

Highfield Littleport Academy

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Weekly Newsletter W/C 8th September 2025

Dear Families,

Hello all, here we are having completed the first full week of the term. All of the students are settling into their new classes and are getting to know each other.



The builders are making some excellent progress. We completed the 'topping out' ceremony last week where we marked the roof of the building being completed. We popped a bottle of bubbly and poured some of it on the roof (a bit of a waste in my opinion!). Normally this is completed half way through the completion of the build but we are way above that stage now. The leadership team got to have a tour of the build last week and were all choosing where they would like classrooms and offices. Now we start the task of making shopping lists to order all of the resources to fill the rooms. A mammoth task!

We have just been notified by the school vaccination team that they will be managing the administration of consents for vaccinations. They will be emailing with a link to complete consent. Prior to this we thought it would be beneficial for us to warn you of these dates so that the email is explained rather than coming out of the blue. The Flu Vaccine (whole school) is on Friday 26th September – consent emails may have already been sent by the team for this. Men/DTP (year 9 students) and HPV vaccines (year 8 students) are on Friday 3rd October.

As we are at the start of the year a reminder about payments to Class Funds. The £10 payment per term is to be processed via Arbor under the 'Class Funds' area. This contribution goes towards the purchase of sensory resources, ingredients for food technology and other resources to enhance teaching and learning.

We have the photographer in school next Thursday 18th September. They will be taking individual and sibling photographs. A link has been sent out with a form to opt out if you do not wish your child to be photographed.

There has been some great development of independence within learners in Key Stage 4 this week. H1 did some fantastic work in the life skills flat spotting things to tidy and then going in there and fixing things up. H2 were in the kitchen this week and made some yummy chocolate chip shortbread. Staff stepped back and encouraged them to work on their own and they rose to the challenge brilliantly.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern

Headteacher







Important Information



- Please ensure any spare clothes borrowed are returned to school once used washed and ready to use again.
- Advance notice parents evening is on Wednesday 1st October 3.30 6.30. A form to request a
 timeslot will be sent home shortly. Appointments will be offered both face to face and via Teams
 for convenience.
- 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
- Please ensure that the **termly contribution of £10 per child is paid via Arbor under 'Class Funds'.** This is to ensure that we can purchase food & resources for our learners to access to enhance their learning.

School Attendance

Whole school attendance was 95.5 % this week. Let's continue to keep this figure high. 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

MONITOR YOUR WEB CAM

Ensure your web cam is off when not in use. Go old school if you wish and put some tape over the camera when not in use!

Emotion of the Week

The emotion this week is HAPPY. 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



2. 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 the NHS website for help with mindfulness:

https://www.nhs.uk/everymind-matters/mentalwellbeing-tips/top-tips-toimprove-your-mentalwellbeing/