



HLA News

Friday 28th February 2025



Dear Families,

It has been a busy week and the students have settled well back into their learning. Lots of updates in this week's newsletter to share.



The builders are making some great progress with the turning circle initial works for the extension. There are some photos of the progress that they have made below. They are aiming for the turning circle to be completed by 10th March. This will be a temporary surface but will be fully functional. We will update you with the arrangements for pick up and drop off as soon as possible. You will also be able to see that some of the cladding has been removed from the side of the building. This is in preparation for where the extension will join the main building.



I need to share some news with you regarding our teaching team. Cheryl is no longer with us as she has chosen to retire for personal reasons. I hope you will join me in wishing her well in her retirement and thanking her for all of her work at Highfield Littleport. Between now and the end of the academic year the students in H1 will be in the capable hands of Julie.



Parents and carers would have seen on Class Dojo that we currently have a survey that is live. We want to actively gain your views so that we can continue to make our school even better. The link is posted on Class Dojo or you can scan this QR code just to the left. Your views are very important to us and we use these in our school development plan to further improve.

Could I ask a quick plea this week? If parents and carers have any boys trousers or joggers in ages 4-11 that are outgrown could they please be donated to the school? Please send them into the school office. We have a stock of spare clothes but as some have not been returned we do not have any left at school. We want to be able to keep our students comfortable in the event of them having an accident or getting dirty. Thank you in advance.

Students have been consolidating their learning about the Tudors this week with a visit to Anglesey Abbey. There was great behaviour and learning which we are very proud of. This was commented upon by staff and visitors.

With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern

Headteacher



Important Information

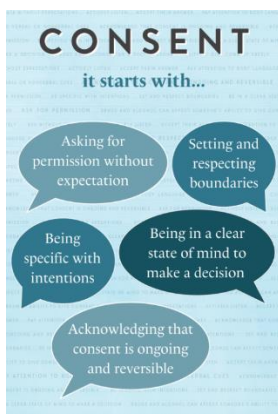


- Please ensure any spare clothes borrowed are returned to school once used.
- Please remember we are a **NUT FREE** school due to severe allergies. This includes sun creams and other products.
- Don't forget to connect to your child's Evidence for Learning account. If you need a reminder of your username 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 2** of the school menu next week (WC 03/03/25).

School Attendance

Whole school attendance was 92.4% this week – it is continuing to rise, well done. Thank you for working with us to improve attendance. 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



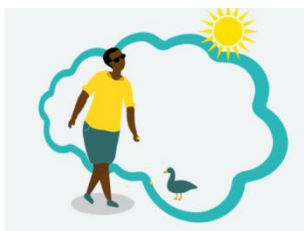
Before you post anything online of someone else it is recommended to gain consent. Think about if something was posted about you that you didn't like or want? How would that make you feel?

Emotion of the Week



The emotion this week is **CONFUSED**. 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



Be in the present

If we take time to be aware of ourselves and be in the present moment, noticing our own thoughts and feelings, and the world around us, we can gain a better perspective. Sometimes this is known as being more mindful.

Take a look at this link which introduces mindful breathing which can support you.

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