



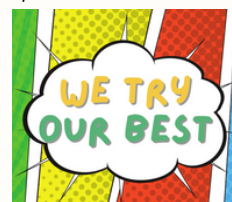
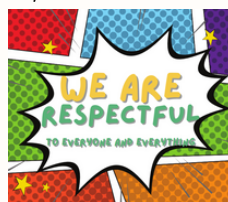
# HIGHLEY SCHOOL BULLETIN

## 23RD FEBRUARY 2024

### MESSAGE FROM MR PLIM

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know, last year School Council developed 3 playground rules outlining our expectations for when children are playing together. This year, one of School Council's tasks has been to work with their class groups to generate 3 simple whole-school expectations/rules that link to our school values of Respect, Relationships and Resilience. They have simplified them numerous times to a point where they are short and memorable. This is what they have produced - we really like them both for their simplicity and their link to our values:



We introduced these in assembly today and will now be developing posters showing what these expectations look like in practice. Mrs Williams may even work her magic on creating a song or rap involving them! Through following these expectations/rules, we know that children will strive to be their best selves whilst here at school.

Another of our pupil groups, our school librarians are possibly the most diligent group of children at Highley! They are so passionate about reading and they always make sure that the library is tidy and organised. Starting next week, the librarians are really pleased to announce that the library will be opening up on Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes for children to visit and enjoy reading for pleasure as part our lunchtime provision.

If you visited a local Tesco between October and January, you may have been dropping blue tokens into our grant application pot...we have just learnt that we have been given a grant of £500 towards playground equipment, which is fantastic news! Thank you for supporting our cause and we will let you know what this grant has gone towards :-)

Once again, it has been an absolute pleasure to log onto Seesaw and see your half term adventures! I have seen lots of visits to Wroxeter, London, Hawkstone Park Follies, the Wyre Forest, the Engine House and also experiences at home, whether it's learning to swim, trying a new sport or helping bake and cook tea.

Next Friday we have a wonderful day planned with the team from 'Science Boffins', starting with an assembly of awe and wonder and then some super workshops to enthuse children about their science ahead of National Science Week later in March.

Have a great weekend everybody, Mr Plim

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 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
- 7th March - World Book Day
- 11th March - STEM Week
- 13th & 14th March Parent Consultations
- 14th March - Y5 Oliver Trip
- 15th March - Red Nose Day Fundraiser
- 18th March - Team Treat

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

- KS2 Sign Language - Tuesday
- KS1 Football Skills - Wednesday
- Y6 Maths Booster - Wednesday
- Stageworkz - Thursdays

### SCHOOL LUNCHES

W/C 26th February

Week 1 Menu

### SOCIAL MEDIA

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

### TTRS ROCK HEROES



Brooke



Lara



George





# 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				Green					
NETHERTON				Blue			Green				
STATION											
HAZELWELLS	Orange										
IRONBRIDGE	Green			Orange							
SEVERN	Orange	Green		Blue	Green						
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!

Although we have not seen an improvement in the number of classes all arriving on time this week, there has been a slight reduction in the overall late marks received compared to the week before half term. Please continue to encourage children to arrive on time, there is a reminder of our attendance challenge below.

Attached this week is information on self-regulation that you may find useful to share with your children.




Well done to Clee, Miners & Netherton for achieving over 96% attendance this week! It is also great to see less classes in red this week, we hope to see this continue over the rest of this half term!


## 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%	86.32%	98.7%	98.22%					
Miners	94%	92%	90.80%	94.62%	89.32%	90.77%	96.92%					
Arley	84.38%	87.08%	84.17%	87.92%	91.67%	94.17%	95.83%					
Netherton	94.55%	96.0%	96.0%	88.32%	90.69%	92.73%	97.12%					
Station	85.87%	94.35%	91.30%	87.83%	90.34%	87.83%	91.74%					
Hazelwells	86.84%	93.16%	94.2%	96.50%	98.33%	97.49%	93.50%					
Ironbridge	89.29%	94.76%	95.24%	93.33%	96.83%	97.35%	93.8%					
Severn	92.59%	99.26%	99.26%	97.4%	90.95%	98.14%	90.74%					
Hitchens	86.54%	93.85%	91.54%	80.77%	85.47%	85.38%	83.79%					
Wrekin	91.35%	91.5%	85.77%	90.38%	94.02%	87.69%	91.5%					
Whole School	89.84%	93.88%	91.87%	91.0%	91.12%	92.80%	93.24%					92.34%

- 96% or above On Target - well done!
- 95.99% - 90.0% Under Target - room for improvement
- 90% or below Persistent Absence - concerning



# ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY HAVE DECLINED NOTICEABLY THIS ACADEMIC YEAR. WE WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE ALL CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TO ATTEND SCHOOL REGULARLY AND ON TIME. OVER THE NEXT FIVE WEEKS (19TH FEBRUARY - 22ND MARCH) WE WILL BE RUNNING TWO COMPETITIONS FOR ALL CHILDREN IN SCHOOL...

1) ANY CHILDREN WHO ARRIVE ON TIME EVERY DAY (BEFORE 8.55AM) FOR THE NEXT 5 WEEKS WILL BE ENTERED INTO A PRIZE DRAW TO WIN AN EASTER HAMPER.

2) ANY CHILDREN WHO ACHIEVE 96% OR ABOVE ATTENDANCE (1 DAY OR LESS ABSENT) OVER THE NEXT 5 WEEKS WILL BE ENTERED INTO ANOTHER PRIZE DRAW TO WIN AN EASTER HAMPER.

THIS GIVES CHILDREN TWO OPPORTUNITIES TO WIN!

WE HAVE WRITTEN TO LOCAL BUSINESSES FOR PRIZE DONATIONS, SO FAR THE PRIZES WILL INCLUDE A FRUIT BASKET, CHOCOLATES, BISCUITS, CAR MOT, EASTER EGGS.





# Stars of the Week

## Clee

Our stars in Clee Class this week are Rowan and Barney.

Rowan has made fantastic progress in reading and is now segmenting and blending confidently. He is also trying really hard with his letter formation, even writing some words by himself. Well done Rowan!

Barney has wowed us with his writing skills by independently writing instructions for making pancakes. He used his phonic knowledge to build his sentences and his letter formation was perfect! Well done

Barney, keep it up!

## Miners

Olivia is Miners star this week. This award is to particularly recognise the kindness she shows to her classmates each and every day. Such a lovely member of our class, Olivia is always looking out for others and there to offer a gentle hug or some encouragement when she sees a need. We love that she notices when her friends are struggling and makes a positive step to supporting in any way she can. Your friends are very lucky to have you in their class, Olivia, you are a star!

## Arley

The star of Arley Class is Johana! Johana has settled so well into our school, which has been quite tricky having moved from another country. She is becoming much more confident talking to her friends and adults and is building some good relationships. She works very hard and she is starting to make progress in her reading. Well done,

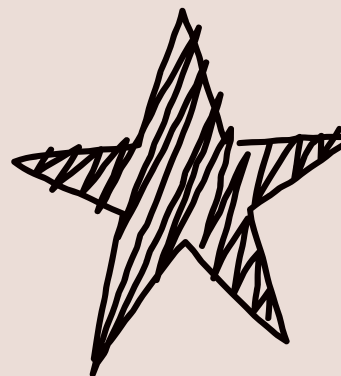
Johana.

## Netherton

Sienna is the star this week in Netherton. She could have the star every week. She is just wonderful to have in class. She works hard in everything, she is always trying her best and most importantly she takes her time. She puts so much thought and care into her work whether that is maths, science, art or computing. She really focuses, we have especially noticed it in her writing. She is creating beautiful pieces of writing in her book and it's always well presented with the neatest handwriting! Well done Sienna, keep it up!

## Station

Station's star of the week is Ella. Ella has particularly impressed us with her writing this week and we are delighted with the progress that she is continuing to make. However, Ella also works hard and tries her best in every single lesson - something that has to be recognised and rewarded. Well done Ella and keep it up! (We're sure you will) 😊





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## Hazelwells

This week we have chosen Joseph to be our star. He has had a fantastic week. Joseph has been noticed doing the right thing and being kind and polite by lots of people, including other children in the class. We are really pleased to be awarding you this Joseph. Keep it up - it's so lovely that you're being noticed for positive reasons!

## Ironbridge

This week in Ironbridge, we think that Amelia deserves some recognition for working so hard in school, being a fun and kind friend and moving up a book band in reading. Well done Amelia!

## Severn

The star this week in Severn is Eben for working so hard in everything and blowing us away with his writing! Eben has completely immersed himself in our Neptune writing and gave us some brilliant ideas to help make our own work more interesting. Thank you and well done Eben, your ideas have inspired us all!

## Hitchens

Our star in Hitchens class is Nathan this week. He has been far more settled, focused and has been really helping his friends to make good choices at lunchtime. Well done Nathan!

## Wrekin

Wrekin 'star of the week' is Ollie. Ollie can be relied upon to always try his very best. Even when he might find that work challenging, he doesn't allow this to deter him in his efforts. He is so determined to do well and is not afraid to ask for help when it's needed! A great example of resilience and taking responsibility for his learning. Well done, Ollie!

