



# HIGHLEY SCHOOL BULLETIN

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 29th January - Y6 Arthog Trip
- 2nd February - Y6 Return From Arthog Trip
- 5th - 11th February - Mental Health Week
- 6th February - Safer Internet Day
- 7th February - Y4 Pioneer Trip
- 9th February - Y4 Return From Pioneer Trip
- 12th - 16th February - Half Term
- 19th February - Return To School
- 21st February - Rec & Y6 Height & Weight Screening
- 22nd February - Y6 Parent SATs Meeting @ 3.30pm
- 23rd February - OPAL Cake Sale
- 24th February - Table Top Sale
- 26th February - 4 & 5 Year Old Dental Survey  
by invitation
- 28th February - LKS2 Sportshall Athletics  
by invitation
- 5th March - KS2 Tag Rugby  
by invitation

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Stageworkz - Thursdays

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

W/C 29th January  
Week 2 Menu

## SOCIAL MEDIA

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

## 26TH JANUARY 2024

### MESSAGE FROM MR PLIM

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have absolutely loved looking through some of the activities you have uploaded to Seesaw for our Highley 100+ 'passport to success' since its launch last term. From Rowan and Seth's growing seeds (EYFS no. 9), Macey's trip on a steam train (KSI no. 13), Isla's visit to Alveley Country Park (KSI no. 1) to Georgia's swimming beyond 25m (UKS2 no. 13). One of my favourite examples was Zac in Year 5 who visited Birmingham and was so affected seeing a homeless man living on the street that he was determined to help and bought the man lunch. By helping somebody in the community, Zac completed Upper KS2 no 24. Well done Zac - a really worthy example!

This weekend is dry and bright and the perfect excuse to go out and 'tick off' some of the Highley 100+ activities. Whether you plan a walk to the Country Park (EYFS no. 1), learn how to play a new sport (KSI no. 1), build a den (LKS2 no. 15) or climb the Wrekin (UKS2 no.27), it is a good opportunity to plan to get outside and complete something together as a family - remember to pop it on Seesaw so that we can share it in class!

Early next month on Tuesday 6th February, we will be doing activities in school to take part in 'Safer Internet Day', a national day where we have a focus on online safety. This year's theme is about making a positive influence on the internet and as a school, we are going to focus on recognising the things that can change the way we think, feel and act online and offline.

Over the last week, we are aware of some issues outside of school around children's online communication; whether this is through headsets on consoles, using apps or through social media. Please make sure you are taking time to talk to your children about what they are using technology for, and understand what apps they are using and the potential risks. I have attached a couple of guides for being kind online and below is a reminder of the legal minimum ages for some well-known apps that children may be using outside of school. I am always happy to help if you have any queries about ensuring privacy settings are in place.

Please remember that every other Thursday morning in Clee, there is a Phonics weekly drop-in - next one this Thursday! Year 6 are off to Arthog on Monday for a week of amazing activities and experiences. From rock climbing to canoeing to gorge walking with plenty of time on the beach at Fairbourne. Fingers crossed for some decent weather!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Plim



## TTRS ROCK HEROES

Kevin



Jacob H



Leland





# Attendance



## Punctuality Rewards – Spring 2024

Class	1st Jan	8th Jan	15th Jan	22nd Jan	29th Jan	5th Feb	19th Feb	26th Feb	4th Mar	11th Mar	18th Mar
CLEE			Green								
MINERS											
ARLEY		Blue									
NETHERTON				Blue							
STATION											
HAZELWELLS	Orange										
IRONBRIDGE	Green			Orange							
SEVERN	Orange	Green		Blue							
HITCHENS	Orange										
WREKIN											
WHOLE SCHOOL											

1 week on time arrival  
Well Done!

2 weeks on time arrival  
15 Minutes Extra Play!

4 weeks on time arrival  
Golden Time!

1 week on time arrival  
Non-Uniform Day!

A big well done to Netherton & Severn who have earned golden time for 4 weeks on time arrival. Congratulations to Ironbridge too who have earned extra play for 2 weeks on time arrival!

We had 17 late arrivals this week, please do try to arrive by 8.50am at the latest each morning to ensure children reach their full day of learning.

A good night's sleep is the best start to a school routine and will help children to feel energised for the day ahead. If your child struggles with a bedtime routine, see the link below for some advice.



### Sleep Advice

Well done to Hazelwells and Severn classes who had over 96% attendance this week. We'd love to see more classes in green next week!

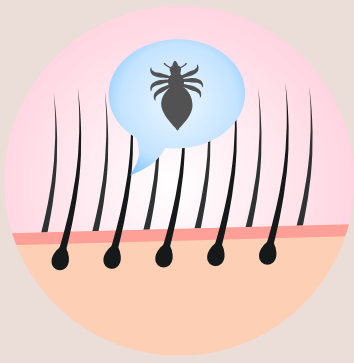
## Attendance Overview – Spring 2024

Class	1st Jan	8th Jan	15th Jan	22nd Jan	29th Jan	5th Feb	19th Feb	26th Feb	4th Mar	11th Mar	18th Mar	Term
Clee	91%	96.40%	90.40%	94.40%								
Miners	94%	92%	90.80%	94.62%								
Arley	84.38%	87.08%	84.17%	87.92%								
Netherton	94.55%	96.0%	96.0%	88.32%								
Station	85.87%	94.35%	91.30%	87.83%								
Hazelwells	86.84%	93.16%	94.2%	96.50%								
Ironbridge	89.29%	94.76%	95.24%	93.33%								
Severn	92.59%	99.26%	99.26%	97.4%								
Hitchens	86.54%	93.85%	91.54%	80.77%								
Wrekin	91.35%	91.5%	85.77%	90.38%								
Whole School	89.84%	93.88%	91.87%	91.04%								91.98%

96% or above  
On Target – well done!

95.99% – 90.0%  
Under Target – room for improvement

90% or below  
Persistent Absence – concerning



# Headlice



## How are lice normally treated?

If you suspect head lice, check the base of the hairs for eggs. They are oval, yellow or white, and tiny, less than one millimetre long. Also look carefully at the hair to see if you can spot adult lice. Favourite spots for infestation are behind the ears, and at the nape of the neck. If you can't see anything, try combing the hair with a fine toothed comb over a piece of white paper to see if any lice drop out.

Most people prefer to try natural methods to treat this problem first. This is a good idea because lice are becoming increasingly resistant to chemical treatments. The most effective is wet combing but it is hard work and you'll need to be persistent.

## According to Great Ormand Street, the best procedure is as follows:

- Wash the child's hair and apply a generous amount of conditioner, which should be left in.
- Use a good quality fine toothed steel comb and comb the child's hair in small sections over a piece of paper so you can see the lice drop out. Wipe the comb clean on a piece of tissue between each stroke.
- Continue until you can't see any more lice or nits after combing. This will probably take at least half an hour.
- Repeat every three or four days for at least two weeks so you remove any hatching lice before they have the chance to lay new eggs. You can't remove the eggs by combing, only the lice.



# OPAL



This week we have seen lots of wonderful play at school, including mud cakes, guttering and pipes used as roads and water ways, cardboard boxes as cars and helmets as well as dancing to music and dressing up. If you have any items that you think children would enjoy playing with, please donate to the school office. We are also in need of some storage boxes or suitcases, so please bring these in too if you have any spare!

Congratulations to Connor who is the second recipient of our 'Golden Broom' award!





# Stars of the Week

## Clee

The star in Clee class this week is Ryder. He has shown great resilience and managed to overcome a worry this week and we are all very proud of him. He is also becoming a more active learner and is working really hard to remember all his sounds. Ryder is always smiling and he is a lovely member of Clee class. Keep it up Ryder.

## Miners

Miners star this week is Grace, such a lovely member of our class! Grace is definitely an always girl. She is always doing the right thing at the right time, ready to learn, hand up answering questions, and a lovely friend to her classmates. She never looks for recognition but quietly gets on with her work always to the best of her ability. We are so proud of Grace and very lucky to have her in our class. Well done Grace, what a super star you are!

## Arley

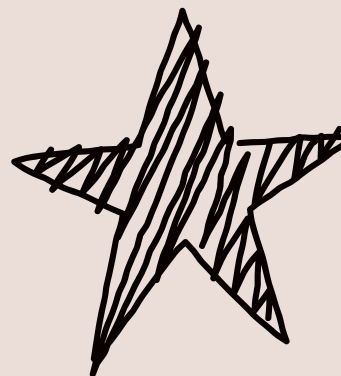
The star of the week for Arley Class is Ivy! Ivy is such a kind and helpful girl who always tries her best, even if she finds something difficult. She never gives up! As a result, she is starting make good progress in her reading. Ivy is the perfect role-model for her friends.

## Netherton

Lara is Netherton's star this week! She could have this award every day of every week. Her behaviour and attitude to learning is just exemplary. Her writing and how hard she works on it is amazing. She always takes on feedback given to her make those sentences even better. Her attitude to learning doesn't just stop in school. She continues this love of learning outside of school, she is reading everyday, practising her times tables and she is on spelling shed. She is always going the extra mile for her learning. Well done Lara and thank you for all your hard work!

## Station

Station's star of the week is Vinnie. Vinnie has delighted us all recently with his contributions on Seesaw. We have really enjoyed listening to him talking about his interests outside of school. Vinnie is always brilliantly behaved and has excellent relationships with his friends. He is also becoming more resilient in 'having a go' at some of our more challenging work in class. Well done, Vinnie and keep it up!





# Stars of the Week

## Hazelwells

This week we have chosen Leighton as our superstar. He has always tried hard but since returning after Xmas he has been showing lots more confidence. This week, particularly, he has been sharing his maths knowledge and is really working hard on his tasks. We have also been impressed with his sketching and shading skills in art. What a super start to 2024 Leighton!

## Ironbridge

Leon is our star this week because he has been using some wonderful vocabulary in his English work and has put in extra effort to his PE lessons. Leon has generally been 'on fire'. Keep up the good work Leon!

## Severn

Star of the week in Severn is Lillie-Mae for having such infectious enthusiasm for her learning! Lillie has been all smiles over the last few weeks and is certainly gearing up for SATs. She has had her hand up in every lesson and started making (and using!) her own revision cards!!

An amazing attitude Lillie, well done!

## Hitchens

Our star for this week is Daisy. She is always smiling, always resilient, always works her hardest and is a great role model to other children. She has also been adding decimals really well this week. Well done Daisy!

## Wrekin

Evie-Willow is the star in Wrekin this week for doing a fantastic job of keeping the cloakroom neat & tidy, showing respect for everyone's belongings! Evie is also growing in confidence & putting her hand up all the time in class! Evie is a fabulous class member and we are truly lucky to have her, well done Evie!

