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Highfields Primary Academy

NEWSLETTER

Friday 4th February 2022

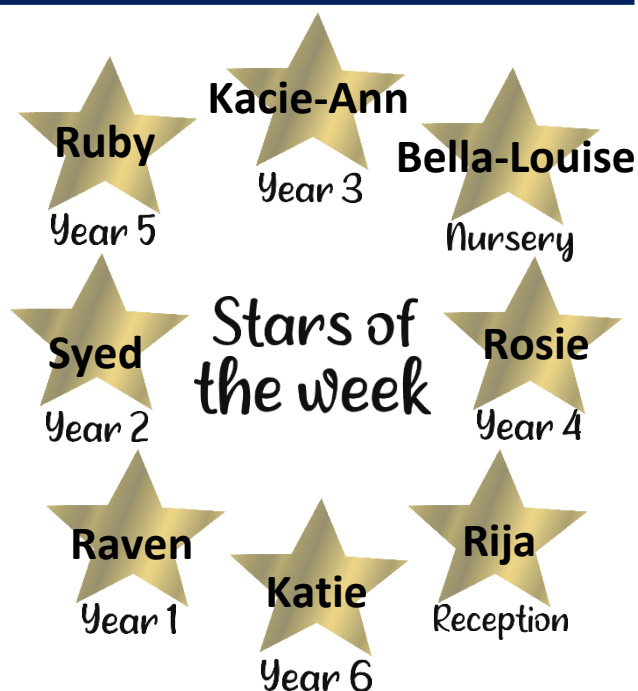
Number Day

What a fantastic day it's been today! The academy has been alive with maths! Year 1 have been perfecting their number bonds to 100 and Year 2 have been accumulating hundreds of points in their very first day on TTRS. Year 3/4 have been using their excellent number sense to challenge one another in a variety of fantastic number games. Year 5 have been learning maths related songs with Mr Lancashire on the guitar and Year 6 have been practicing accurate measuring and angles through art by creating curves of pursuit.

It has been great to see so many wonderful number themed outfits or children dressed as their TTRS avatar.



Mr Williams



Attendance

Rainbow Fish



Stormbreakers

Pirates Next Door (Y2)



| Class | Week % | Year % |
|------------------------|--------|--------|
| Rainbow Fish | 96.6% | 95% |
| Pirates Next Door (Y1) | 78.0% | 91% |
| Pirates Next Door (Y2) | 91.2% | 94% |
| Butterfly Lions | 84.2% | 94% |
| Stormbreakers | 99.0% | 96% |
| Explorers | 88.2% | 95% |
| Whole School | 90.4% | 95% |

Reminders

- **PE:** PE is held every **Monday** and every **Thursday**. Children need to bring their PE kits to school in order for them to get changed before and after the lesson.
- **Book Bags:** Children must bring their book bags along with their reading diary and staged reading book to school **every day**.
- **Reading:** We ask that all children read **at least three times** to an adult at home. Please can you ensure that you record the date, title of

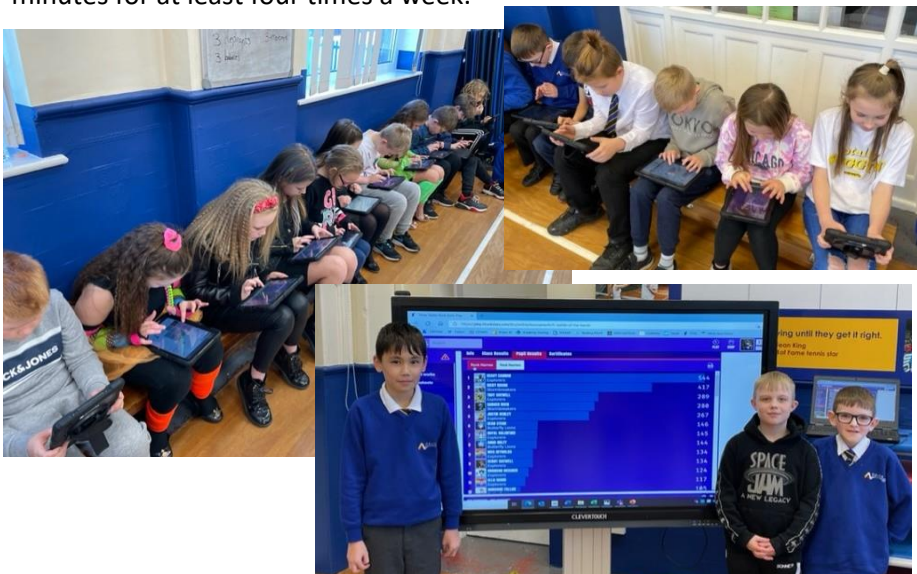
the book and the pages read to and from in your child's reading diary once you have heard them read.

Rockstar Battle

As part of our Number and TTRS Day the children in Key Stage 2 took part in a Rockstar Times Table Battle. Butterfly Lions, Stormbreakers and The Explorers battled against one another until an ultimate champion was crowned!



There were some amazing skills on show throughout the tournament this afternoon. It's clear that everyone has been practicing really hard on Times Table Rockstars (TTRS) to learn their multiplication facts. TTRS is an incredibly important tool for children to practice their times tables. By embedding their recall of multiplication and division facts, children are able to tackle a wealth of different mathematical concepts with much greater ease. We advise that as part of their home-learning children should access TTRS for at least 10 minutes for at least four times a week.



Diary Dates

8th February – Safer Internet Day

11th February – Break up for half term

21st February – School reopens to all pupils

22nd – 23rd February – Parents' Evenings

1st March – Crucial Crew Visit

3rd March – World Book Day

10th March – Northern Ballet Workshop (Year 3-6)

March 31st - April 1st – Bikeability (Year 6)

SCAN HERE

Scan here for some Covid-19 reminders as well as some suggestions for parents/carers to continue to minimise the spread of Covid-19.



Tremendous Tweeting

Have you visited our Twitter recently? All classes across the academy regularly post pictures and videos to our Twitter feed. We like to use Twitter as a way to celebrate the wonderful and exciting things that our classes do.

This week, Year 5 posted a video of their shared reading of the class text: *Who Let the Gods Out*. The author of the book, Maz Evans, saw our tweet and retweeted us commenting, 'You little stars...just brilliant'.

Visit Twitter and take a look at our feed at @DeltaHighfields for up-to-date news from around the academy. Why not follow us to make sure that you see things as soon as they're posted!

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