



NEWSLETTER - 7th February 2020



Golden Book - Well done to you all!

Since the last newsletter was published these children have received Golden Book certificates...

	31 st January	7 th February
RW	Dia	Amelia H
RD	Jasneet	Ava-Grace
IM	Lily Grace	Anabelle
IS	Aisha	Archie
2P	Aneesa	Assiya
2S	Amelia	Taleah
3B	Ellie	Hasan
3G	Charlie	Tyrese
4G	Megan H	Labiba
4R	Ella P	Seth
5K	Liam M	Matthew
5S	Ethan H	Charlie
6C	Farouk	Tegan C
6W	Harvey	Amrit
PE	Haroon	Susan

Record Breakers!

A huge well done to *Jaipreet* on her Guinness Book of World Records achievement. Jaipreet took part in the largest simultaneous performance of one show (Beauty and the Beast) across multiple locations – not just in England but also across the world. Due to the enormity of the event, and the strict rule checking, it has taken a while for it to be made official! In fact almost 3 years! The record attempt was made in 2018, then the achievement was confirmed in 2019 and it will be entered into this year's Guinness book of Records!



I wanted to say a thank you to all of the children this week who have been bringing me examples of fantastic work this week. I am blown away with some of the work you are doing in school and also really impressed with the work/projects some children are producing at home as part of the classes topics. I love seeing your hard work so please keep it up!

Mrs Garratt

Young Voices 2020



I am not often lost for words but I cannot let this newsletter go out without mentioning the fantastic evening that was Young Voices 2020. To say I was beyond proud of Highfields would be an understatement. From the second the children arrived at the arena their behaviour was impeccable. They outshone every other school that was there with their talent, dance moves and enthusiasm. As well as every child, I would like to thank all the parents that came, sang, danced and supported Highfields. Thank you. My last thank you is to Miss Banyard, every year she goes over and above to make sure our children (and staff) have the most fantastic time. Therefore, to everyone who attended, children, parents, staff and to Miss Banyard – thank you so much for making 2020 the best Young Voices yet!

World Book Day



World Book Day will be celebrated this year on **Thursday 5th March 2020**. Children are invited to dress as a favourite book character and to bring a story they enjoy reading in to school. The theme this year is 'Share a thousand stories' so as many of these stories as possible will be shared during the day. We thank you in advance for your support and look forward to seeing the outfits that the children wear.

Mrs Lewis

Value of the Month -



13th February - Reception hands and teeth talk Y6 weights and heights

14th February - Training day - school closed for children

17th - 21st February - **HALF TERM** - School closed for children

Value of the Month



5th March - World Book Day

13th March - Reception assembly to parents

13th March - PTA Disco
 YN-Y2 - 5.00-6.15pm
 Y3-Y6 - 6.30-7.45pm



Attendance and House Point Awards

Sandwell Local Authority sets our attendance target at **96.5%**. This week's whole school attendance was **94.8%** so this week we were **below** target! The winning classes attendance are...

EYFS - RD - 97.5% KSI - IS - 99.3% KS2 - 4G - 98.3%



Rowley
376



Haden
434



Clent
417



Kinver
465



Nursery and Reception

Just a reminder that the Reception Stay and Play session is on Tuesday 11th at either 10.30-11.30 or 2.00-3.00pm.

Children should have brought home a reminder slip with your chosen session on. The children are also hard at work practicing their assembly, which will be on Friday 13th March at 9am.

The Nursery Stay and Play sessions will run on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th 9-10 or 12.45 – 1.45. If you would like to attend one of the sessions, please speak to one of the Nursery staff.

Please can we ask if your child has any school reading books at home that you return them? We now have a limited number of books to share out with families as some are not being returned and swapped on a weekly basis. Thank you!

We look forward to seeing you next week at our Stay and Play sessions! Thank you

Miss Westwood – Phase Co-ordinator



Year 1 and Year 2

Year 1

Year 1 have continued to study the story of 'Sir Kit's Quest' and this week have written their own fantastic versions of the story. A phonics presentation and workshop has been organised for Y1 parents on Monday 2nd March at 9am. A letter will be sent home containing all the details about this.

Year 2

Year 2 have been continuing to enjoy their 'Into the Wild' topic. This week, year 2 practised their cutting skills in a DT lesson in preparation for when they make their African soup using a bridge hold and claw grip to cut safely.

"We had to cut and hold cucumber and grapes and make sure we cut straight. It was fun!" (Ava, 2P)

Also, well done to 2P, who received extra break time last Friday for being one of the classes that had the most children reading at home. 23 children read at home 3 times last week- well done and keep up the good work!

Important Dates

27th February- Year 1 trip to Warwick Castle

28th February- Year 2 trip to West Midlands Safari Park

Mrs Lewis- Phase Co-ordinator

Year 3 and Year 4

Year 4

The children of Year 4 have been enjoying Art. We have studied the paintings of Claude Monet and the children have painted some beautiful flowers using watercolours.



On Thursday 27th February, there will be a meeting at 3:30pm for the parents of children going on our residential trip to Bell Heath. We will be able to offer details of the activities to be undertaken and answer any queries you may have.

Year 3

Year 3 have had a fantastic time cooking this week. They really loved making scones, they looked and smelled delicious. The staff certainly enjoyed any extras that had been made!



Mr Roper – Phase Co-ordinator

Year 5 and Year 6

Year 5

Year 5 have been lucky enough to enjoy visits from The Birmingham Symphony Orchestra who are working with them over a number of weeks. So far, they have created musical phrases and performed them to their peers!

Date for the diary – Just a reminder that year 5 will be performing their year group assembly on **Friday 7th February**.

You are welcome to join us from 9.00am to watch what we are sure will be a fantastic show!



Year 6

Year 6 enjoyed dressing up for Number Day in aid of NSPCC on Friday 7th February. We completed a variety of number related activities and developed our arithmetic and reasoning skills at the same time!

Just a reminder that after half term Year 6 SATS booster sessions will begin. Maths clubs will run on Mondays and English clubs will run on Tuesdays!

Mrs Ward – Phase Co-ordinator

