



Highfield Newsletter



Headteacher's Message

As we approach the final week of an 8 week term, it is a really good opportunity to reflect on how much everyone has achieved. These last two weeks have been remarkably busy, with highlights including 12 schools visiting Highfield for a Winter Voices choir performance, Year 2 Harvest assembly, sports fixtures and coffee mornings. Next week looks even busier.

But despite the packed diary, Mrs Bowker and I took time away from Highfield to visit another school; an inner-city school which, on the surface, serves a community considerably different from our own. I believe it is really important to ensure a professional 'bubble' doesn't form by only thinking about the immediate challenges we face – it can limit perspective. Whilst we walked around, our discussions were not about what Highfield does better, but what we can learn. And we learned so much; seeing the same challenges through a different lens helped us consider how elements of effective provision could be adapted to strengthen outcomes for Highfield children. But there was a clear consistency in approach between our two schools – relationships matter most; if you get those right anything is possible.

I look forward to seeing many of you next week at parents' evenings. Please know that in addition to your class teacher meeting, Mrs Dalglish, Mrs Bowker and I will also be available.

Enjoy your weekend and thank you for your support.

Mr Feeley

Safeguarding. For child protection concerns you can contact any of our Designated Child Protection Officers: Mr Feeley, Mrs Dalglish, Mr Brassil, Mrs Bowker and Mrs Calvert. There is some useful information on the LSCB website about online safety with some useful tips for parents: <http://www.leedslscb.org.uk/Parents-Carers-Wider-Family/Keeping-children-safe-online>. If you are worried that a child is at risk of harm please contact Leeds Children's Social Work Services on 0113 222 4403.

News & Updates

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations and a huge well done to the children in Key Stage 2 who were recognised for their fantastic effort and attitude last week by making it into the **celebration book**. We also want to celebrate the children in Key Stage 1 who made it into the **celebration book** this week! We are all proud of you for setting such a high standard! The children who we are celebrating are:

1B – Seerat, Mika’eel, Daisy

1W – Myra, Rosie, Harriet

2F – Henry, Jasmine, Manal

2H – Armaan, Erik, Gurbani

3EF - Eden, Jackson, Molly, Pragnitha

3L - Eddie, Melissa, Oliver, Sophia

4D - Amara, Aria, Kailash, Seb

4H - Dolsie, Harrison, Lucy, Shivansh

5M - Aadhya, Dawud, Harrison, Saanvi

5T - Anya, Elspeth, Oscar, Thomas

6B - Charlotte, Eesa, Jason, Jasper, Max

6G - Lara, Pranav, Seb, Siona



Derby win!



Highfield got their season underway with a mighty 1-4 win against Wigton Moor. It was a proud moment for these Year Six pupils as they have waited a long time to pull on the Highfield jersey. Great performances were evident throughout the team. Congratulations to Hamza Dogan for a fine hat-trick!

Alice in Bookshop Land

Alice in Year 4 took her reading ambassador duties to new levels last weekend, taking part in the 6 hour readathon at The Little Bookshop in Chapel Allerton, in honour of Bookshop Day. Everyone had a 20 minute slot, and Alice read *The Worry Website* by Jacqueline Wilson. Alice even wore her Highfield reading ambassador badge!



Digging deep to comeback



It was a busy day at Highfield yesterday - individual photos, guitar classes, drama and more - so busy that Mr Brassil forgot to take his class camera to the league match between Highfield and St. Theresa's. He really wishes he had because this was quite a game. Highfield were two-nil down within two minutes. Their response to this? Dig deep, play fantastic football, defend well, work as a team and keep going to the final minute. By the second half we had one goal back- 2-1! In the last ten minutes, we kept working and working and then up stepped Alex Sudol. A fine ball from Ernie Martin came to Alex on the right wing and he blasted it into the net. What a goal and what a finish - 2-2. There's a lesson here for us all - don't ever give up (Oh and don't forget your camera next time Mr B!) Thank you to the parents who helped with transport to this game.

Dates for your Diary!

- **Mon 19th Oct:** Prospective parents afternoon
- **Tues 20th Oct:** Year 5 Equalities workshop, Parents evening
- **Weds 21st Oct:** Year 4 Whitby assembly, Pumpkin parties, Red Cross visiting Year 6
- **Thurs 22nd Oct:** Parents evening
- **Fri 23rd Oct:** KS2 Celebration Assembly, Year 2 Florence Nightingale workshop

A message from Leeds Council to schools

Leeds City Council is running a public consultation on the 2028/29 admission policy for Leeds community and voluntary controlled schools. You can share your views until 2 December. Find out more at

www.leeds.gov.uk/SchoolAdmissionsConsultations

Please provide your views by 2 December.



SPOOKILY SPECTACULAR ART CAMP

26-30 OCTOBER 2026
BRACKEN EDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL, LEEDS

OUR FINAL HOLIDAY CAMP OF 2026!
DUE TO THE CHRISTMAS TERM DATES, THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO JOIN US THIS YEAR!

AGES 5-12

MONDAY 26 OCT
FOREST SCHOOL
Den building, fire making, outdoor adventures and autumn-inspired art with Amanda Panda.

Banu's Art: SPOOKY SPOON PUPPETS
Transform wooden spoons into colourful Halloween characters.

TUESDAY 27 OCT
MUSIC, RAP & SINGING
Create spooky sounds, explore rhythm, write rap and enjoy a brilliant day of musical creativity with Brandon.

Banu's Art: HANGING GHOSTS, BATS & PUMPKINS
Create spooky decorations to take home, including ghosts, bats and pumpkins.

WEDNESDAY 28 OCT
GHOSTLY FILMMAKING
Create and star in your very own Halloween ghost film using green-screen technology with our fabulous filmmaker, Mick.

Banu's Art: STRANGE HALLOWEEN PORTRAITS
Create imaginative spooky portraits and unusual characters.

THURSDAY 29 OCT
HALLOWEEN FASHION DESIGN
Design, create and transform materials into imaginative Halloween fashion with Jay.

Banu's Art: CLAY WITCH-HAT TRINKETS
Make your own mini witch hats and other spooky clay creations.

FRIDAY 30 OCT
THE BIG ART DAY!
A fantastic finale of art, ice creams, creative celebrations and our end-of-week party!
Led by Banu.

Banu's Art: MINIATURE HAUNTED HOUSES
Design and build your own tiny haunted house with characters and stories.

Our goats and hens, popcorn, games, Thriller dance and plenty of surprises!

CREATIVITY
Freedom to explore, experiment and try something new

CONFIDENCE
Develop new skills with professional artists and educators

FRIENDSHIPS
Make new friends in a welcoming and supportive environment

FUN
Extraordinary experiences and unforgettable memories

26-30 OCTOBER 2026
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LEEDS LS7 4HE

AGES 5-12
8:30AM-3:45PM
LATE COLLECTION 4:00-5:00PM (£5)

£39 PER DAY
£175 FOR FULL WEEK
ALL MATERIALS INCLUDED

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HIGHFIELD PRIMARY

OCTOBER HALF TERM

ACTIVE CAMP







MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
Design-a-Pumpkin		Inflatables Tuesday		Wet Wednesday		Mystery Thursday		Dress to Impress	
Get creative and design your very own spooky pumpkin!		Bounce, play and conquer the most inflatable course!		Water games, water slides and splash-tastic fun!		Something spooky and exciting awaits!		Dress to impress and dance into the weekend!	



8:30AM - 4PM

Wrap around care for working parents - drop off from 8:30am | pick up until 4pm

AGES

5-11

YEARS



Staff trained in safeguarding and first aid



Safe, inclusive environment for every child



Make friends & build confidence through play



Delivered by qualified, experienced coaches

<https://activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity/ace-sport-uk-halloween-active-camp-at-highfield-primary-school-leeds-cea0cdae-6a76-443f-8672-5c5f0579454f>

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