



Highfield Newsletter



Headteacher's Message

As we reach the half-term break I'm not going to get on my soap box about societal values, politics, world history or fraudulent currency. Instead, I have something far more important to share. I'm ending the term by giving the last word to Anika in Year 5 who, inspired by the work of Benjamin Zephania, wrote this wonderful poem about family history and heritage for her homework:

Our families love is shining bright.
From grandparents to parents,
Their culture is passed onto us.

Songs and tales so old,
Passed with love more precious with gold
Traditions keep us standing tall,
A thread that binds us, one and all.

A legacy built to last
And pass on our past.

Enjoy your half-term and thank you for your support.

Mr Feeley

News & Updates

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations and a huge well done to the children in 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:

RGM - Aadhya, Joanne, Leo, Sidney

RH - Emily, Harriet, Sehar, Theo

1B - Lahari, Leighton, Melissa

1W- Davide, Elspeth, Eve, Oliver

2H- Amara, Amber, Toby

2F - Aazra, Ranveer, Simran

Cross Country



These runners did their school proud on Wednesday when they represented North Leeds in the Leeds Cross Country Running Finals at Temple Newsam Park. Isn't it great to see that in this age of digital distraction there's nothing like fresh air and exercise? It was cold, wet and muddy, but it didn't stop these competitors from giving their all! Huge thanks too for the wonderful support from parents and carers who took the time to come and cheer all the runners on. Special mentions go to Isabelle, who was the sole runner for the Year 4 girls' team and Izzi who did the same for Year 6. Ernie from Year 4 finished in a very impressive 2nd place- he was a muddy slip away from taking victory!

We're so proud of you all!

Maths Enrichment Club

Year 6 have recently been enjoying the Maths Enrichment Club at Highfield. They have learned amazing stories about Maths including the strange and frightening story of zero, the huge difference that Fibonacci made to numbers in Europe, the use of Maths in Art as well as taking part in some fun puzzles, games and hearing some truly awful Maths jokes!



Sam's full Leeds United debut



Anyone watching Match of the Day on Saturday night might have heard a familiar name – Sam Chambers playing against Millwall for Leeds United! Sam, a former Highfielder, made his first start for Leeds on Saturday in the FA Cup after making his debut off the bench against Plymouth earlier in the season. Although the result didn't go Leeds way, Sam gave a great account of himself and nearly scored!

Allerton Grange

Our Year 6 trip to Allerton Grange for two Design and Technology sessions featured in their latest newsletter. If you would like to see it then you can find it [here](#).

Belvedere Gate update

Following the first week's work on the Belvedere Gate path, the Council have informed us that the work is likely to run over past half-term and into the first week back. Unfortunately the removal of the old path has uncovered a number of structural issues which will require further work to make it safe before laying the new surface. We will update you when we are given an idea of the completion date.

Dates for your Diary!

- **Mon 24th Feb:** Spring Half-term 2 begins
- **Weds 26th Feb:** 2H Class Assembly
- **Thurs 27th Feb:** Y6 football fixture
- **Fri 28th Feb:** The Friends Quiz Night!

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



Join Our Highfield Sponsored Junior Parkrun in aid of



Sponsorship forms and further
info available on Parent Mail or
ask at the School Office.

MIND Leeds is dedicated to promoting better mental health
for everyone, helping individuals build resilience, overcome
challenges and take control of their lives.

To raise funds for this worthy cause, Highfield is
teaming up with Roundhay Junior Parkrun to host
a 2km sponsored walk, jog, or run.

We invite your child to take part and help make a
difference!

When: Sunday 2nd March 2025 at 9am

Where: Meeting Place – The cricket pitch (near
The Mansion) Roundhay Park



HALF-TERM BASKETBALL CAMPS

MONDAY 17TH - THURSDAY 20TH
FEBRUARY 2025

ALLERTON HIGH SCHOOL, KING LN, LS17 7AG

HALF DAY CAMPS



MINI BOUNCE 5-7 YEAR OLDS
TUESDAY 09:00-12:00



BOUNCE 8-11 YEAR OLDS
MON, WED & THURS 09:00-12:00



NEW HEIGHTS 12-14 YEAR OLD
MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 13:00-16:00



JNL WORKOUTS 11-14 YEAR OLD
TUESDAY & THURSDAY 13:00-16:00



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