



Monthly Newsletter

30 June 2023

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The last day of school this term will be Friday 21 July 2023.

The children will return to school Tuesday 5 September 2023.

Monday 4 September 2023 is an Inset Day.

SATS TESTS

We would like to say well done to all the children who have worked so hard over the last month doing SATS tests.

We are so proud of you all.

CHICKEN POX

We have recently had a case of chicken pox in school. We would like to remind you that children should stay off school until all blisters have crusted over.

Pregnant women who have not had chicken pox should contact their doctor.

ATTENDANCE FROM 1 May 2023 to 31 May 2023



Mrs Wood's Class 95.4%



Mrs Jones' Class 95.3%



Mrs Allsop's Class 95.2%

The whole school attendance from 2 September 2022 to 31 May 2023 is 92.8%. Persistent absence is classed as under 90% attendance. As a school we are aiming for at least 96%.

WRAPAROUND CARE

The self booking system for the Wraparound Club started at the end of April, but unfortunately we are still having children arriving without being booked in.

From Monday 3 July 2023 no one will be allowed to use the Breakfast or After School Club without being booked in.

If you have any problems at all with the booking procedure please call into the school office or contact ParentPay.

Thank you.



DRIVING ISSUES

CONSIDERATE PARKING

Unfortunately, we have again been receiving complaints from our neighbors on Highfield View, near the bungalows, about inconsiderate parking.

Could you please take care not to block any of the driveways or entrances as some of the residents have disabilities and need access to their homes.

If you use a taxi to drop off or collect your children could you please ensure that they also follow these instructions.

Thank you.



PARKING IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

Please be aware that no one is permitted to enter the school grounds in a vehicle without a parking permit. People who do have a permit, could you please drive with care and keep to the 5 mile per hour speed limit.

More information about parking and entering the school site will be sent out in September.



PARENTPAY

Please check your ParentPay account and make sure all debts are cleared by the end of the academic year.

If your child has a school dinner or uses the lunch time stay session at Nursery, please ensure the money charged is paid during the week that the service is used.

If you are having any problems meeting these payments please contact the school office.

Thank you.



CONGRATULATIONS

Fern in Miss Abbott's class has achieved her Blue Peter music award.

She has earned this by starting to learn the ukulele in class.

Well done Fern.

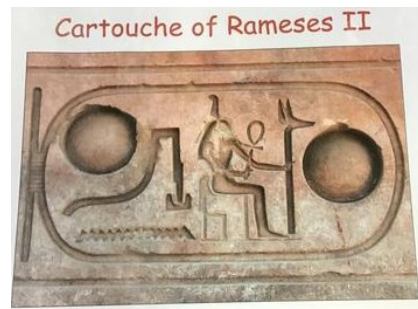


EGYPTIAN DAY

On Friday 23 June 2023, the Year 3 children took part in an immersive Egyptian day. They followed the journey of Henry Salt as he explored Egypt, to uncover clues about its ancient past.

During the day the children wrote their names in hieroglyphics, looked at ancient tools, played Ancient Egypt games, made scarab beetles, learned about mummification and produced a dance to represent Ancient Egypt times.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable day, made even better by the children's costumes and enthusiasm for the topic.





HIGHFIELD HALL SUMMERFEST 2023

Friday 14th July 2023

2.30PM - 6PM

INFLATABLES | FOOD VANS | ICE CREAM
VAN | BEER TENT | DOUGHNUT & SWEET
STALLS | TOMBOLA | GLITTER TATOOS |
MUSIC AND MORE

Volunteers and stall holders needed.
Please let us know via the online forms link

All welcome!



NON UNIFORM DAY PLEASE BRING A BOTTLE! MONDAY 10TH JULY

Please send donations of wine, beer, soft drinks, toiletries or other bottled, unopened goods for a Bottle Tombola in place of the usual monetary donation for non-uniform. Collections will be taken at the table tennis table on the main playground. The Bottle Tombola will be taking place at the Summerfest on Friday 14th July :-)



♻️ If you are having a sort out of uniform, we are accepting donations of clean uniform of all sizes for our pre-loved uniform stand. Please drop any donations off at the main school office before Thursday 6th July. Thank you ♻️



HIGHFIELD HALL ADULT BOOK SWAP

Please bring books to donate to the book swap to school on the morning of Monday 3rd July 2023. The books will be set up before the end of the day for adults to browse for a new book/books to take home to enjoy. You don't have to bring a book to be able to take one away. Everyone is welcome to participate in which ever way they are able to.



Happy reading.



Dear Parents and Carers of Children at Highfield Hall,

You are invited to attend **a free session about how to support your child to be happy and healthy, focussing on getting a good night's sleep.** This session will be led by Compass Changing Lives who are the new mental health support team working very closely with our school.

Sleep is an essential part of everyone's routine and is a key element of a healthy lifestyle. Studies show that children who get a good amount of sleep at night have improved attention, behaviour, learning, memory and physical and mental health.

This free session is designed to give tips and tricks to support children in achieving a good nights sleep. There will also be the chance to ask questions at the end.

Where: Highfield Hall Primary School (in the school hall)

When: **Thursday 13th July at 2.15pm**

The session will be followed by **the opportunity to stop to speak to counsellors and support workers from Compass Changing Lives, Mrs Webster (School Mental Health Co-ordinator) and Mrs Shelbourne (Attendance Officer).**

If you have any questions please email me at webster@highfieldhall.derbyshire.sch.uk and I will be more than happy to help.

Everyone is welcome and I hope to see you there,

Mrs Webster