

HIGHFIELD UPDATE FRIDAY JUNE 5TH 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

CRITICAL WORKER, VULNERABLE AND RECEPTION CHILDREN

It has been a very busy but very successful week in school. We have 184 children in school today and most of our Reception children joined us yesterday. The children have all behaved brilliantly and followed all the new rules and routines perfectly. I have been impressed by just how resilient they have been and how well they have adapted to the changes. This is something you should be proud of as parents and a quality that hopefully they will keep as they journey through life and its many “bubbles.” Thank you parents for sending the children to school each day with their water bottle, sun hat and lunch box. Please can I ask you not to bring bikes and scooters or back packs? Can I also ask you to check your child can zip up their own coats, tie their own laces and open their own lunch box food and drink?

YEAR ONE AND YEAR SIX UPDATE

On Monday 8th June we are welcoming more Year 1 children to join the key stage one bubbles. This will mean we are nearly full as a school with just a couple of spare places in Year 1 bubbles. Any year one parent who did not request a place but then changes their mind should e-mail the school office and we will see if we have any spaces still left. This will be done on a first come first served basis.

Sadly, and as expected, I still cannot accommodate the other Year 6 children whose parents are not critical workers.

CHILDREN LEARNING FROM HOME

Good afternoon, Seesaw learners!

There's been some amazing learning going on Seesaw this week. Reception have been learning how to 'close the gate' when creating tallies and about different fruits and vegetables. In Year 1, they've been reading the book 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' and working incredibly hard with 2d and 3d shape! Year 2 have started their work on castles. This week, they looked at The Princess and the Pea and they've got lots more castle related things coming. KS2 have been equally as busy. Year 3 have been learning some tricky suffixes and working with the novel 'James and the Giant Peach'. As always, the level of Year 3 handwriting remains sky-high! Year 4 have been working on fractions and with the short film 'Soar'. Their work has been so creative this week! Year 5 have had a terrifying week! An awful monster, the Brasselson Gathrax has been stalking round Mr. Gath's garden! The Year 5 children have had to write persuasively and create a monster which could defeat it. The Gathrax is not as confident as it was now it's heard their writing! Year 6 have been trying to persuade their teachers that they know who the greatest Yorkshire person is/was. There have been a few disagreements between the teachers, particularly over the football related people!

Special Mentions:

Elena Atkinson in Reception for brilliant reading! She read lots of words with the 'ai' sound and recorded it onto Seesaw – it was so lovely to hear her voice!

Anay Jain in Year 1 for great English work. He drew a fabulous picture and wrote excellent sentences, using amazing handwriting and fantastic spelling.

Dhyan Amith in Year 2 for always pushing himself. Dhyan reads the feedback he receives so carefully and always lets us know what else he's learned.

Alex Gray in Year 3 for staying positive! Alex sends videos at the end of each week to let us know what she's been up to. She sometimes even has wacky hair-dos to share!

Lily-Rose Rathor in Year 4 for her enthusiasm. Lily-Rose posts almost every day and it's clear that she's worked incredibly hard.

Aarya Kulkarni in Year 5 for an excellent piece of writing. Aarya's Sneaky Aazap Cat was excellently described and written about persuasively.

Euan Ashurst in Year 6 for his persuasive writing. He wrote about Captain Cook. Captain Cook was even respected by his enemies which, as Mr Gath said, is a sure sign of greatness!

Highfield Home Learners – you're doing fantastically! Well done for continuing to stay motivated and working so hard. (This next bit you have to say like you're on Strictly Come Dancing) Keeeeeep Posting!

I feel very proud of what we are all doing together as Highfield community.

Julie Colley