

# THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE 95.64%

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

IOth November - Y3 & Y4 Country Park Trip

IO<sup>th</sup> - I4<sup>th</sup> November - Anti-Bullying Week

IO<sup>th</sup> - I4<sup>th</sup> November - Bikeability Training (Y6 Only)

II<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Day

II<sup>th</sup> November - Reception & KSI Cinema Trip

I3th November - Drumming Performance

I4th November - Non School Uniform Day

I4<sup>th</sup> November - Children In Need Fundraiser

I7<sup>th</sup> - 2I<sup>st</sup> November - DT Week

I4th November - Y5 Tile Museum Trip - Info To Follow

2lst November - Y3 & Y4 Stoneage Workshop

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

KS2 Dodgeball I2th Nov - 17<sup>th</sup> Dec

## **SCHOOL LUNCHES**

W/C IO<sup>th</sup> November

Week 2 Menu

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#### 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025 MESSAGE FROM MR PLIM

Dear Parents and Carers,

I trust everybody enjoyed the half term break and hopefully an extra lie in on Sunday with the clocks going back! We are straight back into the thick of it this week with so much happening and next week is just as busy as we start to hurtle through the build-up to all of the activities that Christmas brings.

On Wednesday, our Year 6 children visited the University of Worcester - this is now an annual 'fixture' in our curriculum calendar; our children represented Highley superbly! This is such a valuable opportunity to look at different careers they might be interested in and the routes needed to get there. The children yesterday were AMAZED by the size of the campus! They had a tour, met with some student ambassadors (who talked to them about degrees and student life), and they visited the student union and 'The Hive' - the country's only community-based library open to both students and the public.

We want to continue taking children on trips and organising workshops – they are valuable experiences that enhance our curriculum. However, they are enormously expensive – coach travel alone costs hundreds of pounds. Our wonderful PTA contribute so that what we ask for from you as parents is subsidised, but when only 8 parents in the year group contribute, it is extremely difficult to ensure a trip is viable.

This weekend is the Remembrance Day service at St Marys Church, Highley – always a poignant event where the community comes together and many of our children are involved, from School Council to Brownies, Guides and Rainbows, but also Highley Miners Welfare FC. The procession will start from the Severn Centre at 10:30am, reaching the War Memorial in the church grounds at 10:45am. It is always humbling to look around during the service and see many of our children and families represented.

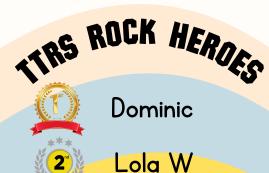
Next week is National Anti-Bullying Week, with the theme of the 'Power of Good'. After a launch assembly on Monday, children will be working through a 'kindness bingo' activity during the week and working as a class to create a Superhero poster along the lines of the main theme. On Friday afternoon, classes will be finishing the week looking at the question of: 'What makes a good friend?'

Also on Friday, you might be aware that it is not only non-uniform in exchange for a donation for the Christmas Fayre, but it also happens to be Children in Need. We will be selling Pudsey biscuits for £l each during the day and invite the children to bring in any loose change, especially coppers as we are going to have a go at seeing how far around our Daily Mile track we can make a line of coins.

Thank you to the 2 parents who came along to the Parent Council meeting where we discussed lots of different aspects of school, we will be organising another opportunity to come in and discuss school issues soon (hopefully with more of you taking up the opportunity to come in!).

Next week is cycling proficiency training for Year 6 (17 children have signed up to take part), and on Monday, Year 3&4 are visiting the Country Park for rocks & soils workshops. Then on Tuesday Reception and Year I have their annual trip to the cinema. A gentle reminder to about sending in a pair of wellies to stay at school and live in our new welly storage!

Have a great weekend, Mr Plim













Ava is the star of the week in Clee class for fantastic focus in phonics lessons. You are now remembering your sounds and beginning to blend to make words. Well done for practising at home. Keep it up!

Arley

The star of the week for Arley Class is Lilith! It has been amazing to watch how much she is growing in confidence since the start of the year. Her hand is always up contributing her ideas, especially in Science! She is becoming a curious Scientist, always noticing changes around her in the environment and showing a great understanding of why these changes happen.

Fabulous work, Lilith!

Palion

Station's star of the week is Arwen. Arwen is such a ray of positivity in our class and approaches everything with a 'can-do' attitude. She listens well to instructions and is always ready to learn. Arwen has particularly impressed us recently with her reading. She is making fantastic progress in this thanks to all of her hard work. Well done and keep it up, Arwen!

Georgia is Miner's Star of the Week!

She's a delightful member of our class – kind,
helpful, and always eager to take part in class
discussions.

Georgia is also making fantastic progress with her blending skills.

Keep it up, Georgia!

Netherton

Gracie is this week's star in Netherton, and it's so well deserved! She is always so helpful and thoughtful, eager to do jobs around the classroom whenever she can. Gracie is also a wonderful friend to everyone in the class, and her kind nature makes her a joy to be around. Well done, Gracie – we're so proud of you!

Attendance Bear





Mia is our star in Hazelwells class this week! Mia can ALWAYS be trusted to be doing exactly what is expected of her and more! She is hardworking, listens well and is always ready to learn! Keep it up, Mia!

Cevern

Star in Severn this week is Jacob for having such a great attitude to learning and really showing us what you can do! Jacob has progressed in his reading, joined in with several large pieces of writing and was part of a team of engineers that built that Saturn V rocket from scratch! Well done Jacob, what an amazing week!

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Sidney has shown fantastic manners by being polite and respectful. He is focused and hardworking in all his tasks, displaying a real curiosity and eagerness to learn. Sidney makes great contributions during lessons and is a kind and supportive friend to others. Well done, Sidney!

We are lucky enough to be needing two Star Of The Week certificates this week in Ironbridge! Kayla is our Star of the week. This is because she continues to show endless kindness to others, works hard in all she does and consistently shows excellent resilience when facing anything tricky. She is a fantastic role model and should be very proud of herself.

Sydney is also our star of the week! He deserves some recognition for his consistent hard work, excellent focus in class, his sensible attitude to everything and for always being kind and helpful. Syd also has impeccable manners whenever he is communicating with adults as well as his friends. Congratulations Syd, keep being you.

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Wrekin star of the week is Grace. Since September, Grace has demonstrated what a mature and responsible member of Wrekin she is! She is a good friend to all and has a kind and caring attitude when helping out with the little ones. She is also a conscientious worker and always tries her hardest – diligently applying the feedback she is given. Grace deserves the successful year we anticipate she will have! Well done Grace!

