



Highfield Newsletter



Headteacher's Message

As a child, whenever my parents made a decision I didn't like, I would threaten to ring Esther Rantzen. From interrupting playing out for bedtime to being served parsnips/fish, if I sensed an injustice, the Esther card would be played. Now that I'm a dad, my own father defends his grandchildren by threatening to ring Childline about me with exactly the same complaint. Karma, it seems, comes full circle.

But joking aside, what Esther Rantzen did was give children a voice and hope – hope that they were not alone and someone was fighting their corner. At that time there was a culture of silence around child abuse, with many people reluctant to confront the issue. Esther Rantzen changed that, giving those vulnerable children a place to turn for help. On average, a child contacts Childline every 45 seconds for help today. That is a remarkable statistic and it is thanks to Esther Rantzen that there are councillors ready to help all day every day. At Highfield we promote Childline every year and follow the Speak Out Stay Safe programme.

In the week that Dame Esther Rantzen passed away, we say thank you for the extraordinary legacy she leaves for future generations of children.

Finally, thank you for all your support at the Watch us Learn event and at the curriculum evenings which have been so well attended. We appreciate that not all working parents can attend these and we would like to make them more accessible moving forward. We'd also like to tailor them to give more information about what you need so please let me know; to explain 'what on earth expanded noun phrases are' has already been one request.

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 – Henry, Neha, Rosie, Matteo

1W – Arlo, Sehaj, Lucas

2F – Eric, Georgina, Joshua

2H – Liam, Sidney, Mohammed

3L - Hayden, Maiya, Mani, Maryam

3EF - Annie, Arlo, Elspeth, Leighton

4D - Jocelyn, Joshua, Lilyanne, Simran

4H - Anahita, Ashriya, Malakai, Nethiran

5M - Aman, Isaac, Mohid, Riley

5T - Haniya, Holly, Louis, Sienna

6B - Albie, Charlie, Charlotte, Isla

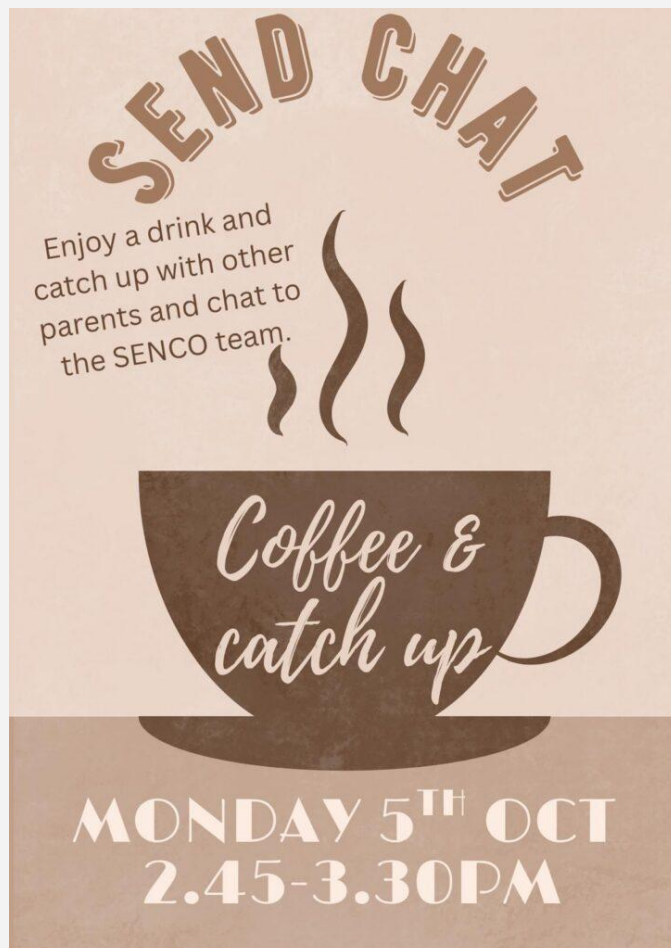
6G - Chloe, Meredith, Sha, Wali

Dates for your Diary!

- **Mon 5th Oct:** SEND Coffee & Catch Up
- **Weds 7th Oct:** Year 2 Harvest Assembly
- **Fri 25th Sept:** KS2 Celebration Assembly

Coffee & Chat

Please feel free to drop in to our SEND Coffee & Chat on Monday at 2:45pm. This is open to everyone in our community and is great way to connect.



Welcome Mrs Dickinson to Highfield!

Miss Elson will soon be starting her maternity leave having taught in both years 3 and 4 this school year. We are pleased to welcome Miss Dickinson to Highfield. She will be teaching in those classes and is very much looking forward to working with us.

HIGHFIELD PRIMARY

OCTOBER HALF TERM

ACTIVE CAMP







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

Play • Learn • Belong

