



# HIGHLEY SCHOOL BULLETIN

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1st May- RSE Consultations
- 6th May - Bank Holiday
- 13th - 17th May - Y6 SATs Week
- 23rd May Year 1 & 2 Safari Park Trip
- 27th - 31st May - Half Term
- 3rd June - PD Day School Closed
- 4th June - Back To School
- 7th June - Sports Day
- 21st June - Highley's Got Talent Final
- 24th June - Reception Intake Visit 1
- 1st July - Reception Intake Visit 2

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

- Tuesday Lunch - Choir
- Friday - Gardening Club

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

W/C 15th April  
Week 2 Menu

## SOCIAL MEDIA

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Instagram @highleyschool  
[School App](#)

## 12TH APRIL 2024

## MESSAGE FROM MR PLIM

Dear Parents and Carers,

The constant rain that we have been experiencing of late paused yesterday, replaced by sunshine and barmy temperatures. One child said to me "doesn't it feel like a summer's day Mr Plim?" and I had to agree, it certainly did. It was lovely to see how many classes took their learning outside yesterday, whether they were finishing their Design & Technology projects, starting a piece of art-work or just enjoying PE. Fingers crossed it is a sign of things to come. Our attendance this week has also been fantastic - over 96% every day and because of this, we had a whole-school extended play-time this morning!

We took a group of 10 netball players to Idsall Secondary School this week. Having not played together before, we were delighted that the team were awarded the 'determination' award for their efforts. Miss Jones, who took them, said that they were an absolute pleasure to take off-site and represented Highley School superbly!  
Well done all!

We have changed the date of our annual RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) consultation for parents to Wednesday 1st May at 2pm. This is an opportunity to drop into school before collecting children, to have a chat with staff, look at the materials/resources we use in all year groups, and ask any questions you may have.

Also on the horizon are Year 6 SATS assessments. As these assessments test children's knowledge of the whole Key Stage 2 curriculum, our Year 6s are currently very focused on preparing for them - covering an incredible number of concepts to make sure they are as prepared as possible! As ever, we will support and help the pupils, to have confidence and just do their best. For our Year 6s, the end of the Key Stage Assessments represents the start of their transition and the many exciting opportunities that go with that, from Crucial Crew to secondary transition, and also enjoying their last weeks at Highley to celebrate their time at the school as well as next steps.

Mrs Butler has asked me to include a reminder about our upcoming 'Aspirations Week' starting Monday 20th May.

As part of this, we are still looking for parents/carers who would be willing to talk about their job in a short video, which they need to send into school. The film should be no more than 5 mins or less, and should include content about: (1) what your job is and where you work (2) what sort of things you do in your job (3) what are the best bits about your job and (4) what qualifications/experience do you need for your job. All videos need to be in school by the 10th May so that we can stitch them together!

Attached to the bulletin are notes from this week's Parent Council - we discussed an update on behaviour and rewards, OPAL playtimes and ideas for engaging activities to get parents more involved in school.

Finally, we are aware that there is a plan to close the Shropshire School Library Service from September. We rely on this service heavily for our topic books, artefacts and guided reading books. More information can be found [here](#) - we would welcome parent views around this so that we can make a school response during the consultation.

Have a lovely weekend, Mr Plim

## TTRS ROCK HEROES



Lola-Rose



Miles



Iris





# Attendance



## Punctuality Rewards – Summer 2024

Class	8th April	15th April	22nd April	29th April	6th May	13th May	20th May	3rd June	10th June	17th June	24th June	1st July	8th July	15th July	Term	Year
CLEE	■															
MINERS																
ARLEY																
NETHERTON	■															
STATION																
HAZELWELLS																
IRONBRIDGE																
SEVERN	■															
HITCHENS																
WREKIN																
WHOLE SCHOOL																

- 1 week on time arrival Well Done!
- 2 weeks on time arrival 15 Minutes Extra Play!
- 4 weeks on time arrival Golden Time!
- 1 week on time arrival Non-Uniform Day! (Whole School only)

Well done to Clee & Netherton for earning Golden Time!



Arley had 100% attendance this week!!



Whole school attendance 96.8% this week – amazing!

## Attendance Overview – Summer 2024

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Clee	98.96%															
Miners	99.04%															
Arley	100%															
Netherton	95.83%															
Station	97.73%															
Hazelwells	98.78%															
Ironbridge	99.40%															
Severn	98.44%															
Hitchens	95%															
Wrekin	96.67%															
Whole School	96.80%															

- 96% or above On Target – well done!
- 95.99% – 90.00% Under Target – room for improvement
- 90% or below Persistent Absence – concerning



Unfortunately, one of our Police 'don't park here' signs has been damaged beyond repair, ironically by a car driving over it. These were funded by the PTA and help to keep the roads and pathways around school safe for those travelling by foot. If anybody saw anything or knows anything, please could you make contact with the school office.

# Stars of the Week

Clee

Miners

The star in Clee class this week is Wynter. She has been wowing us with her maths, joining in enthusiastically during lessons and demonstrating a good grasp of odd and even numbers and doubles to 10. Well done Wynter, keep it up!

Darcy is Miners star this week, for the wonderful little person she is. We have noticed how brilliantly she demonstrates our school value of relationships within class and around the school. She has such a caring attitude towards others and is always there to offer a kind word or gentle back rub for anyone who needs it. She works really well with others too and can always offer some positive encouragement within a group. Well done Darcy, keep on being you!

Arley

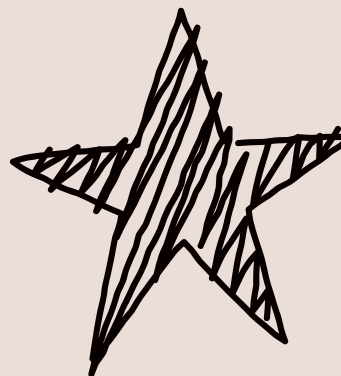
The star of the week for Arley Class is Poppie! She has been trying so hard with her writing and has made great progress this term. Her handwriting is always neat and she is using great punctuation in her work. Poppie wrote a great diary about the Great Fire of London, with lots of adjectives and great language. Well done Poppie!

Netherton

Rocco is the star in Netherton. He has come back with a fantastic positive attitude to learning to start the Summer Term off! He has impressed us with how quickly he has picked up fractions in Maths! He has also worked super hard on his writing and has taken on all the feedback given to him and working hard to meet his writing targets! You are also a kind, friendly and positive member of Netherton Class who is a role model for positive and caring behaviour towards your friends! Keep being a star Rocco!

Station

Station's star of the week is Arthur. Arthur, this week you have been recognised for showing resilience when finishing our DT project on light boxes and for having a very kind and calm way of helping your classmates when they were struggling. You are a great team member, a lovely friend to everyone and build fantastic relationships. Well done, Arthur! I'm sure lots of people were grateful for your help.





# Stars of the Week

## Hazelwells

Harriet has started the new term in a very positive way. She is showing how resilient she can be by trying hard with all her tasks. We are particularly pleased with the way she is working in maths, where she's been using her times tables knowledge to find factors.

She also impressed us with her super reading and the understanding of the texts she's using. What a great beginning to the summer term; keep it up Harriet!

## Ironbridge

Ben is our star in Ironbridge this week! He has been working hard to follow instructions, always contributing in class discussions and being a ray of sunshine in school. Well done Ben!

## Severn

Star of the week in Severn is Stevie for really working hard in everything, particularly joining her handwriting! She is such a fantastic friend in class, TA to Mrs Curtis and always ready to help any member of staff who asks. Well done Stevie, you are already ready for secondary school!

## Hitchens

Scarlet is our star in Hitchens this week. We have all noticed how she has been working really hard to master all of those tricky Maths and English concepts for her upcoming SATs tests. In addition to this, she is smily, polite and kind. Well done Scarlet!

## Wrekin

Our star in Wrekin this week is George for his growing maturity which is reflecting in his work and behaviour. He is more focused in class and is making good progress in his reading - developing his fluency and ability to challenge himself with unfamiliar words. Keep it up, George!

