

## HIGHLEY SCHOOL BULLETIN

### THIS WEEK'S **ATTENDANCE**

92.46%

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

15<sup>th</sup> July - Y6 Fun day 16<sup>th</sup> July - Team Treat 21st July - PD Day - School Closed 22<sup>nd</sup> July -29<sup>th</sup> August - Summer Holidays Ist September - PD Day - School Closed 2<sup>nd</sup> September - Return To School 2nd - 4th September - Reception Home Visits 5<sup>th</sup> September - Reception In School Until 12pm 8<sup>th</sup> September - Reception In School Until 12.30

### AFTER SCHOOL **CLUBS**

8<sup>th</sup> September - Reception Class Parent Lunch

Gardening Club - 19<sup>th</sup> May - 14<sup>th</sup> July

### SCHOOL LUNCHES

W/C IHth July Week I Menu

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

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### 11TH JULY 2025 MESSAGE FROM MR PLIM

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you parents and carers for sending children in with sun screen, sunglasses and hats this week, the sun over the last 2 days in particular has been intense, so we do appreciate you preparing the children for the hot weather!

As we hurtle towards the end of term, inevitably the events come thick and fast. This week was no exception with Year I and 2 walking down to visit the Country Park as part of their local Geography topic. At the same time, I took a wonderful group of Year 3 and 4 children to the tri-golf event at Oldbury Wells. Boy was it hot and sunny! We had 2 teams of 4 children who represented Highley brilliantly and one of our teams finished 3rd!

Wednesday saw the final swim session for Year 5 and 6 - a fun pool session after working so hard this half term improving their strokes and in some cases, swimming unaided for the first time! I can't think of something better to do on a hot day than be in an outdoor pool!

Also on Tuesday, Year 6s SATS results were published and we are really pleased with how children performed. 70% of children reached the 'expected' level in their Maths, a huge jump from last year. 73% of the children reached expected in Writing, whilst 70% made the standard in Reading. Thank you for supporting children in preparation for these assessments and a big thanks to staff for helping children on their educational journey to this point.

On the subject of Year 6, they performed their Leavers' Play to parents on Wednesday - and showed what a wonderful bunch of children they are; clear, funny with smiles on their faces, we hope you were as entertained as I was when I watched it on Tuesday!

Finally, today saw our bike and scoot-a-thon on the daily mile track, with each class having a slot to enjoy being active around the track. We shortened the timings a little due to the strong sunshine, but children loved the opportunity to ride the course!

Annual reports have been sent home with children this afternoon (please see the separate reports letter) - I enjoyed reading every single one of the 242 reports. It is really clear how insightful staff are with their intimate knowledge of children's character and what they need to do as their next steps. I hope you enjoy reading them as much as I did.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, Mr Plim



















This is just a quick one from me this week as we begin to 'wrap up' this years' provision and look ahead to provision for next year. Of course, EHCP applications and updates will continue to arrive throughout the Summer and so I will be working to get those returned on time but, on the whole, the Summer will offer time to rest, recharge and return with renewed plans and enthusiasm. I am excited to build on our successful Calm Class, Zones of Regulation programme and Nurture provision as well as enabling our skilled teachers and TAs to create and implement bespoke plans that will help our SEND children to thrive.

May I also take this opportunity to thank the huge amount of parents who have met with me this year and worked with me to implement and adapt strategies to help your children. Polite, courteous, respectful discussion where children are at the centre is always welcomed and, although there is always room for improvement within a school, I am so proud of how we endeavour to work together as a team, even when referrals are unsuccessful, we are frustrated and unfortunately, there just does not seem to be enough support in the LA to meet our children's needs. I will be sending a survey out ASAP to see where SEND provision at Highley can be improved. I really do welcome constructive feedback- it is also lovely to hear about the positives- but, if we are able to improve things further next year, we will.

Have a wonderful weekend in the sunshine,

Mrs Williams

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Frankie is the star in Clee for being a really helpful member of Clee class and for your enthusiasm in maths. Keep it up next year!

Arley

The star of the week for Arley class is Georgia! She always gives 100% effort at school, especially in her reading and writing. But she is also extremely kind. She was very supportive on our school trip to her friends who were finding the walk hard, encouraging them to keep going. You are a great friend, Georgia.

Salion

Station's star of the week is Minnie. Minnie has kept working hard all year. She has great resilience and keeps trying her best. Minnie is a fantastic friend to everyone, and her behaviour is always brilliant. Well done, Minnie!

Congratulations to the incredible Miners Class!

Your brilliant behaviour and energy on our walking trip to Severn Valley
Country Park made the day happy and memorable. From start to finish,
you showed teamwork, kindness, and curiosity. Well done to the map
readers who kept us on track too! It was a real pleasure to spend time
exploring nature, spotting wildlife, and watching you playing well
together at lunchtime. Your enthusiasm was amazing. You were
respectful, responsible, and absolutely fabulous company. Keep being
the amazing people that you are!

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Netherton's star this week is Hudson

Hudson is Nethertons star this week, Hudson has shown a
massive interest in learning all about Highley, Hudson really
enjoyed our trip to the country park this week working well
in his group.

Well done Hudson.

Attendance Bear

Netherton



# Hazelwells

The star in Hazelwells this week is Thomas! This is for his increased focus and a much better attitude in school, showing how mature he can be! Keep it up, Thomas!

## Severn

The star in Severn this week is Leon for being an amazing human being! You don't seem to believe us when we tell you Leon, but you work so hard even when you find things tough and you are a ray of sunshine for all of us in the class. Thank you for being you Leon, and for making us smile every day.

## Hitchens

Our star in Hitchens is the lovely Freya. She has worked so hard all year and has really grown in confidence. It has been great to see her widen her friendship circle and develop more of a 'can do' attitude. Well done Freya!

## Pronbridge

This week in Ironbridge class, we have decided that Oliver should receive some recognition for his consistent hard work. Oliver puts a lot of effort into staying focussed in all his lessons and tries really hard to do his best. He is supportive of his friends and can always be counted on to be a good role model. Well done, Oliver!

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Wrekin star of the week is Franklin. We have been waiting for this moment for some time but today we have finally got there! Throughout the week you have consistently made good choices. You have been friendly and respectful to adults and children alike. Incredibly helpful in class and during the Year 6 performance, where you contribution was valued. On the playground, you have played nicely and sensibly with your friends. THIS is what we wanted to see! What a fantastic end to your Y6 journey - keep this up Franklin and you will go far! Well done!

