



Highfield Newsletter



Headteacher's Message

Our Christmas Fair on Wednesday was absolutely buzzing with excitement and I just want to say a huge thank you to everyone who made it happen.

First and foremost, thank you to all the parents who came along to support the event; your backing is the reason it happens. A special mention goes to our stall holders, including Highfield legends Mrs. Gilley and Mrs. Bailey, proof that you never really leave Highfield! I was also delighted to see newer generations of parents and supporters bringing fresh ideas and gifts to the fair. Your creativity and generosity made a difference. But if you weren't aware, it's down to the hard work of Mrs Shelley and Mrs Bowker which allows the Christmas Fair to happen. Above and beyond doesn't do it justice. The day job is unforgiving at times but they give up their own evenings and weekends to make it happen, supported by our staff. I am grateful for such a wonderful staff team.

The whole occasion sparkled thanks to so many helpers and donors behind the scenes. Stockeld Park kindly donated our stunning Christmas tree outside the hall—thank you! And hats off to Dr. Barnes for organising it and to Mrs. Boyde, who spent a whole day decorating trees and the hall. Your hard work didn't go unnoticed. And have you seen the display board in the corridor? Huge thanks to Mrs. Porter and Mrs. Bavill for creating something that's inspiring everyone who walks past.

Throw in a Book Look, football match, Winter Voices concert, Governors Resources Committee, Thursday's Christmas Dinner (massive thanks to Baldish and her team and the legend that is Mrs Ullah) and today's Elf Fun Run plus the orchestra concert. What a week. I feel tired just typing it.

Enjoy your well-deserved weekend and thank you for your support.

Mr Feeley

Christmas Fair winners:

Fruity Friday raffle: Aaron (3FL)

Naming the reindeer (Misty): Lucas (RGS)

'Mystery Square' chocolate hamper: Anabel (2F)

News & Updates

Winter Voices

Our Highfield Primary choir had a wonderful time representing our school at *Artforms' Winter Voices 2025* concert at Pudsey Civic Hall. Joining pupils from primary schools across Leeds, our singers performed confidently, sharing festive music and celebrating the season together. The children shone with enthusiasm from start to finish. These children, plus all of our choir members, have given up half an hour of lunch time each day to rehearse and have been so keen! We are incredibly proud of their commitment, teamwork and brilliant singing. A huge well done to all our choir members for being such fantastic ambassadors for Highfield Primary! Look out for the full choir at the KS2 carol concert on Wednesday, 17th December!



Dates for your Diary!

- **Mon 8th Dec:** Y6 Football tournament
- **Tues 9th Dec:** Year 2 Christmas production, Reception Christmas production
- **Weds 10th Dec:** Year 5 Christmas Production
- **Thurs 11th Dec:** Christmas crafts (Rec), KS2 Christmas Party Day (excl. 3FL)
- **Fri 12th Dec:** Christmas crafts (Rec), KS1 Christmas Party Day (incl. 3FL)

Shaan's Starlight Walk

We are incredibly proud of Shaan in Year 1, who recently completed the Starlight Walk to raise funds for Baby Loss Awareness Month. This is such a thoughtful and meaningful achievement and it shows her compassion and determination at such a young age. Well done, Shaan—you are an inspiration to us all and the whole Highfield community is proud of you! If you would like to support Shaan, find her page here:

<https://fundraising.sands.org.uk/fundraisers/manishaparmar/starlight-walk-leeds>



Bulldog Spirit!

Ellis and Enola play for Wetherby Bulldogs Amateur Rugby League Club and having been making quite the impact this year! Ellis recorded an award for magic moments, scoring the most tries this season. Enola for being brave and trying very hard every training session, bringing lots of fun. Great job Ellis and Enola!



Hard-fought draw in the dark



With just enough daylight to finish the game (with the help of some car headlights!), Highfield Football Team came away with a 2-2 draw against Roundhay Primary School last Friday. This was a terrific game in which there was a great degree of skill on show. A shout out goes to Sam Fishburn who scored two goals and to Jack Cole, who was unlucky not to! We're proud of you!

Star swimmer!



Getting up early to train before school takes some discipline, but it is paying off for Jessica! In a national swimming competition last weekend in Corby for the top 9 year olds, Jessica competed in the freestyle relay, medley relay and individual 50m breaststroke, where incredibly she broke the competition record! She was selected to represent her age group for a cannon relay. Here is Jessica with her Trophy for top 9 year old girl!

Christmas Fair





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Thursday at 03:30 PM - 04:30 PM
Dates: 15/01/2026 - 12/02/2026

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Split the cost options!
Your deadline date to register is: 24/11/2025

Max 23 per club, first come, first served! Thank you!

Detective Science
Discover how science is used to solve real crimes! Watch as the classroom is transformed into a crime lab investigating clues such as mysterious substances. It's so much fun, it's criminal!

Kitchen Chemistry
Welcome to the lab that we call The Kitchen to learn about fun and practical uses of science! Children will learn how living organisms cause bread to rise PH testing things we use daily!

Earthworks
Investigate the powerful processes that shape the planet and form remarkable rocks, magnificent minerals and glittering gems! From riverbeds to tectonic plates!

Mad Mixtures
Exploding colours, liquid lasagne and all sorts of exciting chemistry! Watch out - this one could get messy! You'll even take home your own Mad Mixture of Mad Science Slime!

Bugs!
Explore the world's most abundant animal! Insect defences and their role in our ecosystems will be explored in fun, hands-on activities. Learn your buggy anatomy in this hands on session.

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MINI BOUNCE (5-7 YEAR OLDS)
MONDAY 22ND DEC 09:00-12:00
TUESDAY 23RD DEC 09:00-12:00



BOUNCE (8-11 YEAR OLDS)
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