



# Highfield Newsletter



## Headteacher's Message

If you came to the **RED (Respect, Equality, Diversity) exhibition** on Wednesday, you will fully understand why I am such a proud Headteacher at the end of this half-term. **Proud** of our talented children, **proud** of our hard-working staff and **proud** of the community who support us. The RED exhibition was a wonderful showcase for our rich, **inclusive** curriculum but more importantly it gave our children the opportunity to **celebrate** and share the diversity within our school. Influenced by dance, song, poetry, dress, religion and spoken language from all over the world it was a truly memorable event. Thanks to you all for supporting it.

This week we also had a number of visitors in school; a Headteacher, a Director of Primary from an Academy Trust and a Secondary Assistant Head have all been to Highfield to see our work and meet the children. There was a consistent theme in the feedback I received from them; that the politeness and behaviour of Highfield children was exemplary. Well done everyone!

As I wish you a happy half-term break, I'll leave you with the final verse and chorus of our Highfield Song, written by Ayla in year 5, which beautifully encapsulates the spirit of our school.

**Mr Feeley**

*Highfield children may be different, they're worth divides evenly.*

*Respect, equality, diversity.*

*And who you love is your decision and we believe that honestly.*

*Respect, equality, diversity.*

*If you agree*

*Sing with me*

*Don't be afraid*

*Of livin' free*

*We'll build a better future for you and me.*

## Celebration Assembly

**Congratulations** and a huge well done to the children in Reception and Key Stage One who were recognised for their fantastic effort and attitude this week by making it into the **celebration book**. We are all proud of you for setting such a high standard! The children who we are celebrating this week are:

RH – Aria, Elisia, Goran, Gurbani, Simran

RG – Arian, Geetika, Nethiran, Rex

1B – Archie, Daniel, Joe, Lucy

1L – Holly, Ian, Oscar, Selena

2F – Charlie, Chloe, Rahul, Siona

2H – Fayyaz, Navneet, Vaidehi

## Sandals

Following the recent sunny conditions, there have been a few enquiries regarding whether children can wear sandals. Unfortunately open-toe sandals present a risk to children by way of impact from objects such as chair legs and other children's feet. We wouldn't want any children to be harmed and therefore ask that school shoes be worn.

## Dates for your Diary!

- **Mon 5<sup>th</sup> June:** School opens!

**Safeguarding.** For child protection concerns you can contact any of our Designated Child Protection Officers: Mr Feeley, Mrs McVeigh, 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.

## The White Rose of Highfield!



You may remember from a previous newsletter that Amirah in Year 6 had been selected for the Yorkshire U'11s girl's cricket squad. Well this week, Amirah was selected and played in the roses match against Lancashire! In the first innings she was wicket keeper and Lancashire scored 77 runs. Then in the second innings, she batted 10<sup>th</sup> and went in for the last two overs and scored a 4 to win the game!

After lunch, they played a second game and Amirah opened the batting and scored 16 runs individually and 30 runs as a pair. At the end of the innings the score was 105 to Yorkshire. In the second innings Yorkshire bowled everyone out with 5 overs remaining and won the second match of the day!

Amirah is pictured with her Yorkshire cap – what an achievement! We are all so proud of our Highfielder wearing the white rose.



## Highfield Signposting



Welcome to the Highfield Signposting section of the newsletter. Here you will find information which you may find useful to support your children.

**Parents' Space:** a free, informal course for local parents and carers at the Compton Centre Community Hub and Library, Harehills.

Starting Thursday 15th June 1-2:30PM for 4 weeks.

This is a free, informal course for parents and carers at the Compton Centre Community Hub, run in partnership with the Lifelong Learning Centre. Please see details below.



**Lifelong Learning Centre**  
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**CALLING ALL PARENTS AND CARERS!**

**PARENTS' SPACE**

Join us for 4 **free** sessions for local parents and carers to have some time out and discuss what's important to you.

A chance to share ideas and experiences with other parents and carers.

A relaxing space for discussion and information about interesting topics related to families.

**Taking place at:**  
The Compton Centre  
Community Hub and Library  
Harehills Lane  
Leeds  
LS9 7BG  
0113 336 7790

In partnership with the **Lifelong Learning Centre**  
University of Leeds

## Moor Allerton Library

Reading is one of the four key drivers of our Highfield Curriculum. We are always looking to raise the profile of reading and as such have set up a partnership with Moor Allerton Library. Over half-term you might like to pay them a visit and see all the wonderful things they have to offer. For example, at the moment they offer:

A weekly story time on Tuesdays 11.30 – 1.30pm

A weekly digital support drop-in session Monday 1.30 – 2.30pm (term-time) only

A monthly Lego club first Saturday of the month 11 am – 12.

A chess club which is running fortnightly on Wednesdays up to end of school term in July. The dates are; 14th June, 28th June and 12th July.

Here is a poster for the Lego Club; there are also theatre performances taking place at Moor Allerton Library in the next few weeks. All the events are **free** but need to be booked and the tickets are available on Ticketsource.



## Lego Spike: Coding Carnivals

Be the Ringmaster of your own Lego carnival  
11am - 12, Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June  
Moor Allerton Community Hub and Library

Roll up, roll up! Be the ringmaster of your very own Lego Spike carnival. Be the first to try our brand-new Lego Spike kits and use your building, and coding skills to build fantastical, carnival creations. Can you construct a Ferris wheel or create your own pinball wizard game?

Free family-friendly event recommended for children aged 5+  
All children must be accompanied by an adult. Accompanying adults do not need a ticket.

Book your free ticket at [Ticketsource.co.uk/leedslibraryevents](https://ticketsource.co.uk/leedslibraryevents)



## RED Exhibition Highlights!

