

AT HIGHFIELD WE LISTEN.....

Bill of change

The school council have proposed a bill to change an aspect of the school uniform. They have asked for the rule on school shoes to be reviewed. A compromise has been agreed on a variety of type of shoe as long as it is black, and the height of the heel has been increased slightly.

Request for more ball posts in playground has been granted. The children are delighted with the "4 way "ball posts!

Change of name for house teams
The children voted and renamed the house teams instead of colours they selected sports personalities carrying on from the Olympic legacy.

Request for bucket chair swings

After the popular use of the swings, you have asked for some more! You were keen to find swings where 3 or 4 of you can sit and swing together.
The "bucket swings" were found and we are having two installed in September 2013

We would love an enclosed football pitch -please!

It's finally happening a junior size football pitch with an enclosed fenced area, goal post and nets and possibly flood lights is being put together for September 2013. We are saving hard for artificial grass for the following year!

TO THE CHILDREN:

Goats!

Thanks to Mrs Hill the school's site manager the pleas from the children to have goats has happened. We have Alfie and Smudge our lively lovely goats that bring joy to all of us every day!

Request for playtime equipment

Each class will have a large bag full of equipment to use during morning and afternoon break; the children have been involved in choosing the equipment.

Purchase of Ipads in Y6/5 and set for the rest of the school.

The children are absolutely delighted with the Ipads and the manner in which they have sharpened their learning/

Request for props for the outdoor stage

After lots of discussion about what you would like, Mrs Cricks has ordered, dressing up items, books, puppets, puppet theatre and lots more. The children will be able to use these props to enhance their imagination and role play skills - also to have lots of fun at playtime!

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Highfield Children helping in the Community

A resident is a volunteer at the local hospice, she asked us to contact the hospice. From this conversation we have formed a link with The North London Hospice in Barrowell Green. The Choir have been there and performed, they have also shared stories with the patients

School Expansion

We are very aware of the impact the school expansion programme will have on the residents in Highfield Road, we continually update them on the school expansion programme and take all their views and concerns very seriously

Illegal parking

We are working in partnership with the community on the serious concern over dangerous, disruptive and often illegal parking from parents/carers.

Dangerous parking

We have raised awareness on dangerous parking to the families and are holding them account of their illegal actions. We are also working with the traffic police to support our plight. The safety of the children is paramount

Parking spaces.

We are very grateful to Sainsburys Supermarket in Winchmore for providing some car park space for the staff, whilst the school car park is losing up to 16 bays due to the building programme

TO THE COMMUNITY

Noise

We are mindful of weekend letts and respect that the school is in a residential road. We ensure that the noise is not one that will disturb them.

Over-grown greenery.

We continually trim all shrubs, bushes and overhanging trees on the school site to ensure that public foot paths are clear and safe for passers-by.

Request for information about the school.

We alert the residents of Highfield Road to all school news by posting the monthly newsletter through their post boxes. We have also made them aware of the school website for further information

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Awareness of website

We further developed the school website and sign posted Parents and Carers to a variety of useful websites to help with their children's learning and also adult learning.

School Uniform

We hugely reduced the cost of the school uniform by sourcing a competitive provider. The access to purchasing the uniform has offered additional options such as visiting the shop or on-line as well as continuing to purchase from the school

Expansion Programme

We have been updating you on the Primary Expansion Programme and how this will affect Highfield. We have listened to all your concerns and endeavour to continue with the high quality Education for all the children during the building programme

Security

An extra gate was installed to alleviate congestion whilst children are entering and exiting the school.

Y6 School Journey

We subsidise the Year 6 school journey, often up to 50%. We would like all Year 6 children to experience this unique experience

We provide extracurricular experiences for all pupils

We subsidise many school trips to enable all the children to experience additional

Improve Performances

A large screen in the hall has been installed to enable better viewing during your children's performances.

E-Safety

E-safety meetings have been scheduled for parent/cares to come into the school and be made aware of the dangers children are exposed to whilst using the internet.

Packed lunches

We are purchasing outdoor storage for the children to keep their packed lunch boxes after they have eaten their lunch. We agree with you that this is needed.

Attendance

Our attendance officer has worked with individual families; she has listened to your concerns and offered support. The outcome has been very successful and many of you are now bringing your children to school regularly. The school has met its target for attendance.

Safety

We are constantly updating your contact details to ensure that you receive all the text messages. We feel communication is very important.

TO THE
PARENT/CARERS

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Staff are planning this into the curriculum as they feel it is important for the children to offer their services. We already have a strong link with The North London Hospice in Barrowell Green.

School Expansion

The staffs' views have been considered and they are keen to incorporate the building work into the curriculum. They have asked for peep-holes so children can monitor the progress of the work and also organised site-tours and assemblies for updates.

Creative curriculum

Reviewed curriculum to engage and enhance pupils learning through a thematic approach and child input - a great success as the learning is meaningful.

Workshops for parent/carers to help their children's learning

Staff have organised a variety of workshops where parent/carers attend and are offered help by the teachers in helping their child with homework, or Reading or Maths concepts. The agenda is set by the families.

Sensory room

An identified area of learning has been set up in the school. This room has enabled SEN pupils to have alternative educational provision with trained staff

TO THE STAFF

Clubs

Pupils are offered bespoke clubs run by the staff during lunch time and after school

Code club

To extend the knowledge of pupils computing skills offering an after school club with a specialist teacher

Outdoor learning areas

Identified areas where learning has bigger impact for some children therefore outdoor areas have been highly developed to offer an enabling environment