



HLA News

Friday 16th September 2022



Dear Families,

This week we have been working with our students to pay their respects to Her Majesty the Queen who died last week. Our students have crafted flowers and written poems which we plan to take to Sandringham to pay our respects as a school. We will be closed on Monday 19th September for the Queen's funeral and will re-open to students on Tuesday 20th September.

We welcome two new teachers to the school this academic year. Both Lucy (Sparrows) and Kelly (Eagles) have settled well into their new roles and are already an asset to our team. We have also welcomed some new teaching assistants to the team so if you see a new face please do welcome them.

Students in S3 have been doing some great work this week on their musical rhythm. They have been drumming along to some great tunes and all have been engaged and able to keep the beat beautifully. Students in S1 have been practising their scientific skills this week. They have been exploring different materials to stop an egg from breaking when dropped from height. I am pleased to say no eggs were broken! Students in Wrens and Robins have settled in well to new routines. It is clear there is a love of music in these classes and the school.

Letters have gone out this week to invite parents and carers to the first parents evening of the year on Wednesday 28th September between 3.30 and 6.30. Please ensure you book your preferred slot and we will do our best to accommodate. We have given the option of a remote meeting or in person to make it easier for families to access. Please note though if your child has an annual review this half term you **do not** need to make an appointment as the same information will be shared at their annual review.

Please remember you can access your child's learning in to see the progress they are making. The Evidence for Learning app is available to download from the App Store. Once downloaded you can set up a username and password to log on. Please use the domain **highfieldlittle**. If you need your username or password sent again please do not hesitate to contact the office. We love to see the learning that is going on at home too so the app has the functionality to upload pictures and comments. I have sent out step by step instructions with this newsletter for ease.

Next week we have our Moving On event held at school for students in Years 9, 10 and 11. Please ensure you have sent back your invitation letters. This will give you a wide range of choices of destinations post Highfield and it is important to start considering this sooner rather than later. There will be lots of familiar staff around to support and guide you too.

With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern

Head of School



Important Information



- Our Moving On event is taking place on Thursday 22nd September between 4.30 and 6.30 for students in Years 9, 10 and 11.
- Parents evening is on Wednesday 28th September between 3.30 and 6.30. Letters will be coming out on Monday to book a slot. If your child has an annual review this term please DO NOT book a slot.
- Don't forget to contribute £7.50 per term if you are able towards our extra-curricular activities. This can be done via Parent Pay as we are a cashless school.
- We are a nut free school so please do not send in any products containing nuts.
- Please remember we will be closed on Monday 19th September for the Bank Holiday and Queen's funeral.

Mental Health Tip of the Week:



Online Safety Tip of the Week:

Be nice online and treat people the way you'd want to be treated. People who are nasty and aggressive online are at greater risk of being bullied or harassed themselves.

If someone's mean to you, try not to react, definitely don't retaliate. Use privacy tools to block anyone who is being mean and make sure you alert an adult.

