



Highfield Primary School

NEWSLETTER



Message from Headteacher - March 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a wonderful month we have had at Highfield! It has been brilliant seeing the children enjoying 'normal' school life again; We have welcomed visitors to the school, some children have been on local school trips and there have been so many exciting lessons taking place in the classroom/s too.

STEM Week was an exciting week for children from Nursery right through to Year 6 - promoted by the British Science Association, STEM Week aimed to celebrate all Sciences and their importance in our everyday lives. It provided all children at Highfield the opportunity to take part in Science, Engineering and Technology events and activities. These were then showcased in our STEM Fair where each year group and their learning were represented and every child across the school got to share in the learning of their peers.

We have also enjoyed many sporting successes too – the Dance Festival was spectacular and our children showed off not only their incredible talent in dance, but also their tremendous sportsmanship when celebrating the achievements of others. Thanks to all those involved in the preparation for this; Ms Stoughton, you are a brilliant Choreographer! This great sportsmanship was echoed by our school Football Teams earlier this week – The Year 4 children in particular were praised for their positivity and sheer determination to succeed despite losing their first game.

Finally, we are thrilled to announce that Mr Wilson has recently welcomed a new baby daughter to his family. We hope you will join us in sending him and his family all our love and congratulations on their amazing new addition.

Wishing you all a fabulous Easter Break and looking forward to seeing you all when we return for the Summer Term on **Tuesday 19th April 2022**.

Best Wishes

Mrs Morton and Mrs Calder



Our three core values are Respect, Co-Operation and Kindness.

This term's value is Equality

Headteacher Awards this month:

Week Ending: 04.03.22

Neo 3L

Eymen 3J

Herbie 3D

Week Ending: 11.03.22

Aria 2RM

Dayana 2M

Ishaan 2BD

Week Ending : 18.03.22

Amelia 1S

Rayan 1B

Dogukan 1C

Week Ending : 25.03.22

Jessica RJ

Michaela RF

Daniel RL

Attendance Class Awards this month:

Week Ending : 04.03.22

KS1 NAM - 100%

KS2 5M - 97%

Week Ending : 11.03.22

KS1 2RM - 100%

KS2 5M - 98%

Week Ending : 18.03.22

KS1 RF - 98%

KS2 6C - 100%

Week Ending : 25.03.22

KS1 2M - 98%

KS2 3J - 98%



2M's Class Assembly

At the beginning of the month 2M performed their class assembly for their parents and families. The assembly followed the story of the Great Fire of London and what happened during those historic few days. 2M explained how the fire is thought to have begun in Thomas Farinner's bakery and it spread so fast because the weather had been especially dry and windy. They also showed that it was King Charles II who had to decide how to put the fire out and rebuild London. One of the reasons we're able to have learnt so much about the Great Fire of London is from Samuel Pepys' diary.

2M brought their learning to life and performed with enthusiasm, great energy and fabulous singing and dancing! Brilliant work 2M!

2RM's Class Assembly

2RM performed a fun filled assembly with singing ,dancing, African drumming, poetry recital, painting and a whole class drama.

Our theme was tigers. I am incredibly proud of all of the children. Together we did achieve more and we had fun doing so. We have so many talented children and they loved every minute of performing to their parents.

2BD Class Assembly - 25.3.22

2BD celebrated springtime at their class assembly on Friday. They explained how we look forward to the signs of new life and hope that the season brings; from new-born animals to the first snowdrops on the ground.

The children also enlightened us about how spring is celebrated in different cultures; from the colourful festival of Holi and Christian festival of Easter to Baba Marta Day in Bulgaria.

It was lovely to see so many parents and carers in attendance. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the assembly which ended with a rousing rendition of "Here Comes The Sun", complete with a slide show of 2BD enjoying the spring sunshine in our playground!



Enfield Sings—Year 3

Over the last half term, all year 3 children have been practising a range of different songs for the Enfield sings concert. This was taken place during the school day and was joined by 4 other schools in Enfield. The children sung their hearts out and really enjoyed seeing other schools via zoom.

'It was so much fun seeing and singing along with other schools from Enfield' Ayla 3D

'We have been learning the songs for a few weeks now, it will be great to finally be able to sing with the whole of year 3 and other schools,' Naila, 3D.

Enfield Dance Festival

Highfield's dance group sparkled and shined at the annual Enfield Dance Festival at the Millfield theatre on Wednesday 23rd March. The theme this year was "A time to dance" and Highfield was given the era between 1920 and 1939. They performed a high-energy dance to, "A Dime" from the musical "42nd Street". Eemani, Satya, Esme, Scarlett, Sarah, Aarya, Leyla, Merieme, Elin, Daisy, Eliana, Zak, Elisha and Olivia have spend weeks learning a complex routine with different movements, formations and transitions across the stage- they blew everyone away!

Thank you to Mrs Bates for using her brilliant sewing skills to create golden waist coats and beautiful bows.

Also, a massive thank you to Mrs Stoughton for creating a choreography fit for the London West End. A lot of time, planning and careful consideration was put into the theme, costumes and routine.

Di Wren (Chair of Governors) "The were polished and were by far, the best group to take the stage"
Mrs Stoughton "I am incredibly proud of all the children- their performance brought me to tears!"



Year 1 Holi Celebration

On Friday 18th March it was the Hindu festival of Holi. Year 1 have been learning about Holi in RE and decided to celebrate. We were lucky enough for a parent to come into school and talk to us about the meaning of Holi and how she celebrates with her family. All the children then went out onto the field and enjoyed throwing powder paint at each other. We all had an amazing afternoon celebrating.



Easter Assembly

On Thursday 10th March, Year 6 had an Easter Assembly run by Pathway. The children learnt about the importance of Easter and why it is celebrated by Christians. There was an opportunity to ask questions and gain a deeper understanding of this religious celebration.



Community Class Project

As part of community class projects, 3D decided that they would like to support the Ukrainian refugee's who recently had to flee their country to a safer place. Class 3D worked so hard donating different items and bringing them into school. 'We worked out how many items that we had collected and organised them into different categories ready for them to be taken by Miss Dust to the Ukrainian community centre' - Isla M.



Here is a picture of all the goods that were collected by the hard working children. Well done 3D.

World Book Day 2022

As part of our World Book Day celebrations this year we all came to school dressed up as our favourite book characters. During the day the children completed a range of exciting reading activities in their classrooms. We also started a sponsored Readathon to raise money for books for children in hospital.

During 'Book Week', Parents were invited into school to read a book of their choice to their child's class. A big thank you to all those parents who took part, the children thoroughly enjoyed this.

We were also fortunate enough to have visits from two authors. On Monday 28th February, Key Stage 2 were visited by Rob Lloyd Jones. He told us all about his own reading journey and how he became an author. He gave us some key tips about how to become successful writers.

"I really liked the author that I have asked my mum and dad to buy me the books" Bella 3D

"I like his adventure books because they were very exciting. I enjoyed listening about how he wrote his Jake Atlas books and that they included how important it is to get along with your family." Martyna 3J

"I enjoyed hearing about how he became an author and what inspired him." Tyler 4M

"The last piece of advice he gave us was to be curious and to use our imaginations." Mete 5M

"I liked that he shared tips about how to write stories, I think that's really useful." Farida 5P

"It was nice that he included his children's ideas in his book." Orestina. 6A

On Thursday 10th March, author Gareth P Jones visited our Early Years and Key Stage 1 children. He explained what an author is and where he gets his ideas for his stories from. Gareth sung songs about his books and the children were encouraged to join in whilst he played his ukulele.

"He sang a song and read us a story. It was about a gorilla wanting to go to the ball. He writes stories." Frankie NAM

"I liked the author because he read us the story he wrote and we got to join in with some actions." Idris RJ

"I liked when Gareth read Snowy White and my favourite part was when the cats realised they had made a mess." Alexa. 1C

"I liked him singing and playing the ukulele." Finley 1S

"I loved Gareth's songs, he was really funny!" Mario 2BD

"Gareth inspired me as he has an exciting voice. His storytelling was amazing." Millicent 2RM

All children thoroughly enjoyed the visit from their author and many were inspired to read the author's books after their visits.

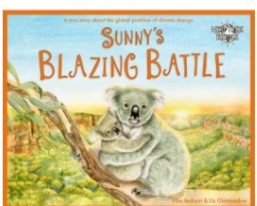
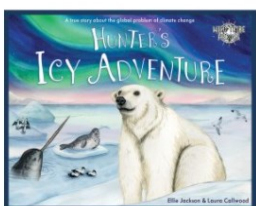
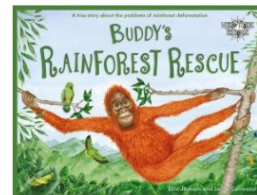
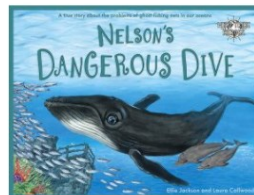
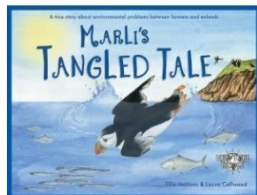
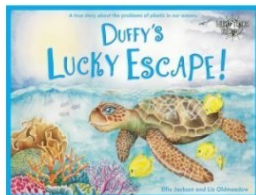
Reading & Writing Achievements for Spring

Congratulations to the following children for their excellent effort and progress with their literacy skills. We are very proud of you all. Keep up the great work! Have a lovely holiday. Miss Johnson

lass	Names	Reader or writer
RF	Freya	Reading
RJ	Isabella	Writer
RL	Skylar	Reading and Writing
1B	Daris	Writer
1C	Josh	Reader
1S	Margot	Writer
2BD	Rose Aliyah	Reader Writer
2M	Kayson	Writer
2RM	Alvaro	Reading
3D	Amir - Suzy	Writer
3J	Ela	Writer
4C	Nadine	Writer
4GF	Lorraine	Writer
4M	Dawud	Writer
5C	Angel	Writer
5M	Manny	Reader and Writer
5P	Anil	Reader
6A	Emirhan	Writer
6C	Charlie	Reading
6P	Brian	Writer

STEM Week at Highfield

As part of our STEM Week this year, each class focussed their learning on a book by the fantastic author, Ellie Jackson. We were lucky enough to have virtual assemblies with her where she talked about her personal experiences and how these led to her writing books about sustainability.



Year 2 - We can have fun by doing other things like not throwing balloons in the sky, we could blow bubbles or fly kites. (Dayana)

Year 3 - I really enjoyed learning about Buddy's Rainforest rescue as it has helped me understand why there aren't many orangutans - Herbie

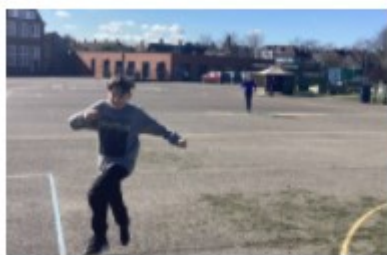
Year 4 - I think the book proves that animals are just as important as humans. We should respect them and not ruin their homes. (Aleeha)

Year 5 - These books are very inspirational and they help people to understand the effects of climate change. (Abdullahi)

I like how her books are based on real stories because it helps us to understand what is really happening - it also educates people. (Olivia)

Year 6

During STEM Week, Year 6 looked at the impact of climate change on a polar bear's habitat (linked to Ellie Jackson's book - Hunter's Icy Adventure). We completed a range of cross-curricular activities throughout the week: News reports to document the impact of climate change (English), polar bear drawings (Art), iceberg investigation (Science), mapping iceberg coordinates (Maths outdoor learning), virtual assembly with Ellie Jackson, comparing a human diet to a polar bear's diet (Science) and exploring the Inuit diet (D&T).



Year 5

Inspired by Ellie Jackson's book, Nelson's Dangerous Dive, 5M spent the week investigating plastics in the world's oceans and it's effects on sea life. Our outdoor activities involved coordinates races, a plastic island problem solving game and the creation of sea creatures from natural objects. In DT we evaluated and redesigned packaging for Healthy wraps in order to make them plastic free.



Year 4

Inspired by Ellie Jackson's book, Sunny's Blazing Battle, Year 4 spent the week creating their very own torches! After reading the story book in our Comprehension lessons and taking part in a virtual assembly with the author, it inspired us to create something unique and spectacular. We decided the purpose of our torches was to either aid a firefighter searching high and low in the forest for koalas, or for the vets that worked tirelessly to help nurse the koalas back to health. In Maths, we investigated average lengths and weights of koalas, representing them in a variety of ways. In DT, we designed a torch and listed all the materials we would need to create our product. In Science, we explored different types of switches we could make using just card, paper clips and split pins! When we found the best type of switch, we incorporated it into our final design. There were some parts of our prototypes that didn't quite work but we worked hard to improve our products the best we could.



STEM Fair continued

Year 1

Year 1 had an amazing time during STEM week. They were sent a letter from Traction Man asking them to help design him a new outfit for his mission to Antarctica. The children used their knowledge about materials from our Science topic and also their fantastic design skills in DT to design an outfit which was warm, thick, waterproof and flexible. They created their own outfits and then tested them to check that they met all of Traction Man's criteria.



Reception

In Reception we read the story 'The Polar Bear's Home' and spoke about the Arctic where the story was set. The children learnt about how the polar bear's home is melting due to global warming. To see this in action we observed ice melt in our classrooms and saw how this turned into water like we predicted. The children used different materials to create dens for the polar bears and thought about what they could do to help save the polar bear's home.

Nursery

In Nursery, we focused on two books - 'Where's the Elephant?' and 'Handa's Surprise'. We thought about deforestation, and how the animals would have been feeling, and how it made us feel.

Deforestation is "cutting trees down" (Ayman) and "is very sad" (Oscar-George). Neer: "The three animals are feeling sad 'cos some people chopped down some trees." Mabel: "loud because many people are in the houses."

We planted cress seeds, and cared for the plants. Frankie: "We need to give them water to drink, so they will grow."

We built some homes for the animals to live in. We went to Sainsbury's to buy the fruit that Handa put in her basket for Akeyo. We used magnifying glasses to investigate the different fruits, and we used iPads to take some photos of the fruits.

We used balance scales to weigh the fruits. Aidan: "The pineapple is so heavy."

We really enjoyed tasting all of the different fruits.

STEM Fair

To finish off our fantastic STEM week, we held a Highfield STEM Fair on Monday 28th March. All year groups had the opportunity to showcase their learning and classes were able to visit the fair and have a go at some of the interactive activities set up. We were also lucky enough to have some Winchmore Secondary School students join us in the afternoon - they were really impressed with the range of activities completed by all year groups.



Year Four Cross Country

On March 4th Highfield took part in a Year Four Cross Country competition at Lee Valley Athletics Stadium. The girls' and boys' teams ran approximately 1200 meters around the outside of the outdoor running track. It was a tough race but every member of the team ran their best with Isabelle and Sebastian both coming 16th out of 40 in their races. Congratulations also to Orgita, Anne Charlotte, Kamea, William, Dahan, Eljo and Valentino. Brilliant running!



Year 5/6 Football Team

The Y5/6 team lost their first game but in the second game they drew 0:0. A good result against strong opponents. Well done to Leon for making many excellent saves and great teamwork Adem, Elisha, Alex, Dionis, Eleftherios, Elishua, Ben and Kal-el.

Football Friendly at Raglan Schools

On March 28th Highfield took a Y5/6 football team and the newly formed Y4 football team to Raglan to take part in some friendly matches.



Year 4 Football Team

The Y4 team got off to a great start but lost the first game 2:1. By the second game they were playing confidently as a team, winning easily by 5 goals to nil. Excellent teamwork Jackson, Archie, Dylan, David, Paul, Nyah, Nicholas, Kevin and Sebastien.



Year 5 and 6 netball tournament at Highfield

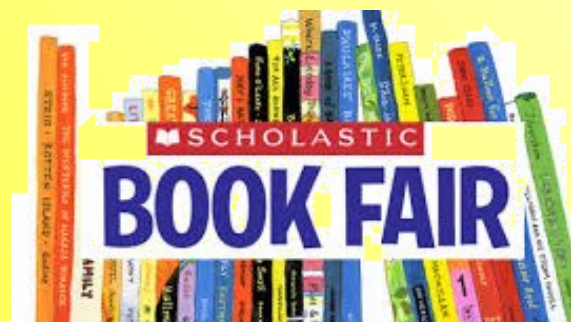
On Wednesday 30th March Highfield took part in a mini tournament on the school pitches. Previous league matches had been cancelled due to the weather so the team were eager to play. Lynecia, Sloane, Minnie, Olivia, Sarah, Sienna, India, Farida, Kayla, Daisy, Played four tough matches against Houndsfield, St Pauls, Edmonton County and Raglan. Their best score was a thrilling 4:4 draw against Raglan. Great teamwork!

Bookfair - March 2022

We made a massive £3,276.00 in the bookfair. The 60% commission we earned came to staggering £1,900.00:

£1,000.00 went to Year 5 to update their book corners and the remaining £900.00, books were ordered for various other year groups.

A huge thank you to Mrs Oskis for all her hard work during the book week!

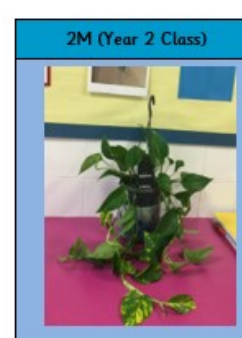
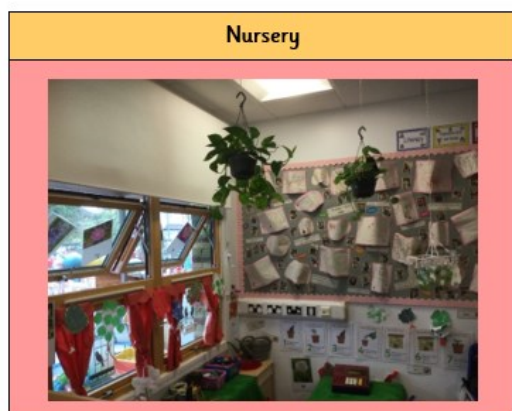


Kind Donations to Highfield Primary School

We would like to share that one of the Contract Managers from GSG (Global Support Group) that manages a contract with Patch Plants www.patchplants.com decided as a team to kindly donate a number of amazing indoor plants and accessories to us at Highfield Primary School.

We are extremely lucky as our Nursery and Reception children are excited to have them in their classrooms. A Year 1 and Year 2 class also got a plant each. The plants enable our classrooms to become more therapeutic but also gives the children a sense of responsibility. The children are taking great care for each plant in their classroom- ensuring they have enough water (not too much) and enough light (not too much direct light). The children treat the plants as part of their classroom and friends. The plants are pre-named from Patch, but our Reception children decided to name them with either different names, give them middle names or even given them surnames. The Reception children also drew beautiful still life drawings of the plants and included a thank you message for Patch.

Here are some of the photographs in each area and a few of the beautiful drawings alongside their messages to Patch.



Dali Class



RJ (Reception Class)



RL (Reception Class)



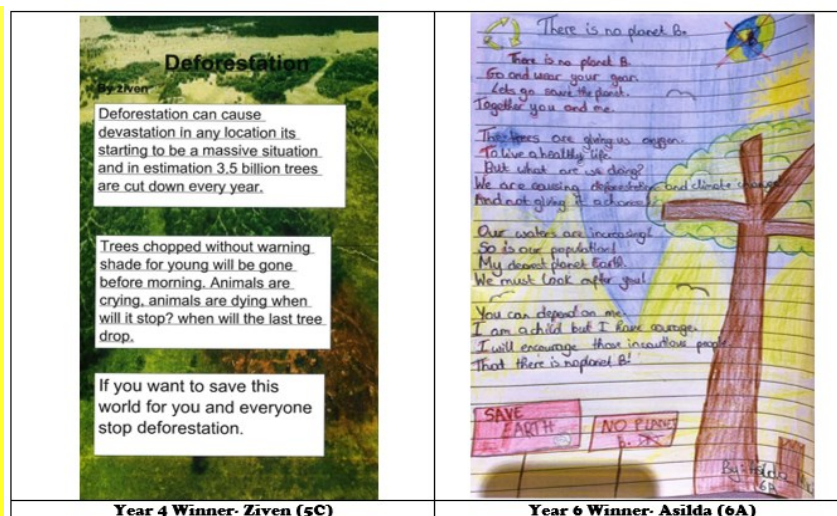
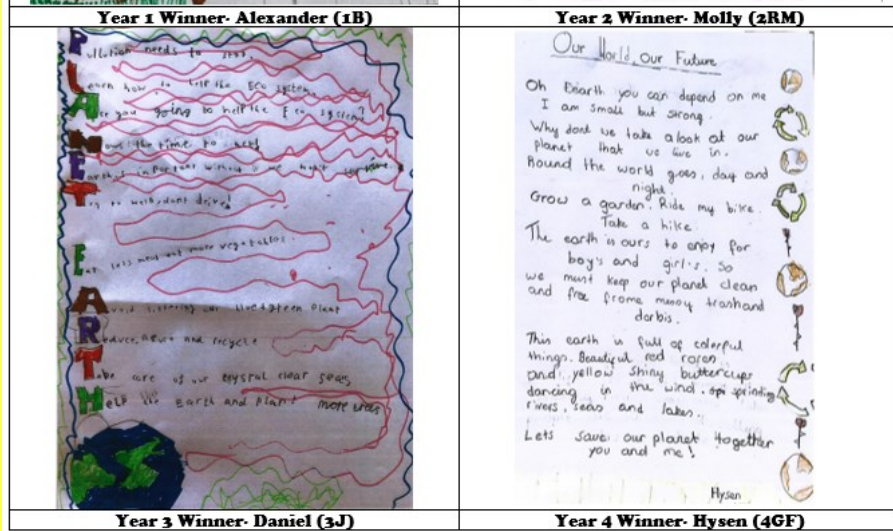
RF (Reception Class)



Continued.. Thank you, Patch Plants we are very grateful for the beautiful plants!

Still life drawings of the plants and thank you messages (using their phonics to sound out the words needed) for Patch Plants!		
		
		
		
		

School council were inundated with fantastic entries for the 'Our World, Our Future' competition. They struggled to pick one winner from KS1 and KS2, because there were so many AMAZING examples of poetry to pick from. As a result, they decided to pick one winner per year group. Congratulations to the winners!



Victorian Day

Year 1 came to school dressed as a Victorian to support our learning in History. The children were seated in rows. In the morning they practised writing the alphabet on a slate with chalk, they chanted numbers and had a hygiene inspection! Over the day we learned about the role of a maid in Victorian times, we handled artefacts and learned about schooling in Victorian times.



Sing & Step

25th April-18th July

Excluding Excluding 2nd May and 31st May

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Year 2-Year 6

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On Friday 20th May, hundreds of people will be walking The Nightingale Cancer Support Centre's 10K or 15K Night Hike route around our beautiful borough of Enfield.

We meet from 6:30pm outside the Enfield Civic Centre, Silver Street, Enfield for a welcome reception to get the party started, where you can pick up your goodie bag and t-shirt and warm up to get you ready for the walk setting off at 7:30pm. It's also our 20th anniversary so we plan to make this our biggest Night Hike yet!

We hope you will join us for a fun night with family and friends whilst supporting local people affected by cancer.

Entry is just £15 or £18 with a t-shirt.

Volunteering at The Night Hike

We are also looking for Marshals along each route, if you are interesting in volunteering, please contact Louise at louise@nightingalesupport.org.uk or 020 8366 9674.



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TUESDAY MULTISPORTS

All Years (Rec - 6)
3.20pm - 4.20pm

Dates

19th/26th April
3rd/10th/17th/24th May

WEDNESDAY FOOTBALL

Year 4, 5 and 6
3.20pm - 4.20pm

Dates

20th/27th April
4th/11th/18th/25th May

FRIDAY FOOTBALL

Year Rec 1, 2 and 3
3.20pm - 4.20pm

Dates FIVE WEEK COURSE

22nd/29th April
6th/13th/20th May

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