



# HLA News

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023



Dear Families,

We have had a fun and busy week here at Highfield Littleport. The students have continued to be as engaged as ever.

Jeannette has arranged a coffee morning for Parents/Carers in the school hall from 10.00-11.30 am on the **11<sup>th</sup> July**, but if you drop off your child earlier you are welcome to come and have a coffee with us. Jeannette has arranged for Joan Adamson from SCIP to attend, (SCIP is an information and advice service for families with children/young people from birth to 25-year-olds with a disability or additional needs). Joan will introduce us to her role and inform us how she is able to support us, and also answer any questions you might have regarding the service. She is also able to provide us with information regarding activities being held during the school holidays. Hot drinks and biscuits will be provided. Please feel free to take a look at the link to see what they offer:

<https://send.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/kb5/cambridgeshire/directory/site.page?id=YJAM8Xlxork>

Next week the classes downstairs will be treated to a celebration afternoon on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July. Letters have been sent out asking for donations of treats for the students. SOHLA have kindly agreed to fund a bouncy castle for the afternoon as a reward for all of the student's hard work. Classes upstairs will have a similar event

We are hosting our school disco on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July and tickets have been issued to students. There will be a tuck shop so students are encouraged to bring their pennies. Downstairs classes have their event between 5pm and 6pm and upstairs classes at 6.15pm-7.30pm. Please remember that parents are responsible for transporting students to and from the event. We look forward to seeing lots of the students there. Also on 13<sup>th</sup> July we will be holding our sports event. Information and invites have been shared separately. It is going to be a busy week!

On Monday we will be sending out letters informing students of their new classes for September along with your child's annual report summary. A progress summary will be posted on Evidence for Learning and all parents have access to evidence and progress via the system. We have already begun some staff familiarisation activities to make sure students are well prepared for their next step.

Unfortunately due to rising costs from our suppliers we have had to take the decision to increase the cost of school meals. As from September the school meal cost will rise to £2.70 per meal which still constitutes good value. Payment will still continue to be via Parent Pay and the usual ordering system.

Today we had a great visit from Warrant Officer Mo Howard from RAF Marham. He spoke to our older students about jobs and careers in the Royal Air Force and our lower school students had a great practical session with lots of the equipment. The students were very enthusiastic about the session and there was great feedback. Many thanks to him for giving up his time for coming to talk to us.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern

Head of School



## Important Information



- The school year ends on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July.
- Our school disco is on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July, tickets have been distributed and we look forward to seeing you there. Please remember that parents are responsible for transport to and from the event.
- Please don't forget that students are only allowed to bring in plastic water bottles to school.
- Your child's individual report, Evidence for Learning profile and information about classes for next year will be shared on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July.
- We are a **nut free school** so please do not send in any products containing nuts. This also accounts for sun cream too so please keep an eye on the ingredients in the bottles.
- Please remember we are a dog free site (excluding assistance and therapy dogs)
- Our sports afternoon is taking place on 13<sup>th</sup> July for all classes apart from Wren's, Robins and Owls. Please see individual letters for information and replies.
- Don't forget to download the Evidence for Learning Family app so that you can view progress reports. If you need your password reset please contact the office.

### Mental Health Tip of the Week:

**Accept who you are.**

Some of us make people laugh, some are good with numbers or words, others cook amazing meals. We are all different in some way - and that's OK.

### Emotion of the Week

Our emotion of the week is anxious. We are revisiting previous emotions and now exploring the way they make us feel and how to respond appropriately.



### Online Safety Tip of the Week

Remember to be aware of what you post online. When a photo is posted it is in the public domain and available to everyone. Also think about the types of photos you are posting online.

**Sending a sexually explicit photo of someone under 18, is ILLEGAL, even if you are sending one of yourself**