



# Highfield Primary School

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*Welcome back to all our families - Wishing you a wonderful 2017*



## HEALTH & SAFETY AWARD



Highfield Primary was inspected in November 2016, by the British Safety Council as part of Enfield Council's accreditation for **BS OHSAS 18001:2007**.

We are pleased to inform you that Highfield achieved this accreditation, which has commended our Health and Safety Procedures.

## Year 3 Class Assemblies

**3M** - On the 13th January, 3M presented their class assembly. The assembly - inspired by our new whole school topic - was about the history of Earth and Space. From the beginning of time, to modern day missions into space, 3M explored the milestones humans have achieved in history. The class enjoyed learning new things about Earth and space over time. Miss McGrath was very proud of 3M and their excellent performance!

**3MB** - On Friday 20th January 3MB performed 'Space the Final Frontier' to their parents and KS2. The assembly included planet haikus, motivation speeches, songs and dances. They even met a few

aliens! They performed brilliantly! We could hear all their words clearly and their dance moves were fantastic! Well done 3MB.



**3C** - On Thursday 26th January 3C performed a wonderful assembly, on the Ancient Egyptians, to their parents/carers and KS2. The assembly included exciting facts, drama, singing and dancing. The audience even got a chance to meet the boy Pharaoh, Tutankhamun! We were lucky enough to have our local MP, David Burrowes, in the audience who was so impressed with 3C's 'outstanding' assembly. Miss Celik was extremely proud of all the children as they performed excellently. A huge well done to 3C!

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## **Bike It!**

Many of our children have recently been involved with the exciting Bike It project which is being run at Highfield, with the aim of motivating them to ride bicycles. "Dr Bike" visited us at the end of last term and fixed around 30 of the children's bicycles. Workshops have been run in all Year 5 classes – the children enjoyed learning about the safety of cycling and they came up with excellent ideas on how to inspire other children to cycle to school. A "Design a Bike" competition has prompted children to think of many innovative ideas – including a 5 wheeled bicycle and a flying one! A "Bling Your Bike" session will be run on Tuesday 7th February – we will send more details home closer to the time. Thank you also to the parents who attended the coffee morning at the end of last term to find out more about the project.

*Dr Bike mending the children's bicycles*



*Just two of the many wonderful "Design a Bike" entries*

## **Eco Council competition winners**

Enfield Council recently invited children to name their "Walk To School BEAR". Our Eco Councillors chose the name "Boots" and this name has been selected from many entries as the winner! We have won a smoothie bike for our school and this will be presented to Highfield in an assembly in February.

Well done also to Eco Councillor Monika Nikolova in 5S, whose brilliant design for Enfield's 2017 Road Safety Calendar was chosen for the month of February. The judges loved her message of: "Save the world! Leave the car at home and walk!", and she has won a trophy and a goodie bag.



## **Year 6 trip to the Science Museum**

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January, Year 6 visited the Science Museum. Space travel was the theme of the day to link with this term's topic of Time and Place, Earth and Space.

The children enjoyed a talk by the Astronaut Gene Cernan (an actor) who showed the children Apollo 10 and shared the experiences of space travel from blast off to re-entry of the Earth's atmosphere. The children learnt what it was like to be an astronaut, how you eat and drink in space, what you wear and what it feels like to have no gravity. Did you know the moon's surface is like stepping on powder? Gene Cernan said the moon was rather rocky and had no weather. We found out that Gene Cernan wrote his daughters initials on the moon and it would still be there today as there is no wind to blow it away.

Adrien said, "I liked this trip because we had time to learn about space and visit the space gallery. The

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rockets were huge!" Rim enjoyed seeing the actual Command Module of Apollo 10. "It's actually been in space," she exclaimed.

The children were good ambassadors for the school and had a thoroughly fantastic day!



### Year 5 Greek Day

Year 5 enjoyed an Ancient Greek Day on Tuesday 24th February. The children (and staff) made a fantastic effort with their costumes and really got into the Ancient Greek spirit! In the morning, Year 5 completed a Murder Mystery about who had killed the champion, Agathon, of the Olympic Games! Later on, the children were then treated to a Freshwater Theatre production, where they became time travellers, travelling back to Ancient Greece and learning about how the Ancient Greeks contributed to today's society! In the afternoon, the children took part in a Greek banquet, where they tried foods such as pitta breads, olives, feta, hummus to name but a few!

A fantastic day was had by both children and staff. A special thanks to Miss Greenhill, for organising the brilliant Theatre production. Thank you also to all of the parents and carers for your donations and for helping to make such a memorable day for your children.

### School Council

This term, the school council chose the value Motivation! The children have begun to consider what motivation means and how we can think about motivation in the New Year.

The school council have decided that in keeping with celebrating our school's internationalism, they will be arranging an International Day to take place at Highfield on Friday 24th February 2017. The KS1 school council are very excited to be involved in the organisation of International Day which will take place on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017. All children will

be participating in various activities celebrating different countries. International Day will be a great success and enjoyed by all. ***More details to follow.***

**Netball:** Miss Tipping and the Netball girls would like to thank the Friends of Highfield who have purchased their first Netball Kit. The Kits are lovely and sport the Highfield colours and the logo. Thank you very much!

**Cricket Club:** The children in Year 2 and 3 have just started a cricket club with Mr Clarke, a cricket coach from Winchmore Hill. The children have been learning how to field as well as bat and are also learning how to be part of a team and support one another. Thank you to Mr Clarke for running this club!

**Team Captains and KS1:** Some of the Team Captains will be attending Lee Valley in February to help run the Multi Skills Festival for KS1. The children will get the opportunity to practice long jump, target throwing and many more activities!

### Visit from Shundi School

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January we welcomed children from Shundi school. The school is in southern China, near Hong Kong, and they came to us as part of their visit to Winchmore secondary school. Children from Years 3 and 4 were very excited as they had been told some of the students from Shundi were going to do a martial arts exhibition for us. That martial art was Kung Fu and the children really enjoyed watching the skill, speed and balance the Chinese students showed during their demonstration. They explained the hard work, perseverance and discipline needed to become so good. We hope the Chinese students enjoyed their time in England as much as we enjoyed having them at Highfield.



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### Author visit

On January 31<sup>st</sup> the author SF Said will be visiting the school. He wrote 'Varjak Paw', that many of the children will be familiar with, as well as 'The Outlaw – Varjak Paw' and 'Phoneix'. He will be doing an assembly for Years 3 & 4 and workshops for Years 5 & 6. He will also be doing a book sale and signing in the main hall after school.



### Language of the term – Turkish

At Highfield we enjoy celebrating the many languages that are spoken by our children and families. Because of this we have a language of the term. (You may have seen the display in the reception area).

For the Spring term our language is Turkish and the children will be doing various activities to find out information; such as where it is spoken, the history of the language and some simple words and phrases. We would also like to encourage any child who speaks Turkish (and we know we have many Turkish speakers on the school!) to talk to their class so we can learn from someone who has first hand experience of the language.

### Class Attendance

Class	%
1J	95.09
1L	94.55
1S	95.6
2B	94.59
2I	94.07
2M	93.92
3C	95.45
3M	96.92
3MB	97.03
4D	94.67
4M	95.77
5D	95.2
5S	95.27
5T	96.48
6K	96.57
6W	95
RC	96.91
RP	95.94
RT	97.79

### Headteacher's Award Winners

Congratulations to Anne-Charlotte (NPM), Elin (RC), Brocklin (2M), Ekin (3C), Alex (4M), Javaya (5S), Kyra (5D), Zilan (6W) and Nicole (6W)

	<b>January/February Diary Dates</b>	
31 <sup>st</sup> January	SF Said (Author) visit for Years 5 & 6	1:30-3:20
3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Class Assembly 2I	9:15
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Bling Your Bike	9:00-3:20
8 <sup>th</sup> February	KS1 Multi Skills Festival at Lee Valley	12:00-4:30
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Class Assembly 2M	9:15
13 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>	
20 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>SCHOOL OPENS</b>	
20 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 5 Water Safety talk	1:30-3:00
21 <sup>st</sup> February	Boys Football League at Edmonton County	2:00-3:00
24 <sup>th</sup> February	International Day	
28 <sup>th</sup> February	3C Petrie Museum trip Netball League at Highfield	3:00-4:00

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