friends. Also, please remember that if your child has a medical appointment you should let Miss Francis know in advance. Thank you.

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Clee	97.18%	Hazelwells	95.00%
Miners	94.17%	Ironbridge	93.50%
Arley	89.58%	Severn	94.81%
Netherton	95.93%	Hitchens	95.20%
Station	95.22%	Wrekin	93.85%

RED = Under 90% 

AMBER = Under 96% 

GREEN = Above 96% 



## HEROES

*Woohee!*

### Wrekin - Extra Play!

### Station - Golden Time!





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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!



Good  
Luck!



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# Harvest Festival



Any donations of non-perishable foods for our harvest festival will gratefully received, this could be:

Soup, Dry Pasta, Rice, Tinned Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Meal Kits or any other non-perishable items.

**PLEASE BRING ALL DONATIONS TO SCHOOL ON FRIDAY 6TH OCTOBER.**

If you would like to nominate someone to receive a harvest donation, please click the link below.

[HARVEST NOMINATION FORM](#)





# Stars of the Week

## Clee

Barney is our star this week. Well done Barney! you have really impressed us with all your hard work. Keep it up

## Arley

The star of the week for Arley Class is Akira! Akira tries so hard all the time and never gives up when she finds something tough. She always does the right thing and is a pleasure to have in class. Well done Akira!

## Miners

Louis is Miners star of the week. He is always cheerful and has a brilliant attitude to learning - working hard in every subject, often helping others complete their work too. Louis is always polite, kind and helpful and a lovely member of the class. What a great role model for us all!

## Netherton

Sydney is the star this week in Netherton for his fantastic effort he has put in to all of his subjects in our learning this week. You are trying really hard to do your best work and we are really proud of how hard you are working! Well done Sydney keep it up!

## Station

Station's star of the week is Ella. Her recent independent writing and reading assessments have shown that due to Ella's focus and great attitude to learning, she is making great progress. We are so lucky to have Ella in our class as she shows us that working hard and having resilience pays off. Ella is also always brilliantly behaved and a fantastic friend to everyone.



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## Hazelwell

Charlie is our star this week! Charlie has been doing some fabulous maths work over the past few weeks. He is really focussed during lessons and is extremely accurate with his answers! He was also extremely eloquent when conveying his proposed school council pledge and gracious in his acceptance of the outcome (as he had already been class council member last year).

## Ironbridge

Libby is our star this week. Libby has made great progress with her reading and has grown in confidence during lessons. Libby has joined in with whole class discussions, puts her hand up to answer questions and looked after our guinea pigs really well

## Severn

The star of the week in Severn this week has to be Fliss for bouncing into class every day with a huge smile on her face, trying out her best Spanish on us and really boosting her own confidence in Maths! Keep it up Fliss, what a great attitude!!!

## Hitchens

Our Hitchens class star is Isabella who has had a great week. Her reading has massively improved over the past few months and she is working extremely hard in every area. She is also an excellent choice for school councillor and I know that she will do a great job!

## Wrekin

Wrekin star of the week is George. He is trying so hard to grow and mature into a responsible Year 5. He works hard, is a polite member of class and is becoming a resilient learner. It's a big step up into Year 5, but George has demonstrated that he is ready to make that leap! Keep it up George!

