

Highfield Primary School



Newsletter 30th November 2021

This has been a very busy month at Highfield with a very successful Inter Faith week, where we welcomed faith leaders from four different faiths. The children really enjoyed the experience and it was lovely to welcome visitors back to Highfield. Our Year 5 children also enjoyed a Roman Theme day as part of their history topic and Year 6 took part in trial Taekwondo lessons. Our Nursery Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are also busy rehearsing for their Nativity Production, which this year will be professionally filmed and shared with the children's parents.

Parent Meeting Survey Thank you to everyone who responded to the recent survey following the Target Setting telephone meetings. We had 155 responses and of the responses received 87% stated they preferred virtual meetings. I am so pleased that the feedback from parents has been so positive, with many commenting how the `virtual meetings fit better into my busy life as a working parent` and that the meetings were `more private and convenient`. Other positive comments were `I felt the teacher could focus on my child, it didn't feel rushed with other parents waiting`. Parents also felt the booking system was easy to use. Of the 13% (20 responses) who preferred face to face meetings the main reason cited was `I wish to look at the whole book not just the examples of work sent home`. Therefore based on the feedback received we will continue to hold virtual parent meetings for Spring term but look to consider ways to send books home before the meetings whilst ensuring they are back in school for the children to continue using. We will continue to review parental feedback following the meetings next term. I would also like to remind parents that should you wish to speak to the class teacher throughout the year please contact them via the office email so that a mutually convenient appointment may be made or speak to them when collecting your child at the end of the day.

BBC Children In Need

Due to your generosity we raised £254 for Children in Need. This year with the theme of `Superheros` it was lovely to see how many children came dressed as Key Workers.

Birthday celebrations

A reminder to parents that due to the increasing and varied number of food allergies of children across the school we are no longer able to accept `treats` to give out to classmates at school.

After Activities January 2022

We hope that from Monday 10th January 2022 we will be able to continue to offer a range of after school activities for the children. Clubs on offer will be:

Monday – Netball, Cartoon Club

Tuesday - Football Year 4,5,6

Lego Club for Reception, Year 1 & Year 2

Wednesday – Football Year 1,2,3

Thursday – Girls Football

These after school activities will run from 3.15 - 4.15pm. Early next week further details will be sent out. Those children on the wait list for oversubscribed clubs will be given priority if they still wish to take part.

Christmas & End of Term Activities

Wednesday 8th December – Christmas Lunch. Please ensure you order by Friday 3rd December. The ordering system changed in November. Please check your child's lunch has been ordered.

Friday 10th December – Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children. Donations will be collected at the gate.

Tuesday 14th December - Nativity Production Filming
– Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & Year 2

Wednesday 15th December – End of Term Parties

Thursday 16th December – Pantomime

Friday 17th December - End of term - school finishes at 1.15pm

As always we thank you for your continued support and look forward to an enjoyable December for the children.

Ms Lisa Corrigan
Headteacher