



HIGHLEY SCHOOL BULLETIN

**THIS TERM'S ATTENDANCE
94.58%**

UPCOMING EVENTS

22nd December - 2nd Jan - Christmas Break - School Closed
22nd December - HAF Christmas Camp
5th January - PD Day - School Closed
6th January - Return To School
15th January - Sleep Tight Group - 9.30am - 11.30am
16th January - Understanding Your Child - 1pm-3pm
27th January - Football Tournament (By Invitation)
16th -20th February - Half Term (School Closed)

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Coming Soon

SCHOOL LUNCHES

W/C 5th January

Week 2 Menu

SOCIAL MEDIA

Twitter @highley_school
Facebook @highleyprimary
Instagram @highleyschool
School App

**19TH DECEMBER 2025
MESSAGE FROM MR PLIM**

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we embrace the festive season, it's a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the importance of 'giving'. At Highley, we believe that teaching the value of generosity fosters empathy, compassion, and social responsibility within our community. Donations for Bridgnorth Foodbank in exchange for wearing a Christmas jumper last Thursday and the delivery of our 'Bags of Kindness' were testament to this. Both initiatives are not just about the act of giving, but about nurturing well-rounded individuals who will contribute positively to our community and society as a whole. One of the Year 6s described handing out the Bags of Kindness around the village as a 'wholesome' activity to be involved in - such a great word to describe an activity that helps our children grow into caring citizens who understand the impact of their actions on others.



In a separate example of 'giving back', fifteen wonderful children performed on stage at Oldbury Wells on Tuesday - Miss Cunningham sent me an email afterwards which was a wonderful summary: *"I just wanted to email to say what a wonderful and magical evening it has been with our choir tonight. They were perfect representatives for the school and I was ever so proud it be part of this evening. The children were polite and respectful. The way they engaged and encouraged other schools with their performances was inspiring (dancing along in Highley fashion and showing off their sign language skills). The courage they showed on stage with their big smiles and their voices filled the room beautifully! They should be incredibly proud of themselves."* What a lovely summary and if you've seen our children sing, I'm sure you would agree with this sentiment! The CEO of the Trust-Ed group of schools also emailed Mrs Williams saying: *"Highley pupils were such a credit to you"*, so a huge thank you to Mrs Williams for helping our children shine!

Wednesday saw our annual Christmas Dinner - Mrs Mantle's 25th here at Highley! A huge thank you to her, Mrs Walford and Mrs Dalziel for their efforts in serving 250 meals (and 250 decorated Christmas biscuits!), it was delicious as always. Yesterday, Autumn team enjoyed their team treat of a drumming demonstration and workshop, and a little Christmas treat to take home - we go again in January!

Finally, some sad news, but today is Miss Cash's final day at Highley School. Miss Cash has already said goodbye twice before, finishing 2 teaching placements as part of her teacher training, but I am afraid this goodbye is more 'final' as she is taking up her first teaching post in a new school - we have loved having her at Highley; she will make a super class teacher and we wish her the best of luck in the future!

As we celebrate this season of giving, and on behalf of all the staff at Highley, I would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all parents and carers for their support - we wish you all a joyful and festive Christmas, filled with warmth and kindness,

Mr Plim

TTRS ROCK HEROES



Holly M



Oscar M



William Y



Rock



Understanding your child

From toddler to teen

- Would you like to know more about your child's development?
- Do you need help and support to understand your child's behaviour?
- Would you like a chance to meet with other parents and carers with children of a similar age?

Join us for our free face-face group

Understanding Your Child

Friday 16th January 2026

NEW TIME 1PM-3PM

Highley Primary School
Grasmere Dr, Bridgnorth WV16 6EH

All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School

Holidays.

To book a place email
Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk
or call 01743 250950

Find more free online courses at:
inourplace.co.uk/shropshire



If you would like more information about the group above or below, please contact Miss Francis (rachel.francis@highleyschool.co.uk).

Does your child struggle with their sleep?

Free Sleep Tight Groups

Join us on one of our virtual or face-to-face groups

- Find out why sleep is important for our health and emotional wellbeing
- Get support to help improve sleep and bedtime routines
- Meet other parents/carers to share and discuss experiences

Thursday 15th January 2026

From 9.30am to 11.30am Highley Primary School Grasmere Dr, Bridgnorth WV16 6EH

The workshops run for 5 weeks from the start date.

To book a place email Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call 01743 250950

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The only number you need:

Whether you think a parent or family needs some support, or you are worried a child might be at risk of abuse or neglect, there is only one number you need - 0345 678 9021.

From this number you will receive the support you need to get the right help at the right time to support families and safeguard children.



A Quick Guide To Head Lice

Symptoms & Detection

The main symptom is an itchy scalp. Children may hardly notice head lice or may have only minor scalp irritation.



Move a fine tooth comb through wet hair from the scalp outward. Lice are usually found at the back of the head or behind the ears.

Eggs (or nits) are oval-shaped, greyish white and can be seen firmly stuck to the base of hair shafts. They are easier to see because they greatly outnumber lice.

Care

Use a special shampoo, cream or lotion to kill the lice eggs. To get rid of them, use a fine tooth comb to carefully pick them out.

Wash your bedding and clothes in hot water. These items should probably be dried in a drying machine that reaches 54 degrees Celsius for about 30 minutes.



Transmission

Head lice are most common among children aged 5-11, but can affect almost anyone. The infestation is spread by close personal contact and possibly by shared combs, brushes, hats and other personal items.

Stars of the Term

Clee

Olive & Daisy are Clee Class Stars of the term! They have both been chosen by their friends for being kind, helpful, a good listener and a great role model. Well done both!

Arley

Arley Class has voted for Martha as their star of the term! We are so glad she has noticed by her friends as being kind, hardworking and always doing the right thing. Her teachers have all noticed too, so is an amazing role-model. Well done, Martha!

Station

Station's star of the term is Kassie. Kassie's classmates have voted for her because she is an excellent role model who always demonstrates our school values. Kassie is a kind and helpful member of the class, she always challenges herself with her learning and is respectful to everyone in school. Well done Kassie, you really deserve this!

Miners

Oskar is Miners star of the term chosen by his peers and recognised by all staff for consistently demonstrating all of our school values and for being a truly fantastic friend.

Well done, Oskar!

Netherton

Elsie has been voted Netherton's star of the term and we couldn't agree more! She is a joyful girl who just oozes positivity and her smile lights truly up the room. Her kindness knows no bounds - she is so willing to help in any way she can.

Elsie was elected as a school councillor and she has embraced this role beautifully. In fact, she demonstrates all of Highley's school values with such maturity and enthusiasm. Well done Elsie, we hope you are as proud of yourself as we are of you!

KS1

Attendance Bear



Stars of the Term

Hazelwells

Dulcie has been voted as star of the week by her class for being a wonderful role model who always does the right thing.
Dulcie is an all-rounder who is always kind and helpful. Well done Dulcie!

Severn

Star of the week in Severn is Sophie for being a fantastic friend and working so hard! Everyone is Severn - children and adults - have seen the progress you have made already this year and we are all so proud of you! Keep it up Sophie, you might not notice the difference, but everyone else does!

Hitchens

Hattie has been chosen by her classmates as Star of the Term for her kind and polite nature and for being a consistently positive role model. She always comes to school ready to learn and demonstrates maturity in everything she does. Hattie is a helpful and caring member of the class, a good friend to others, and someone who can always be trusted to do the right thing.
She should be extremely proud of herself.

Ironbridge

The 'Star Of The Term' in Ironbridge class is Sydney. This was voted for by the whole class! Sydney is always hardworking, kind, and helpful, and consistently does the right thing. He comes to school ready to learn, is a great friend to everyone, and brightens our classroom with a wonderful sense of humour. We are so proud of you, well done!

Wrekin

Wrekin star of the term - our pupil vote- is Amelia! It is of no surprise that Amelia was chosen as she is well respected amongst her peers. Some of the comments made include: she works hard and 'just gets on with her work'; she is always trying her hardest and has her hand up in class and 'just for being a great friend in everything you do'! The adults in class would thoroughly agree! Well done Amelia - our 'Star of the Term'!

KS2 Attendance Trophy

