



HLA News

Friday 20th January 2023



Dear Families,

I don't know about you all but January seems to be lasting forever! There has been lots of productive learning at school though.

Can I please take this opportunity to remind parents and carers of our communication protocol here at Highfield Littleport? In order to ensure any queries are addressed in a consistent fashion I ask that the protocol is adhered to when making contact with the school. I have attached a copy to this newsletter as a reminder and for information as to who to contact and when. Many thanks for your cooperation with this.

This week we had our quality assurance visit for our ASDAN accreditation. The meeting went well and we should hear the results shortly. Thank you to all of the staff involved and their hard work with this. It is great to be able to have such great options with qualifications to offer our students.

This week there has been some great learning happening in classes. Students in H1 have been doing some great learning out in the community. They have been developing their social skills well and also applying the money skills they have been learning at the shop. It is great to see they are such active members of our local community.

We now have our small gym up and running at school. We were able to purchase some equipment for our students to use such as running machines and exercise bikes. Students will need to have consent forms completed to use this equipment and is restricted to classes upstairs due to health and safety implications. Some students have already got in there and used the gym and I have heard some great reports about how much they enjoyed it!

All of the hard work we have invested in our reading and phonics development were shown to be paying off this week. We have introduced Read Write Inc. as a scheme and it has shown some great results. I had a lovely comment from a student passed to me this week saying 'My teacher has made me really love reading now'. Such a lovely, unprompted comment.

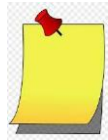
On Monday 23rd February (next week) we are hosting a school nursing clinic at school. If you have questions about continence, diet or general health this is the place to come. Please contact the school nursing service on: CCS-TR.SNSN@nhs.net or call 01223 218061. Please leave your child's name, date of birth and a brief description of the reason for the appointment.

We hope you all have a great weekend.

With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern

Head of School

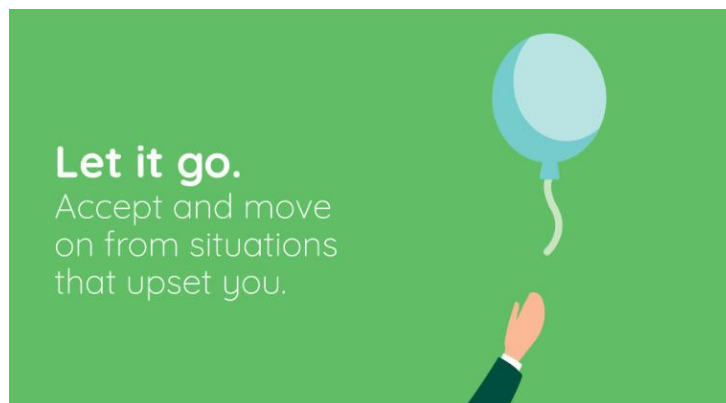


Important Information



- Please ensure parents and carers report any online safety or child protection concerns that occur outside of school to the relevant authorities. It helps if we are informed of incidents so that we can support students at school but if you feel a child is in danger parents must report this to the police or social care.
- We are still looking for more willing volunteers to join our parents and carer group SOHLA. Please email office@highfieldlittleport.org and your message will be sent on to our co-chairs to get involved.
- Don't forget to book on to the school nursing clinic on Monday 23rd January. Contact details are in the letter above.
- We are a nut free school so please do not send in any products containing nuts.

Mental Health Tip of the Week:



Emotion of the Week

This week's emotion of the week is SAD



Online Safety Tip of the Week

The INEQE Safeguarding Group have received reports of a viral post circulating on social media about an alleged self-harm 'game' being shared on popular gaming platform **Roblox**. Known as '**The Game**', the post claims that the game appears through private chats in an attached Word document that contains the rules and instructions.

'The Game' is a list of self-harming actions for children and young people to complete, and is alleged to be shared via Word document on Roblox and Snapchat.
Please be mindful of this content and be aware of this when checking devices. Please encourage your child to report anything that concerns them.