



HLA News



Friday 5th November 2021

Dear Families,

Welcome back to school after a busy first week after half term.

I need to inform you that after consultations between the Local Authority and Government, Cambridgeshire LA have been designated an Enhanced Response Area due to rising Covid levels in the area. This means that additional measures to prevent the spread of Covid will need to be applied for the next 5 weeks at least. These measures include:

- Face coverings to be worn in corridors by staff and secondary aged students (where able)
- Visitors restricted to essential only on site
- All meetings to be conducted virtually or via telephone
- Regular hand hygiene
- Testing of all secondary aged students twice per week via LFT

As you will see we have already implemented these measures at school. If there is an outbreak of cases and they exceed a threshold where cases are deemed to be connected we may be advised by the Health Protection Agency to implement further measures. We will of course inform you if this is the case. Please do not forget to report all results to the covid inbox covid@highfieldlittleport.org every Wednesday and Sunday.

Thank you to everyone who responded to our consultation about our Relationships and Sex Education and Personal and Social Health Education policy. Overall the feedback was 'keep doing what you are doing'. There was one suggestion about the sharing of topics before they are taught. Keep an eye on Class Dojo as teachers share at the beginning of each half term what students are learning at school. The policy and curriculum plans will now be approved by Governors at our next meeting.

An exciting art and creativity development. As well as our school twitter feed (@highfieldlittle) we now have a twitter feed where we can share all of the amazing creative work that goes on here at school. Follow our page on twitter @HLAArtMusic We want to see the great work at home too so feel free to send it in to our dedicated art email address (HLA-Art@highfieldlittleport.org) for us to share on these pages. Another fantastic resource which is great for our students to access is [Singalong - Information \(electricumbrella.co.uk\)](http://Singalong - Information (electricumbrella.co.uk)). There is a brilliant platform where students can securely sign in and join a collaborative weekly sing and dance session to meet new people of a similar age and ability. Why not try it out?!

Letters have also been sent out for our first Year 8 residential taking place in April 2022 to Kingswood. Please ensure you complete the letter no later than Monday 8th November with the deposit paid via ParentPay. We want to be able to open up further spaces if possible to other year groups for this great opportunity.

I hope you have a great weekend and please stay safe everyone.

With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern

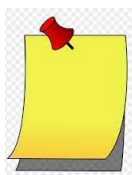
Head of School



Golden Book Stars of the Week



No certificates were awarded this week due to it being the first week back – check back next week!



Important Information



- Although Covid-19 protective measures have been relaxed please remember the need for regular hand washing and social distancing at school. Also secondary aged students who are able to are required to wear masks in corridors and communal areas at school.
- Can I remind everyone that we are **nut free school**. If students bring products in containing nuts it will be necessary to confiscate them for the health and safety of all our learners. We also have some learners with other allergies so would request your understanding if we communicate some items are not bought in. This is to ensure the safety of all concerned.
- Please follow our twitter pages @highfieldlittle and @HLAArtMusic to see the great work we do with the arts. Don't forget you can email in artwork that you complete at home for us to share to the following email address: HLA-Art@highfieldlittleport.org
- Secondary aged students please don't forget to test twice weekly and report results to covid@highfieldlittleport.org as well as the government website. This is increasingly important now that we are in an Enhanced Response Area within Cambridgeshire.
- Year 8 parents please ensure reply slips and payment for the Kingswood residential are returned NO LATER than Monday 8th November 2021 in order for us to see if we can open up spaces to other students.
- Don't forget we have a Moving On Event based at Highfield Ely on Thursday 11th November 4.30 – 6.30pm. This is for students in years 9, 10 and 11 who have already received a letter.

Online Safety Tip of the Week:



- A lot of our students are using Snapchat. Take a look at the information sheet on our Facebook page and remember the age limit for this platform is 13.

Mental Health Tip of the Week:

