



HLA News



Friday 14th January 2022

Dear Families,

What a busy week we have had here at HLA!

We are still having trouble with Covid here at school and the added pressure that this brings to staffing. Unfortunately, this week it has been necessary to revert to online provision in some instances due to the health and safety impact that low staffing levels have had. You will be notified via our Class Dojo pages of the arrangements if we have to take these decisions and will only do so at the last resort.

This week we have seen another change to the guidance concerning self-isolation periods which I need to make you aware of. With effect from Monday 17th January the following applies:

- If staff/students have the 3 main symptoms of Covid-19, please isolate immediately and book a PCR test to confirm positive or negative. The three main symptoms are a new continuous cough, a high temperature, a loss of sense of smell or taste.
- If you are close contact of Covid-19, students/staff can come into school but are advised to test daily on LFT for 7 days.
- If you test positive on a LFT test without the 3 main symptoms, you must isolate immediately and report the result to the school Covid inbox (covid.hla@highfieldlittleport.org). You are not currently required to have a PCR to confirm this and self-isolation starts from this date.
- Vaccinated staff/students can return to school after 5 days of isolation if they are testing negative on day 5 and day 6 (the morning before you return). The way to calculate this is the day of the positive test or start of symptoms is called day 0. The next day will be your first day of isolation.

Unfortunately due to Covid I have not been able to get into classes to see what great learning they have been doing. I have heard about some excellent intentional communication and signing happening in Owls class which is great to hear. Also S4 have been having some great conversations about the importance of careers and different jobs. Such great skills from both classes in preparing for adulthood.

In other news I have also been informed that in Littleport there was a fundraising effort over Christmas in aid of HLA. A group of local carol singers raised £150 for our school. The students are going to discuss at their next school council meeting what they are going to use the money for. A huge thank you to all who support our school.

Thanks all for your incredible support so far this term. I hope everyone stays safe and well.

With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern

Head of School

Golden Book
Stars of the Week

Eagles Class Student

For working hard at using a gently voice to interact with friends and help them learn to do tricky new things.

Sparrows Class Student

For perseverance in phonics. When it wasn't quite right she tried again and again.

Sparrows Class Student

For independently completing number bonds in maths.

Eagles Class Student

For always giving his very best to all classroom activities and for having a lovely cheery outlook.

S2 Class

For excellent team work. The pupils in S2 have been having thoughtful paired conversations in English and listening to each others point of view. In PE they also demonstrated excellent team skills when they were practising throwing and catching.

S3 Student

For giving 100% when learning a new skill in dance this week.

S3 Student

For contributing to group activities consistently.

S3 Student

For overcoming her worries and having a positive 1st horse riding lesson.

S5 Student

For using her initiative to independently find an answer to a question.

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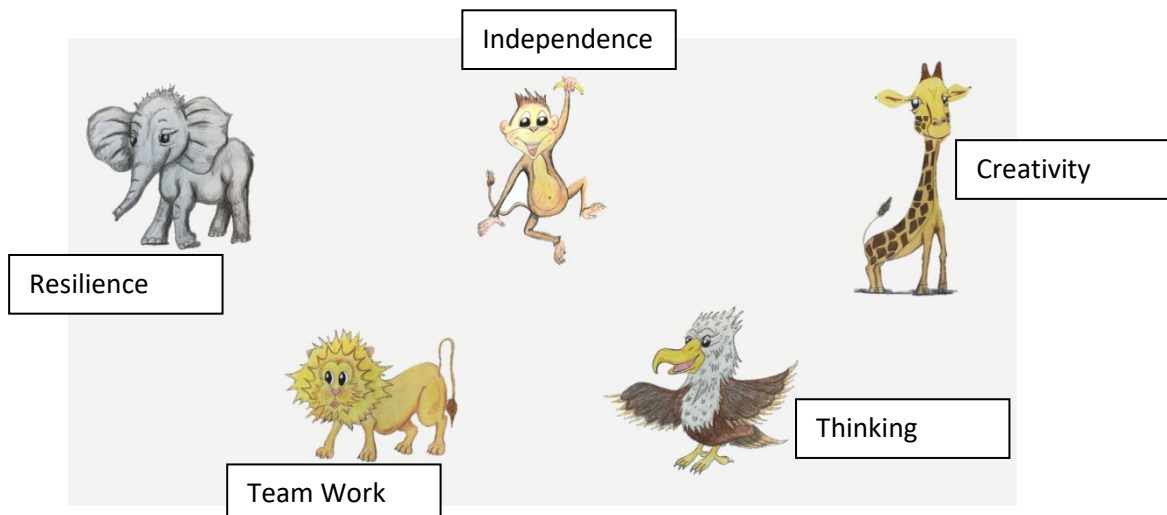
For demonstrating independence when buying a hot chocolate at Costa at CRC.

Wrens Student

For his concentration and trying really hard with his reading.

It is fantastic to see so many of our learning values demonstrated both in class and within the award certificates. Don't forget if you see any great learning at home you can post it on your child's Evidence for Learning profile.

Our Learning Values at HLA



Important Information

- The school immunisation service will be arranging to come in to administer the second Covid vaccine for 12-15 year olds. You can also source this yourself locally via the NHS link. For those pupils who have not yet had their first dose this needs to be organised by parents. Please use the following link which will help you do this: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>
- 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 be reminded to adhere to our communication protocol as attached to this newsletter. This ensures that you speak to the right person at the right time.
- Secondary aged students please don't forget to test twice weekly and report results to Covid.HLA@highfieldlittleport.org as well as the government website. Thank you to those who routinely test and report, this really is making a difference to identify cases at an early stage to help prevent the spread of Covid.

Online Safety Tip of the Week:



Please continue to be aware of age certification on video and online games. We want to ensure that the games students are exposed to is appropriate for their age and abilities.

Please see age certification for games information below:



Mental Health Tip of the Week

