

...Changing lives

Highfields

Primary Academy

NEWSLETTER

Friday 23rd September 2022

Learning something new!

In recent years, the children of Key Stage 2 have learnt to play the Ukulele. This year, we decided that we would like to develop our musical talents by learning to play two new instruments: one from the woodwind family, the flute, and one from the string family, the violin.

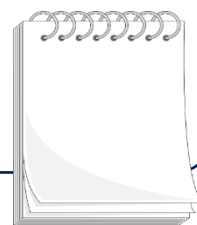
Children in Years 3-5, with the tuition of the Doncaster Music Service, have begun to learn how to play these two instruments with the hope that by Christmas they will be able to perform to the rest of the academy.



Reminders

PE: Children need to bring their PE kits to school on **Monday** in order for them to get changed before and after the lesson which may take place on any day of the week.

Book Bags: Children must bring their book bags along with their reading diary and staged reading book to school **every day**.



Attendance

Antarctica



Class	Week %	Year %
Asia	91.1%	94.0%
Australasia	94.0%	95.1%
AFRICA	98.9%	97.3%
North America	94.7%	96.9%
Antarctica	99.4%	98.6%
Whole School	95.8%	96.5%

Blood-Pumping Science

Antarctica Class have been continuing with their first Year 6 science topic: Animals, including Humans, this week by exploring the fascinating circulatory system. To examine and demonstrate the workings of this vital system of the human body they conducted an experiment to recreate how the heart pumps blood around our bodies!



My Child at School App

It's has been great to see so many parents and carers access the **My Child at School**. We are intending to fully utilise all the features of the app including dinner payments, updated diary dates, announcements, behaviour updates, parents' evening appointments and parent to school messaging in order to further improve communication links between parents and school. For those parents/carers that have not yet accessed the app, it can be downloaded onto any Apple and Android device simply searching for 'My Child at School' in the App Store. Scan the QR code to the right or click [here](#), to access a step-by-step guide to downloading and using the app for the first time.

All parents/carers should have now received a unique code for them to log into their app and to access their child's account. If you have not received this or would like further help accessing the app please don't hesitate to contact the school office or to speak with one of the academy team, on the playground.



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Diary Dates

Monday 26th September – European Day of Languages

Monday 3rd October – Start of Black History Month

Wednesday 5th October - School Parliament Elections

Thursday 6th October – National Poetry Day

Friday 7th October – FoHPA Coffee Morning

Monday 17th October – Halloween Disco

Wednesday 19th October – Friday

21st October – Year 6 Residential

Friday 21st October – School Closes for Half Term

Monday 31st October – Training Day

Tuesday 1st November – School Reopens

Wednesday 2nd & 3rd November – Parents' Evening

Thursday 3rd November – Outside Classroom Day

Wednesday 9th November – Flu Vaccinations (Reception to Year 6)

Friday 11th November – Remembrance Day

Monday 14th-Friday 19th November – Road Safety Week

New Faces

You may have noticed some new faces around the academy. We'd like to give a big Highfields welcome to three new members of the team: Mrs. Bradford (our new Nursery Nurse and EYFS Teaching Assistant) and Miss Pilmoor and Miss Greaves (our two new Lunchtime Supervisors).

