



HLA News

Friday 15th October 2021



Dear Families,

It is Friday again! Here is a summary of the great things that have happened at Highfield Littleport this week.

This week learners in Key Stage 4 attended a careers event at Ely Cathedral. They gained lots of valuable information about the options for learning and life after Highfield. The students conducted themselves impeccably and were extremely responsible.

This week students received their flu vaccination. We were very impressed by how students managed this. If you were unable to arrange it for this time there will be another session at school around December time.

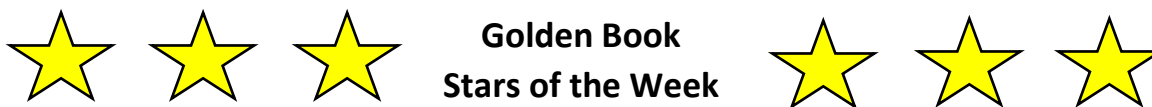
Learners on the Yellow pathway have been working well to construct their own comic strips. I was very impressed at them being able to articulate to me the different features of a comic strip. There were lots of sharing of learning using technical vocabulary. One student was even able to explain what an onomatopoeia was and give examples.

Some of our Blue pathway learners have been engaging well with their Riding for the Disabled sessions. They are now becoming much more familiar with the routines and developing their communication and core skills very well.

We are excited to share that we are in the process of securing a date for our first Year 8 residential. This will take place in April next year. More information will be coming out shortly with consent forms and deposit requests. We wanted to give you plenty of notice and payment plans will be available if required.

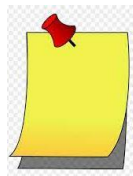
With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern, Head of School



- Eagles Student** has done some really good concentrating this week. Has shown how well they can do when they are really thinking and doing their best.
- Eagles Student** always comes into class with a big smile and is enthusiastic about starting the day. Making great progress with their maths and is also working hard at speaking in longer sentences.
- Robins Student** for fantastic interaction in class singing and signing in circle time and maths sessions.
- Robins Student** for working very hard on their fine and gross motor skills, some amazing mark making and moving around the classroom using their walking frame.
- Sparrows Student** excellent participation in Yoga session with Rex.
- Sparrows Student** super blending in Phonics session to read set 1.2 green words.
- Swallows Student** for taking part in a lesson about bullying. Giving ideas and listening to their peers.

Swallows Student	for independently completing an acrostic poem.
S1 Student	for coping really well with a difficult situation.
Two S3 Students	for working together using their inference skills to answer a question about why the author named the chapters what he did.
S3 Student	for outstanding recall on Boudicca's revolt.
S4 Student	who independently decided and chose their own resources for a silhouette painting, completed their painting without prompt to a high standard.
S4 Student	for dealing with a difficult situation at lunch time, overcoming the problem by communicating with an adult approach.
S5 Student	for excellent recall of the names of 2D shapes
S5 Student	for being kind and patient with another student when helping them in cookery
Wrens Student	for engaging in lots of positive intensive interaction and using good eye contact.



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.
- Don't forget that Friday 22nd October is an INSET day so students are not at school on this day.
- Secondary aged students please don't forget to test twice weekly and report results to covid@highfieldlittleport.org as well as the government website. We have been informed by the government that this will be continuing past the end of September.

Online Safety Tip of the Week:



This week our information is not so much related to online safety but a concerning programme that some of our students are watching streamed on Netflix. Squid Game, the South Korean show that sees hundreds of debt-ridden people compete for a cash prize in a series of survival tasks masked as playground games has been accessed by some of our students. Many of the episodes contain highly violent scenes that see contestants killed or severely injured. This is very concerning and some students have been seen re-enacting some things they have watched. I need to remind you that this show has an age 15 certificate and it is not recommended viewing for our students. Please be vigilant to what students are watching at home.

