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Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Families,

Hello all, we have had a great week here at Highfield with lots of our learning values being demonstrated. This is lovely to see when I am visiting classes.



The builders are making some brilliant progress. All of the scaffolding has now been taken down from the building. Internally the ceilings have been put in as well as the internal doors. It really does look fantastic. We have organised for the site survey for the new sensory room and can't wait for that bit to get started. We are still busy creating shopping lists for the resources and furniture for our increase in numbers. I am amazed by the price of things though - £25 for a classroom chair! We are trying to be smart shoppers.

Unfortunately, I need to share some disappointing news within this week's newsletter. School attendance this week has taken a sudden dip and is at a low of 90.2%. This is significantly lower than the same time last year. We want to do all we can to facilitate good attendance and support families. Good school attendance is important for health and wellbeing as well as the educational benefits. Please work with us to improve attendance rates so that we can reach the high 90's again!

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.

At Highfield Littleport to prepare our learners for adulthood we work hard to nurture and grow our learning values within everything we do. We want to develop independence, teamwork, creativity, resilience, thinking and kindness in our learners. I am proud to say all of these were seen in abundance this week. Learners in H1 have been really considering others this week when the flu immunisations were going on in the hall. They wanted to get some equipment but recognised that it would be kind not to interrupt them so they changed their plans to help others. When back in the classroom they also showed great independence and teamwork skills by cooperating with different peers while playing board games. Learners in Owls and Wrens have been showing some great thinking and creativity skills during their golden threads learning.

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 has been sent home so please complete this and appointments will be confirmed via Class Dojo by Class Teachers. 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 90.2% this week. This is a decline on last week due to some unauthorised holidays. Let's work together to increase this figure next week. **Unauthorised holidays during term time will face a penalty notice.**

Online Safety Tip of the Week

Know where to find help

Understand how to report to service providers and use blocking and deleting tools. If something happens that upsets you online, it's never too late to tell someone.

Emotion of the Week

The emotion this week is CALM. 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



4. Connect with others

Spending quality time with friends or family, talking to someone about how we are feeling or finding ways to help other people can all help stop you from feeling lonely and improve your mental health and wellbeing. This can be online, by phone or seeing someone in person.

Connect with us at Highfield Littleport. We are looking for willing volunteers to support our parent and friends group SOHLA. We will be meeting at the leisure centre on Thursday 2nd October at 3.45pm. Come and help us organise some great fundraising events.