

HIGHLEY SCHOOL BULLETIN

17TH NOVEMBER 2023

MESSAGE FROM MR PLIM

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well that's another very busy week that has simply flown by. Before we know it, the Christmas fayre will be upon us followed by Christmas performances!

Last Sunday made me extremely proud to work at Highley School and be part of this community – the number of children who took part in the remembrance service was fantastic, not only our choir and school council on behalf of school, but also those that attended as part of the football teams, brownies and siblings who accompanied their parents to watch. As ever, it was a humbling moment in our school calendar and our children's singing and performance of 'In Flanders Fields' was amazing.

This week, children have had discussions in their classrooms about bullying and engaging in a range of lessons to remember the importance of working together and 'making a noise' about bullying for National Anti-Bullying Week. Reception children in Clee have made their own hands to add to our whole-school pledge in the hall and every class have created a class poster with important messages around this thems. annual 'odd sock day'.

Today, children have come in odd socks as a reminder that we should all be allowed to be ourselves, free from bullying; wearing odd socks is a reminder that children can express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes them uniquel

Today is also Children In Need and we have asked children to bring in a donation today and School Council will also be selling
Pudsey Bear biscuits. Children In Need is an amazing annual event and supports countless disadvantaged young people across the
UK. Together, we can help make a huge difference – we will let you know how much we have raised for this amazing charity
once we have all the money counted.

Children in Station and Ironbridge have had the chance to go to Bridgnorth Endowed School this week, with a trip for Hazelwells to follow next week! Links have been made with their Design and Technology team which means our children are getting to experience all of the amazing resources that a secondary school department has to offer! This is a wonderful experience for our children to visit a secondary school setting at a young age and raise their aspirations. A big thank you to Mrs Sherry for setting up this opportunity and we hope this will flourish into a strong links, allowing our children to access more opportunities in the future.

Our whole school attendance is better than in July and this week has been 95.6% which puts us above national levels – thank you. In order to help you make the sometimes tricky decision as to whether your child should come to school when unwell, the NHS have provided this great document for families to refer to: https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/ – a copy of this is also on our attendance page in the 'Parent Zone' on the school website.

Some time in Miners class this week hunting for leaves and sorting them in Science reminded me that it won't be long before the trees are completely bare! Whilst it isn't the best forecast this weekend, if you can find a pocket of time, why not go for a walk in the Country Park, Comer Woods or the Wyre Forest to appreciate those amazing autumnal colours?!

Warm regards Mr Plim

UPCOMING EVENTS

20th - 24th November - DT Week

20th November - Miners, Arley & Netherton - SVR Trip

21st November - Dodgeball Event by Invitation

21st November - Arthog Parent Meeting - 3.30pm

23rd November - KSI Cinema Trip

23rd November - Hazelwells DT trip to BES

27th November - Wonderdome for Y5/6

28th November - Y3/4 Country Park Trip

28th November - Pioneer Parent Meeting - 3.30pm

30th November - Y3/4 Stoneage Workshop

30th November - Open Morning -YR 2024

lst December - Christmas Fayre

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Wednesday - KS2 Dodgeball Thursday- KS2 Writing Club

Thursday - Choir

SCHOOL LUNCHES

W/C 20th November

Week I Menu

SOCIAL MEDIA

Twitter @highley_school
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School App

TRS ROCK HEROES





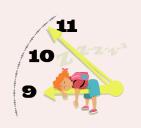


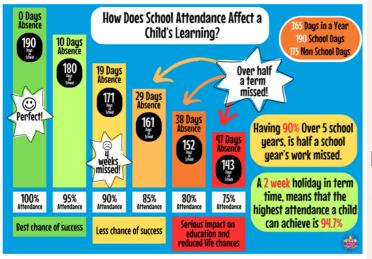












As you can see from this poster, children who regularly miss days in school are at a much higher risk of falling behind in their learning. Please consider this data when children are having prolonged absences from school. If you need any support, please contact Miss Francis or your child's class teacher.

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Clee	98.79%	Hazelwells	94.74%
Miners	96.80%	Ironbridge	92.38%
Arley	94.17%	Severn	93.33%
Netherton	99.64%	Hitchens	91.92%
Station	96.52%	Wrekin	94.23%

RED = Under 90% (**)



AMBER = Under 96%



GREEN = Above 96%

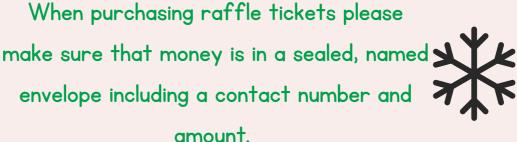


Punctuality is also very important, children need to arrive in school on time each day wherever possible to ensure that they are accessing all parts of their education. Arriving 5 minutes late each day equates to almost an hour of learning lost over a two-week period. Arriving late means that children miss their morning activity, the chance to have a bagel and the opportunity to settle into class with their friends. If you need support with getting children into school on time, please contact us.

Christmas Fayre

Raffle Tickets















Individual tickets are available to purchase for fl or a book of 5 tickets for £5.00 All tickets will be sent home with children.







Good Luck!





A Stars
Clee

Our star this week is Arianna. She has made great progress in reading and phonics. Arianna is such a lovely, kind and helpful member of our class. Well done Ariannna!

of the Week Miners

This week, Miners has two stars!

The first star is Destiny for overcoming her worries about coming into school. You have not found it easy adjusting to a new school but this past week we have seen a real change in you. You are now coming into school with a smile on your face, contributing well in class and showing your resilience every single day. Well done for keeping going.

Our second star is Ellie, an 'always' member of Miners Class! You are always smiling, always ready to learn and always do your very best. You are a kind and helpful member of the class and we love your cheeky little ways. Keep on being you Ellie, you are fab!

Arley

The star of the week for Arley Class is Joshual Josh has been doing so well in all learning areas at school. He has done some amazing writing this week, did brilliantly in his addition and subtraction work and has wowed us with his enthusiasm in Science. A star worker, we are all very impressed! Well done, Josh!

Amelie is Netherton's star this week. Amelie has had such a fantastic week. She has worked super hard in English with her writing. She has blown us away with how confident and quickly she has understood the tricky maths of exchanging ten. Most importantly she has had a fantastic attitude to her learning this week, always showing she is ready to learn. Well done Amelie! Keep it up!

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Station's star of the week is Sophie. Sophie continues to work hard in every lesson. Whether it's our Design and Technology work at Bridgnorth Endowed School or our daily work in class, Sophie will always be trying her best. Sophie is also a kind and caring friend to everyone – something we are especially grateful for in Anti-Bullying Week. Thank you, Sophie!

Stars of the Week fronting

This week we are delighted to be awarding our certificate to Matilda. She has really taken to life in KS2 showing us daily just how mature she is. Matilda is definitely an 'always' girl – always ready to learn, always conscientious, always helpful and polite and always smiley!

Tommy is our star this week in Ironbridge class. He has made excellent progress with his reading recently, working hard on his 'reading for pleasure'. Tommy has also made fabulous progress with his hand writing, focussing on his presentation and proof reading to make sure his sentences make sense. Keep up the good work Tommy, it'll be your pen licence next!!

Severn

The star in Severn is Harley for being such an amazing member of Year 6, for helping us out with a demonstration in Maths and for always looking after the younger members of our school. Well done Harley!!

Hitchens

Abbie is our star in Hitchens because she has wonderful relationships with us all. She helps the younger children in assembly and is someone that we can always rely on to do the right thing. She is also working hard on her Maths and English. Well done Abbie- we are very proud that we have got you in Hitchens' class!

(N)rekin

Wrekin's star this week is Shylah, for her consistently fantastic attitude in school! Shylah ALWAYS has her hand up in lessons and works hard in EVERYTHING she does! She is a great friend and a wonderful class member! Well done, Shylah! Keep it up!



