



HLA News

Friday 14th March 2025



Dear Families,

We have had a great week here at Highfield Littleport. We have had a few changes with the transport arrangements but all of the students have adapted so well.



The builders are making some great progress with the turning circle initial works for the extension. The turning circle is now in use and working very well. Thank you to parents and carers for your cooperation in the altered arrangements. You will see that the hoarding has now been put up around the main extension build. They are in the process of putting the foundations for the piling mats in preparation for the steels being erected. It is happening at a very fast pace!

This week we had the official ground breaking ceremony for the start of the extension. Our CEO Lynsey Holzer came to help us officially start the build. We had some students outside to help us who all had to wear PPE of course. RG Carter presented us with an engraved spade which we will be proudly displaying in the extension when it is completed. Around where the build is being completed there is secure hoarding so that everyone stays safe. There will be vision panels installed so that we will be able to see the progress of the build. To get the students involved they will also be painting the hoarding to liven it up. I cannot wait to see what they come up with.

Today we had a great mural installed at school to share all of our learning values at Highfield Littleport. Kindness, resilience, creativity, thinking, teamwork and independence are embedded in everything we do. These elements prepare our student for adult life. Huge thanks to Mr Skillern for putting together the great design and to Pro-S UK for their brilliant print and install. We are looking forward to the student's reaction on Monday. Here is a look for all of you at home...



Students in S2 have been extra creative this week. Within their learning theme 'Kings and Queens' they have been transforming their pictures into royal portraits. The students have really encompassed their personalities in each one. Learners in H3 have been focussing on the kindness and team work learning values. This week a group of students began some work with the learners at Stepping Stones Pre-School. They did fantastically well and we are so proud of their kindness and interaction with the students there.

With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern

Headteacher



Important Information

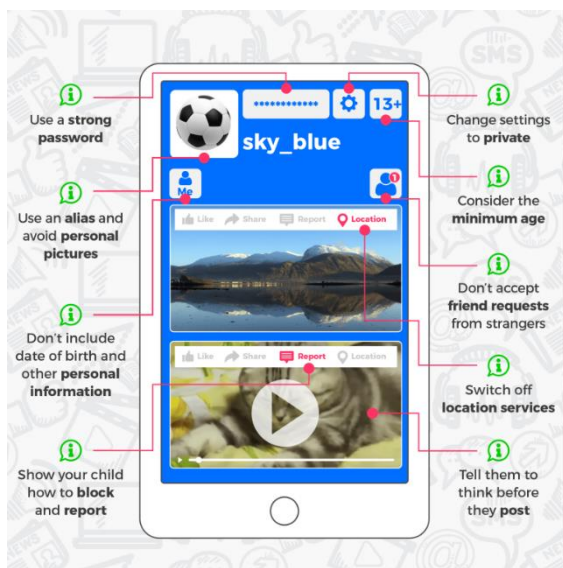


- Please ensure any spare clothes borrowed are returned to school once used.
- Please remember we are a **NUT FREE** school due to severe allergies. This includes sun creams and other products.
- Don't forget to connect to your child's Evidence for Learning account. If you need a reminder of your username or to reset your password please do let us know. The domain you need to use when logging in is **highfieldlittle**
- Please can I remind parents that **absence on the day needs to be reported via Arbor**
- If anyone has spare clothes to donate to our school stock we would be most grateful.
- We are on **week 1** of the school menu next week (WC 17/03/25).

School Attendance

Whole school attendance was 91.7% this week – it is slightly lower than last week. Let's try to improve the figure next week. Please remember any school term time holidays will not be authorised. **Unauthorised holidays during term time will face a penalty notice.**

Online Safety Tip of the Week



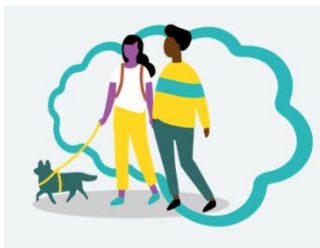
Emotion of the Week



The emotion this week is REMORSE. Discuss this emotion with your child and how it makes their body feel. Explain that different emotions are ok and we are here to help manage them.

Mental Health Tip of the Week

Connect with others



Spending quality time with friends or family, talking to someone about how we are feeling or finding ways to help other people can all help stop you from feeling lonely and improve your mental health and wellbeing. This can be online, by phone or seeing someone in person.

Take a look at the video where you can learn more about social connection and get some tips:

<https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/mental-wellbeing-tips/top-tips-to-improve-your-mental-wellbeing/#connect>