# Headteacher's Message

On Monday evening whilst the green fingered gardeners revived the allotment and the Whitehouse family were busy constructing the shed, our football team were also in action being given a footballing lesson by Clapgate Primary on the field. I watched as a proud headteacher, I'll share why.

It brought back memories I have of playing for my school football team at their age. I played for a very successful school team who routinely reached finals and often racked up big scores. But in our final middle school year, we suddenly started losing. One particular game we played Nab Wood and took an absolute beating. They were bigger, stronger, quicker, better. At the time we blamed the ref, our coach, the pitch, anything. We struggled with the fact that we weren't the best anymore and other teams had simply grown up quicker than we had. We reacted in entirely the wrong way.

However, the Highfield 2025 team were better than that. They never gave up. They never let their heads drop. They simply retrieved the ball from the back of the net and went again. And again. No arguing, just encouragement. No hiding, just determination. That's why I believe four days later, they won. A great example to follow and I am very proud of them.

Enjoy your weekend and thank you for your support.

Mr Feeley

# News & Updates

## Celebration Assembly

Congratulations and a huge well done to the children in Key Stage Two 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:

3FL - Alexandra, Aman, Archie, Louis

3T - Akaal, Elspeth, Evie, Ian

5E - Jack, Jadon, Jenna, Sam

5L - Joe, Layla, Melorin, Raajveer

6BH - Abigail, Ata, Louie, Tania





#### Team Whitehouse show their skills!

Alexander in Year 5 and his dad put their combined skills to great use to build one of our new sheds this week. We have invested in the sheds to store the new playground equipment all of which have been funded by The Friends of Highfield and your support. A massive thank you to Mr Whitehouse for giving up his time to help us and Alexander for lending a hand!



Safeguarding. For child protection concerns you can contact any of our Designated Child Protection Officers: Mr Feeley, Mrs Dalgliesh, 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. you are worried that a child is at risk of harm please contact Leeds Children's Social Work Services on 0113 222 4403.

### Ground Force in action



Many thanks to the working party who helped renovate and refresh the allotment area after school on Monday. The area is now free of weeds, dug over, composted and ready for the growing season. Your help and support is very much appreciated, a special thank you to Becca McClure parent from 1W - who through her company North Sky Yurts has sponsored the allotment £50. A thank you also to Mr Busch who Mrs Busch managed to rope in to helping and transporting all the compost!





#### Football success



#### We won!

A terrific result for our football team this week as we travelled to Carr Manor Community School for a league fixture. We played some lovely passing football and showed a terrific, determined performance that resulted in an impressive 0-2 win. It's hard to pick out individuals in such a great team performance, but our opening goal from Ellis Purser definitely warrants a mention. Well done team Highfield!

# Dates for your Diary!

- Mon 17<sup>th</sup> March: 5E Northern Ballet performance. Book fair in small hall
- Tues 18th March: 5L Northern Ballet performance. Collaborative Art Day 1
- Weds 19th March: Collaborative Art Day 2. Reception Film Night
- Fri 21st March: Year 6 football match v St Urbans

#### Mind Assembly

In our assembly this morning, Gemma from Leeds Mind came to speak to us about the important work that the charity does in the community. Leeds Mind is a charity chosen by our school council to support this year. Gemma was given a cheque for an amazing £817! which raised by pupils taking part in a sponsored Junior Parkrun. Well done everyone!

Telephone: 0113 2930155



If you or somebody you know is going through a difficult time or is struggling with how you or they are feeling, it can be really scary and upsetting. Mind understand mental health and wellbeing and you can find more support on their website:

https://www.mind.org.uk/



Highfield Signposting



# AGI

Scan the QR Code for pricing & bookings



- Lots of Games, sports, crafts, activities and FUN!!!
- Delivered by minimum level 2 sports coaches
  - Slip n Slide on Wednesday (weather dependent)
- Staff trained in First Aid and Safeguarding

## DATES

27th - 30th May 2025

TIME

8:00am-5:30pm







