



Highfield Newsletter



Headteacher's Message

This week, we are incredibly proud of our Year 6 children who sat their SATs with composure, resilience and determination. Each day our children came in to school as Highfielders do every day, with a calm focus and a sense of purpose. They tackled each paper with quiet confidence and gave their absolute best — qualities that go far beyond any test score. One of my favourite sporting clichés is 'The scoreboard takes care of itself'; in other words, obsessing on the results won't improve them, but focusing on preparing well through effort will. That's exactly what our children have done. To thank the children and parents, our Year 6 team have penned a message to them later in this newsletter.

We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our dedicated governors, who gave their time to support both staff and pupils by invigilating throughout the week. Their presence and encouragement made a real difference, helping to create a calm and reassuring environment for our children to thrive.

Educational research has repeatedly shown that those in the youngest year groups at the time of the COVID pandemic were among the most adversely affected. Unlike older pupils, many of these children were still in the crucial stages of developing early reading and foundational skills when their learning was disrupted. The challenges they have faced — and overcome — cannot be overstated. That's why our pride in them runs so deep. These pupils have not only caught up, but have gone from strength to strength, showing what is possible with the right support, determination and belief in their own potential. This week has been a powerful reminder of how far they've come — and of the bright futures ahead of them.

Enjoy the weekend and thank you for your support.

Mr Feeley

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>. If you are worried that a child is at risk of harm please contact Leeds Children's Social Work Services on 0113 222 4403.

News & Updates

A Mile for MND



Miles, Joe and Louis completed the MND Miles on Saturday to support the MND cause. They had such a great time, they ran a great mile and met the legend, Kevin Sinfield! The MND Mile was held ahead of the Rob Burrow Leeds Marathon hosted at the Headingley Campus of Leeds Beckett University.

Full school colours award

Congratulations to former pupil Toby who has been awarded his high school full school colours. Toby received the award for his commitment to drama which recognises outstanding achievement, commitment and setting an example. Well done Toby, we're all proud of you!



School Fair Prizes

Year 5 have been back at working to earn prizes for our summer fair in July! They have been writing to local businesses asking for their support and outlining how important the funds we earn are for school. The prizes have already started coming in!



LaserZone have sent us two free vouchers for mini-missions to use at any time.



David Lloyd have sent us two family day passes for us to enjoy the facilities at David Lloyd.

Thank you to both LaserZone and David Lloyd for their generous sponsorship. It is much appreciated.

Dates for your Diary!

- **Tues 20th May:** Year 6 trip. Teaching & Learning Governors Committee
- **Weds 21st May:** Reception Assembly
- **Thurs 22nd May:** Year 5 trip. Year 4 Guest Visitor

A Special Message for our Wonderful Year Six Pupils and their Parents and Carers

Year Six, we asked you to stay calm, put in as much effort as you could muster and give your SATS tests this week your absolute everything. Did you step up and respond? YES! Thank you for everything you have done this week. We were proud of you before the first test- SPAG and Spelling!! Remember that?- and we remain immensely proud of you now. These photos capture the moments after the final test on Thursday. A huge thank you must go also to our parents and carers, who, I imagine went through some of the stresses and strains with you this week and in the build up. Thank you for getting our pupils ready.

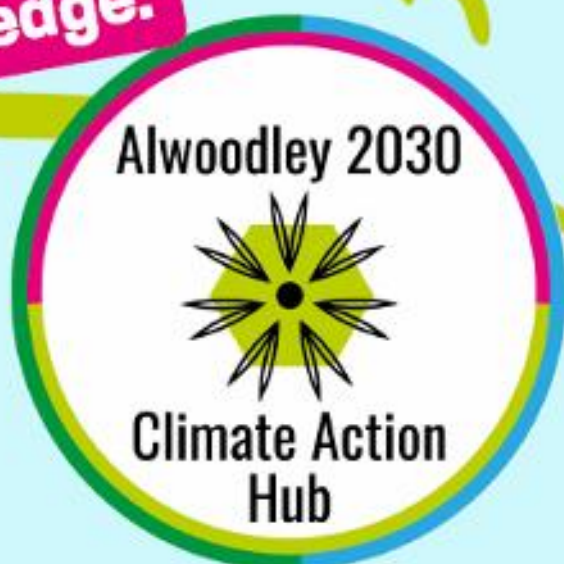


Alwoodley Community-Wide Walk to School Week

19th- 23rd May



Make and Keep the Pledge.
Earn a Badge!





HIGHFIELD PRIMARY ACTIVE CAMP

Scan the QR Code
for pricing &
bookings



CAMP INCLUDES

- ✓ 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