



HIGHLEY SCHOOL BULLETIN

THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

93.84%

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 7th - 14th March - Scholastic Book Fair
- 11th & 12th March - Parent Consultations
- 13th March - YR Phonics & Reading Open Door Session
- 18th March - Y3 Pentabus Rehearsal & Performance
- 18th March - Y5 Lacon Childe Taster Day
- 19th - 21st March - Y4 Pioneer Residential Trip
- 21st March - Red Nose Day Fundraiser
- 26th & 27th March - Mothers Day Sale
- 31st March - 4th April - DT Week

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Coming Soon

SCHOOL LUNCHES

W/C 10th March

Week 2 Menu

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7TH MARCH 2025 MESSAGE FROM MR PLIM

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a really good start to this term and the children have come back to school with brilliant attitudes to learning. When I open the gates in the mornings, it is always great to see their enthusiasm for school!

Year 1 and 2 had a fabulous trip to Ludlow on Wednesday as part of their castles topic. The weather could not have been any better for the visit - it was perfect conditions to explore the parts of an actual medieval castle - so many staff and parent helpers have commented on how amazing children's behaviour was on Wednesday; we were very lucky that the castle was unusually quiet, so Highley pretty much had it to ourselves!

Mrs Cooke and Miss Humphries were equally beaming on return from the tag rugby competition on Tuesday - they took a mixed group from across Year 3, 4, 5 and 6. In Miss Humphries' words, 'the children came together in such a wonderful, supportive way, which was amazing to see.' Mrs Cooke also talked about the encouragement shown by the older children in the group - it really does sound like our children showed massive resilience and sportsmanship in bucket-loads, what was particularly pleasing was to hear how much respect the children showed for each other and towards all the other teams.

If your child cycles or scoots to school, could you please remind them about the importance of keeping themselves safe on the way to school - I have received reports this week from parents of some of our older children riding down the middle of the road.

World Book Day yesterday was again memorable and got us all buzzing about books. I absolutely LOVE seeing our pupils and staff channelling their favourite literary characters. From The Gingerbread Man to Dogman, from Mr Strong to Little Miss Sunshine, there were some super costumes - we also had the full cast of Alice in Wonderland! Once again, we enjoyed paired reading and sharing our reviews and recommendations with each other - topped off with a fabulous Reading Café after school, thank you to the parents and carers who joined us to share a book with their children. World Book Day would not run as smoothly without our very own in-house 'Children's Laureate', Mrs Kelly - thank you for organising our activities for the day and enthusing each and every one of us about reading.

Before we return to school on Monday, perhaps find a time and a place to snuggle up with a favourite book this weekend,

Mr Plim

TTRS ROCK HEROES



GEORGIA S



PIPPA



JACOB E



Focus On SEND

This week has seen each teacher in the school updating the Individual Education Plans (IEPs) for some of our SEND children.

What is an IEP?

An IEP is a special plan designed to help students with additional learning needs succeed in school. It's like a roadmap that guides teachers, parents, and the student to make sure everyone is working together to support the student's strengths and areas that need extra help.

The IEP outlines the specific goals that the student will work towards, along with the tools, strategies, and support they'll need to reach those goals. These might include things like extra time on tasks, help from a teaching assistant, or special equipment. The plan is reviewed regularly to make sure it's helping the student make progress, and adjustments are made if needed.

In short, an IEP is there to ensure that every child gets the support they need to learn and grow at their own pace!

If your child has an IEP, your child's teacher will discuss this with you at Parents' Evening. Please feel free to suggest amendments as we want this plan to be as effective as possible.

In other news, I am meeting with the Calm Class and Sunshine Room staff next week to ensure that our Nurture provision goes from strength to strength. As our Nurture Lead, Mrs Powell has just passed a level 3 certificate in understanding Autism. She already shares her wealth of experience with us on a regular basis but this will be another 'string to her bow!' We know that it has been a lot of work and we are very lucky at Highley to have so many staff who undertake extra training (often in their own time) so that outcomes can improved for each pupil.

My final news for this week is that Mrs Poppleton will be working with me to see if we can make aspects of 'Cool Kids' (an intervention to improve gross motor skills) more accessible to children in each class. Watch this space!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Williams





World Book Day



Stars of the Week

Clee

The star in Clee this week is George P. He has made amazing progress in both his reading and writing in such a short space of time! George also makes us all smile every day with his comical observations and mannerisms. Well done George, keep it up!

Miners

Oscar is Miners star this week for working so hard on spelling year 1 common exception words. He has really wowed us with being able to read and spell these words and is now working on the year 2 list! Very well done Oscar, keep up the good work... we are looking forward to seeing these words appear in your writing in English in the coming weeks!!

Arley

Our star of the week in Arley is Elijah! He has been coming up with some great ideas in our recount writing of our bug hunt using alliteration to describe the bugs! He has also been working really hard in history telling me all about the different features of a castle and what we might see! He has also been super brave and kind. Elijah helped his friends on the trip get to the top of the castle by telling them they can do it and giving everyone motivation! Even though he was a little nervous himself, but he was so happy when he reached the top! Well done Elijah- keep up the good work!

Netherton

It wouldn't be fair to just choose 1 star in Netherton class this week because every single one of them were absolutely fantastic this week and are all stars!! We had our trip to Ludlow castle where all the children in Netherton represented our school beautifully and showed all our school values as we went around.

They were an absolute pleasure to take out of school and Miss Humphries and I are very proud of all of them. Thank you Netherton for a lovely day :)

Station

Station's star of the week is Vinnie. Vinnie is our star because we have noticed a big improvement in his confidence in maths. You are now using your known number facts and calculation methods much more independently. Keep it up, Vinnie - all this hard work will pay off!

KS1 Attendance Bear



Stars of the Week

Hazelwells

The star in Hazelwells this week is Lilly-May!

Lilly-May is a delightful class member who always gives her all! She is a lovely friend to all and is just an all-round great Year 3! Keep being you, Lilly-May!

Ironbridge

Arthur is the star in Ironbridge this week, this is because of his wonderful learning attitude and hard work in his Spanish lessons. Not only has he been working hard for his own learning, but he has also been supporting his peers during Spanish too!

We'll done Arthur.

Severn

Leon is the very deserving star in Severn this week for amazing us all with his reading progress. Wow Leon, you have flown in both your reading ability and your understanding. You also wrote some great description of Mount Everest for your story. Well done!

Hitchens

Our star of the week in Hitchens is Olivia. She is a great member of Hitchens, someone that we can always rely on to do the right thing and she is also a good friend to others. It is also lovely to see her looking after her sister Lola and helping younger children to play nicely at lunchtime.

Well done Liv- keep up the good work!

Wrekin

Star of the week in Wrekin is Tommy. He has such a positive learning attitude, with a resilient 'never give up' attitude. He may sometimes find the work a bit of a challenge but is always willing to give it a go. This is paying off in so many areas, such as his reading and maths. He is also a polite and thoughtful young man - he will often ask Staff how they are and will greet us with a smile on his face! In addition (as if that wasn't enough!) he represented the school well at a recent rugby tournament and it was noted what a good team player he was!

Keep up the hard work, Tommy!

KS2 Attendance Trophy

