



Highfield Newsletter



Headteacher's Message

I would like to thank all the volunteers who have supported our Secret Reader initiative in Reception and Key Stage 1. Seeing the photos on our newsfeed always makes me smile as it is easy to imagine just how thrilled the children are by such a delightfully unusual situation.

For a five or six-year-old, having a parent step into the classroom as the reader is genuinely mind-blowing. The normal boundary of the classroom door, where parents usually say goodbye, has been crossed and suddenly a familiar, much-loved adult is taking on the role of the teacher. This role-reversal is both confusing and exciting in equal measure.

I remember my gran playing the piano in my primary school and I can still see it in my mind to this today. That memory is now being created for our children at Highfield; the surprise, the novelty and the sense that "something special is happening" all combine to make the experience. Equally, I hope all those who have read to our children also enjoyed the experience and perhaps got an insight into one of the most privileged parts of our job - to see such innocent faces genuinely hanging on your every word!

Of course the initiative also reinforces the message that reading is important, valued and worth sharing. But most of all fun! Thanks also to Miss Elson whose fantastic idea this was.

Enjoy your weekend and thank you for your support.

Mr Feeley

News & Updates

Celebration Assembly

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

2H - Hayden, Hector, Leighton

2F - George, Molly, Ollie

1W - Armaan, Eric, Oleen

1B - George, Mila, Rowan

RH - Nancy, Noor, Radvin, Sophia

RGS - Ahmed, Aizal, Mela

Brassed Off Highfield Star!



A huge well done to Maari who will be appearing as Melody in Brassed Off at the Playhouse 18/06 to 11/07! A fantastic achievement and we're all incredibly proud of her.



A message from St Gemma's Hospice



A huge thank you for your fantastic support with our Easter Knits campaign. We're delighted to share that you raised £115.25, which is an incredible contribution to the £2,000 raised in total from Easter Knits alone! Your efforts will help us continue providing vital care and support to patients and their families at St Gemma's Hospice.

Please pass on our thanks to all the pupils, staff, and families involved—it's wonderful to see such enthusiasm and generosity, and we're so grateful for your support.

Great performance!



The sun was out, the pitch had been freshly cut and the Highfield Under-11 team played their local rivals, Immaculate Heart Primary School. Despite playing some great football and having a huge amount of chances, we ended up losing this one. It could be said, however, that the result does not matter as much as the team spirit, communication skills and determination that our team showed. Whilst the scoreline may not reflect it, the effort, attitude and commitment shown by the team are what really matter. And these were outstanding. We are proud of you all. Thank you to the parents and supporters who came along to watch and cheer us on.

From the staff and children to Mr Brassil – thank you for taking the time to organise these opportunities; it really is appreciated.

Dates for your Diary!

- **Tues 28th Apr:** Leeds Rhinos visiting Year 3
- **Weds 29th Apr:** Northern Arts Play in a Day with Year 4
- **Fri 1st May:** Year 6 football fixture (a)

Highfield Signposting

MindMate[©]
Support Team

Coffee Morning

NHS
Leeds Community
Healthcare

Highfield Primary School are holding a **coffee Morning** to give parents and carers the opportunity to meet with the **MindMate Support Team**.

The MindMate Support Team is a new service for education settings to support the emotional and mental health of their students. MindMate work with school's parents/carers and existing services to help young people with mild to moderate mental health needs using evidence-based interventions.

Please come along on the 19th May at 9am to find out more about the service and how they can support you / your child.



MAY HOLIDAY CAMPS



LEEDS UNITED FOUNDATION

CHARITY NUMBER: 1137703

5-12 YEARS OLD

MIXED SOCCER SCHOOLS

26TH MAY - 29TH MAY
9:00AM - 3:00PM

PRINCE HENRYS
GARFORTH ACADEMY/ BOXT
GSAL
MONK FRYSTON
MORLEY SUPER CAMP
SCOTTON SCORCHERS

Led by FA-qualified coaches, our sessions are packed with skill-building activities, small-sided games, and friendly competitions designed to boost confidence both on and off the pitch.

Every child is fully supervised by DBS-checked, first-aid-trained coaches, ensuring a safe, supportive, and positive environment throughout.

You can book per day or make the most of it with our full 4-day course. Perfect for kids who love football and want to learn the Leeds United way!

HOW TO BOOK:
EMAIL: soccer.schools@leedsunited.com
or scan the QR code.

SCAN HERE!



SECURE YOUR CHILDS PLACE NOW!

Safeguarding. For child protection concerns you can contact any of our Designated Child Protection Officers: Mr Feeley, Mrs Dalgliesh, 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.