



Welcome to our February 2017 Edition

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The Highfielder

Bridges and Sculptures



This workshop was a great success. Year 5 did a bridge workshop in the morning and Year 6 did a sculpture workshop in the afternoon. This year we had loads more space because we had the new hall. Both of the workshops used sticks and rubber bands to create beautiful pieces of art and design. The designs were very sturdy and we found out that triangles are the best shape to use in construction.

Scarlett said "The most fun part was making my own sculpture. I found the part where we learned about The Skylon the most interesting. There were four people in my group and it was fun."

Sia said "The most fun part was trying to get the bridge to stand up. I enjoyed learning how triangles work the best. Squares are not good for construction. Amazing, interesting and epic."

It just proves how much people enjoy art and design and how great Highfield is for getting Bridge Man Bob to visit us every year. This kind of activity encourages us to become professional architects in the future.



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Football Cup Qualifier

The football team have been playing really well this year. We lost 4:2 to Immaculate Heart, we drew 1:1 with Carr Manor and we are playing Shadwell tomorrow after school.

Year won the first round of the Leeds Cup. We won our first match 9:6 and Mrs. Colley said it was one of the best football games she had ever watched. The second round game will be played next half term.

There was a great amount of support from staff and parents.



New School Hall Review

The new school hall is finally finished and it looks amazing. It opened on January 3rd, which was the first day back after the Christmas holidays. It now gives us a lot more space for lunchtimes and assemblies and we can fit all the classes into the hall. We were struggling with space for parents to watch their children's amazing plays and work. Now everyone fits in. It is accessible for everyone. It is even used after school by clubs such as Drama. The sliding doors are very clever indeed and they are a little bit sound proof. We are having the old hall floor re sanded and varnished in the half term holidays.



Potato Challenge

Mrs Woodward and the gardening club have had an idea that it would be fun to have a go at growing potatoes. It is going to be a big school challenge to grow the biggest potato and to grow the biggest yield (how many potatoes you can grow as a class). Alex and Aarush our head gardeners said they thought it would be a fun experience for the classes to grow their own potatoes, work as a team, water them plant them and make sure they are healthy. They also



Assessment Questionnaires

Assessment Questionnaire feedback

360 children took part in the questionnaires.

Highfielders like learning and lots of children said they found learning fun.

The vast majority of children said they find tests useful because they help them to learn.

"They test us on stuff we should know"

"They help you remember things you did in the past"

"It tells your teacher how well you've done I n the subject"

"I think we have fair and balanced testing because we are never given anything we haven't learned before, and we have enough time to study for out test."

Some children think we have too many tests and some children think we have too few. Most children said the number of tests was about right.

Every child understood that making mistakes is useful because they help us to learn. Some children also commented that mistakes show us what we need to improve on.

Nearly everyone liked the feedback their teacher gave them because it helps them learn and they like to know where they are going wrong and where they are doing really well.

Children commented on things that really help them with spelling such as spelling groups, time to practice, look cover write check method, teacher underlining them in their writing when they are wrong and writing them out three times as a correction.

The children like praise and they also like getting scores for work and tests. They said this was because they know how well they did and can improve their score the next time.

Many children commented on how often their work gets marked, "my work gets marked every day and I'm used to it." The children appreciate fix it time. Some children said they would like more time to fix and improve their work. Some children commented on how fix it time helps them between and after they've done their work.

Thank-you to everyone who filled in a questionnaire and thank you to the school council for organizing it.



Bun Day Monday

Bun Day Monday this half term was a great success. We raised £190 for our school fund. We are going to use he money to pay for coach transport to sporting events and for our RE trips.

Thank you Year 4 for bringing some lovely cakes which we always enjoy.



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The Highfielders

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News is our business!

Jokes

Why did Darth Vader turn off the lights?

To join the dark side

Why did the cow walk across the rugby pitch?

Because he wanted to get milked



If a red house is made out of red bricks, a blue house is made out of blue bricks, what is a green house made out of?

Glass

A lady works in a sweet shop. She gets 8 customers a day and works 8 hours each day. She works 5 days a week. What does she weigh?

Sweets!

Whole School Events for next half term

The Great Highfield Pancake Toss February 27th

World Book Day March 2nd

Guides and Scouts Day 23rd March (you can wear your outfit to school if you want to)

Red Nose Day March 24th

Easter Egg Competition March 31st