



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 29th January

Headteacher's update

On Wednesday the Prime Minister announced that it will **not** be possible to resume face-to-face learning immediately after the February half-term and instead hopes it will be safe to commence the full reopening of schools from Monday 8 March. We will be given at least two weeks' notice to prepare for a return to face-to-face education so we will know on 22nd February whether this is going to happen. In the meantime, we will continue with our combination of live lessons on TEAMS and work posted on Class Dojo. Live lessons have been very effective in Y4,5 and 6 so next week we will be trialling some with our younger classes. Pine and Maple will receive one live lesson during the morning while those in Elm, Hazel and Beech will get a live phonics session. This may not work due to the age of the children but we will assess its effectiveness next week. Please make sure you look out for information on your child's Class Dojo story and as always if there are any issues, please let us know.

Parent/Teacher conference

The relationship between teacher and parents has never been so important as it is at the moment. I also believe that the current lines of communication are excellent. As part of this, teachers will be offering phone conferences to discuss your child's progress since September during week commencing 8th February. Most will take place on Wednesday afternoon between 1 and 5. We will be putting an appointment form on the school app for you to select a 30-minute window when you are available for teachers to phone you. Anyone who isn't signed up on the app please contact the school office if you need any help.

Stars of the Week

The following children have been awarded star of the week for showing the value of optimism: **Mathias Barata, Oliver Prior, Mya Saida Hamzaoui, Ellie-Mai Murphy, Leo Joyce, Joshua Hart, Sophia Hall, Blake Higham, Lily Irish, Nikita Overell**

Learners of the Week

Well done to the following for working hard in school or at home this week: **Freddie Austin, Hana Ismail, Isabella Carter, Alayah White, Wasiq Ghufuran, Dialawar Khan, Naim Rahman, Billy Bennett, Ali Akman & Ali Patel**

Free School Meals

All pupils who are at home have been provided with a £30 voucher to cover the next 2 weeks. These were emailed on Wednesday. If you did not receive it, please let us know.

Food bank

Remember that Highfield Food bank is available to anyone who may be struggling. If you need anything please email covidteam@highfield-pri.lancs.sch.uk by Tuesday for food to be collected on Thursdays.

Home learning survey

We want to hear your views on our home learning package. We have created a short survey on the school app for you to complete. Please can you do this by next Friday.

Staff testing

On Wednesday, staff took part in our first rapid tests. I am pleased to say that all results were negative. These will continue twice a week and will help continue to keep school as safe as possible.

Happy Birthday

We wished a happy birthday today to **Ada Hitchen, Lucas Riley, Callum Jolly, Logan Draper, Abdulbasit Umair, India Mellett, Sam Milmine, Larissa Varga, Ada Adamczyk & Imogen Ellison**

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