



# HLA News

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021



Dear Families,

Here we are at the end of a busy week at Highfield, the summer holidays seem to be a distant memory! This week we have had an email outage so apologies if you haven't been able to get hold of us via that method. Things seem to be returning to normality now.

Today sees our S4 students attend the Joan Mann Special Sports Day at RAF Mildenhall. I am looking forward to hearing all about it and we will of course post photos on Class Dojo.

Some of our students are beginning an Independent Travel Training programme in Key Stage 4. This is a great step towards independence for our learners. Unfortunately due to the location of where some of our learners live they are not able to begin individualised programmes, however we have a skills based learning approach to travel training at school which all Key Stage 4 students will be taking part in.

Students downstairs are engaging brilliantly within their themed approach to learning. Only this morning I saw goldilocks walking down the corridor! Owls class have been engaging well in sensory stories and share one of my favourites – Room on the Broom.

As part of the government roll out of Covid-19 vaccinations for 12-15 year olds, many of our students had their Covid vaccine at school this week. If you missed the vaccine based at school, please be aware that the nursing team have confirmed they will be visiting again soon – please keep an eye on Dojo for further information. We are immensely proud of how brave they all were. Students really looked after and reassured each other that was lovely to see.

With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern, Head of School



## Golden Book Stars of the Week



**Robins Student** – being fully involved in circle time and showing amazing imagination in play.

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**Sparrows Class** – excellent participation in practical activities in Maths.

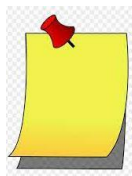
**S2 Student** – independent work in Maths plotting coordinates on a grid to create a picture.

**S2 Student** – independent writing in history. Wrote a fantastic, motivating speech in character as Boudica.

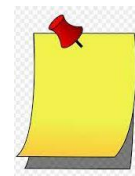
**S5 Student** - for excellent recall and participation in lessons.

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## Important Information



- Although Covid-19 protective measures have been relaxed please remember the need for regular hand washing and social distancing at school. We want to keep everyone safe and well.
- Parents evening will be taking place on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September. Class teachers are arranging appointments. Please remember if you are having an appointment onsite please ensure you adhere to social distancing measures to keep everyone safe.
- 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.
- Secondary aged students please don't forget to test twice weekly and report results to [covid@highfieldlittleport.org](mailto:covid@highfieldlittleport.org) as well as the government website.

### Online Safety Tip of the Week:

#### Parental controls and how to use them

Downloading a new app or game is so quick and straightforward that, whenever a young person uses a smartphone (either their own or a parent's) there is always the possibility that they could expose themselves to inappropriate content (such as games with violent scenes or apps with adult themes) simply by sheer accident or, more likely, through youthful curiosity.

Fortunately, the parental controls you'll find on most smartphones are an excellent way of minimising this possibility. They don't completely remove the element of risk – but they *do* limit it considerably. The #WakeUpWednesday guides to steer you through the process of setting up this useful protection on iPhone and Android smartphones. Please see this link:

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