



Highbury Primary School Newsletter

Week Commencing 29/01/2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very hectic couple of weeks in school. The children have all been really busy reading and taking their quizzes successfully, so thank you for all your support. Many of you have attended structured conversations to discuss ways to further support your children. A new initiative has been launched - 'Breakfast on the Bus,' at 8.20 for invited families.

I have been observing in class and I have seen all your children applying themselves really well to their learning and making observable progress. You should be very proud of them. The children have really been embracing the immersive environments, continuing the theme in their learning. As a result of all this hard work there were an enormous amount of certificates awarded!

In response to some of your concerns regarding the cost of some of the trips, visitors and activities in school we are collating an estimated cost for the term. This will be shared with you so that you can have an opportunity to pay in instalments, if you would like to.

Thank you for all your continued support

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Sadler

Headteacher

Attendance Champions:

This week's winners are Rabbit Class with 99%! Well Done!

- Hedgehogs— 93%
 - Squirrel— 96.3%
 - Rabbit— 99%
 - Robin - 88%
 - Ladybird— 93.3%
 - Bumblebee— 92%
 - Bluebell— 98%
 - Snowdrop— 95%
 - Sunflower— 97.9%
 - Daffodil— 96.3%
 - Mint— 92.3%
 - Lavender— 92.9%
 - Ivy— 93.9%
 - Holly— 91.6%
- WHOLE SCHOOL—
Figures week ending
26th January



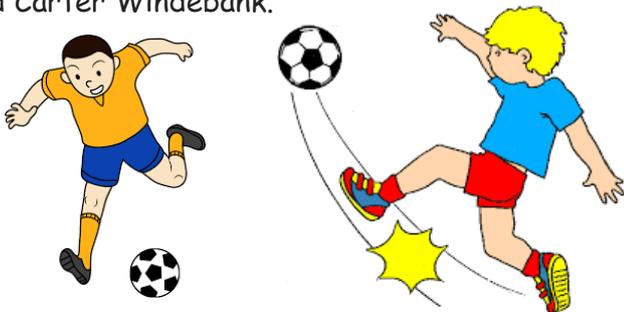
PE KIT

Miss Sadler would like to remind parents that children **must** have long black tracksuit-type bottoms and a sweatshirt in their PE kits due to the cold weather, as outdoor PE will continue as long as there are dry conditions.



Football Mad!

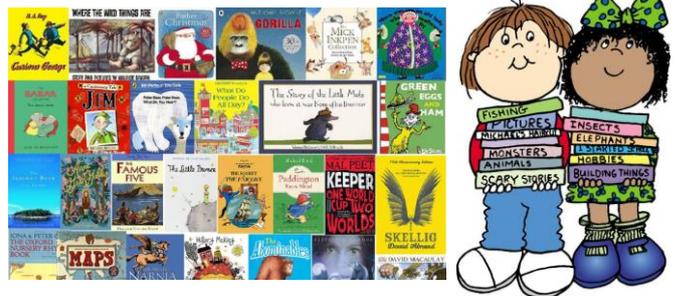
Friday 19th January saw an exciting football competition take place, organised by PFC. Highbury Primary School played 5 games (W1, D2, L2) and played extremely well, demonstrating great teamwork and showing flair with some super goals. Big well done to Joshua Pitts, Emmanuel Kabeya, Jake Bull, Kacper Walter, Jacob Littlemore, Jack Calver Smith and Carter Windebank.



Wednesdays 8.30 until 8.45 in the hall



Book Swap



Year 3 Go Wild!

Year 3 are heading to Marwell Zoo on Friday 2nd February! Make sure you've returned your slips to the office and have a lunch packed in your bag so you can go and see all the brilliant and amazing wild animals!

Paracetamol

We are aware that cold and flu season is well and truly in full swing, and that your children might need some paracetamol in the day. However, we would ask that paracetamol please be given at home if your child requires it in the morning.

Old/Used Newspapers

If you have any old or unwanted newspapers could you please pop them into the school office. Our classes often use newspapers for their arts and crafts, and would be incredibly grateful for any donations!

Breakfast & After School Club

We would like to ask parents dropping their children off and picking them up from Breakfast and After School Club, to not park in front of the school. Most of our deliveries to the school arrive in the early morning, and so we would like to keep access as clear as possible.

The Reading Bus

Look out for an invitation in your child's book-bag!

We are inviting children to come and join us on our fantastic Reading Bus in the mornings. We'll have toast with jam or marmite, squash, and some tea to keep you snug and warm while you do some reading with your child.

The bus will be open from 8:20 every morning, so come and hop on!



A New Little Hedgehog!

Our lovely Mrs Clark is expecting her first baby in May 2018, which is very exciting and we couldn't be happier for her and her husband.

Mrs Clark will need lots of rest before her baby arrives, so she will be leaving for her maternity leave on 20th April 2018.

The school would like to ensure all parents that their children will receive the best education and consistency. Our fantastic Leadership Team are taking time to ensure a seamless transition for Hedgehog Class, and will let you all know their plan soon.

Until then, many congratulations to Mrs Clark!



Sayers Croft

This year our Year 3s & 4s are heading off to Sayers Croft for their residential! There are limited spaces, so make sure to hand in slips and deposits into the office before the 2nd of February.



St Philip's Table Top Sales

There will be a Table Top Sale running at St Philip's on Saturday the 17th of February, and Wendy Brady is looking for some of you lovely people who want to hire a table top. It's £5 per table, and £4 if you book 4 times this year!

If you're interested, please contact Wendy Brady;

Phone: 02392379278

Email: wjbrady@btinternet.com

Parking

The intersection between Dovercourt Road and Highbury Grove has been getting worse with hazardous and dangerous car use. We have noticed that parents are parking on the double yellows at the edge of the intersection, meaning our Lollipop Man can't see cars coming, and so is having trouble helping your children safely cross the road to school. Please consider if parking at the intersection is in the best interest of our children's safety.

We would also like to remind you that the staff car park should only be used by staff and those with special permission to park in it. If you are driving your children to school, please park on the road and walk the remaining distance.

Please do not park on the yellow zig-zags outside the school.

Please avoid driving down Dovercourt Road for the safety of all our children.



Dinner Money/After School Club Fees

Please make sure you are up to date with all dinner money and after school club fees to ensure your child can access these services. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Office Opening Times

The school office is open from 8.30am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday. Please walk around the school for Breakfast and After School Club and ring the bell on the door at the rear of the school.

Absence

Could parents please call the school on each day of their child's absence.

We also ask that parents provide medical evidence such as doctor's appointment cards, hospital letters and packaging from prescribed medicines so that we can verify any absences.