



Alsager Highfields Primary School

Mighty oaks from small acorns grow

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Friday 8th December 2023

*Merry
Christmas*

Dear Parents & Carers,

Christmas is one of my favourite times in the school calendar as the school is filled with music, tights and tinsel! Our infant children had the dress rehearsal of their nativity today and they certainly wowed our Key Stage 2 pupils. I am really looking forward to watching this in its entirety next week. A reminder that the performances start at 9.15 and parents will be allowed in to the hall from 9.00am.

Next week is a busy one with Pantomimes, productions, theatre visits and discos, but we are always mindful that many children find the lack of routine tricky to navigate, especially around Christmas time. To reassure parents of those pupils who find change particularly challenging, other than these events, the school day will continue in the usual routine.

Many thanks to the parents who have taken the time to complete the parent/carer survey. If you are yet to fill it in, there is still time so please do complete this short survey so that your thoughts and views can be heard.

www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/AlsagerHighfieldsParentSurvey2023

Finally, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year and thank you for your continued support.

Rachel Woollam



Christmas Fair

Thank you to all who came and supported our Christmas Fair and to those who baked, gave of their time or donated items.

As a school we have always been clear that any PFA event is primarily for our children to enjoy, with the summer and Christmas fairs aimed at bringing us together as a community.

That said, we managed to raise an incredible £956 and a huge thank you to our PFA stalwarts who ensured the event was a huge success. Not for the first time, Mrs Nowak, our joint PFA chair, took a day off work to organise 'the troops' and I feel very lucky to have such an amazing group of parents who are willing to give of their time for the benefit of Highfield pupils.

A fund raising thermometer will hopefully appear in the new year to show us how close we are to achieving our 'Daily Mile track.'

Christmas Quizzing

A reminder that children will be able to take quizzes on books read over the Christmas period, thus adding to their word count.

We currently have 4 word millionaires and any child achieving milestone word counts, as well as millionaire status will be rewarded in the new year.



Goodbye Miss Fisher

One of the best parts of my job is developing staff and allowing them to flourish and achieve their dreams and ambitions. The hardest part is letting them go when they are ready!

Miss Fisher has been a huge part of Highfields for just over a year and is a firm favourite with all she works with. However, an opportunity has arisen for her to work in Australia for an extended period of time, which means she will be leaving us at the end of term. She has promised to send postcards and 'Facetime' (if the time difference allows), so we can follow her journey whilst fulfilling our geography curriculum! We wish her the very best of luck.



Lucky Bag Winners

Well done to Archie, Emily, Evie, Erin, Louie, Ava and Effie G for designing and executing a fabulous 'lucky bag' for our Christmas Fair. They were all worthy winners. Thanks also to Mrs Flood who had the unenviable task of selecting the winners.



Fundraising

We have been lucky enough to be selected for the 'Tesco Stronger Starts' funding, which allows shoppers to vote for our school when shopping. We have received £900 so far and could potentially match or even exceed this figure during the next round. This money has been earmarked to help us improve our outdoor area for reception pupils at the annexe building and we would desperately love to complete this project within the academic year.



If you or your friends and family do shop at Tesco, please encourage them to put their token in the Alsager Highfields box. You can vote for Highfields in the following stores:

High Street Sandyford ST6 5EL
Kidsgrove ST7 1DX
Audley Stoke ST7 8EE
Fegg Hayes ST6 6SH

New Books



The pile of books behind Oliver, is what we bought with the incredible funds he raised by completing in a 'fun run.' Thanks to Oliver, we now have 3 copies of the Dog Man series as well more Tom Gates books and 'Solve Your Own Mystery' books. These books will be circulated in the library once they have been stamped, levelled and covered in a jacket by our able librarians.

If there are any series or types of books that your child enjoys and we haven't got in our library, please do let us know so that we can add it to our purchase list. We are about to get more 'Bad Guys' books as well as more graphic novels.

Bronze award roll call...

Congratulations to:

R—Rowan F-H, Edward K-A, Thomas B,
Bell-Rose T, Emilia C, Amelia B and Zackery H

Y1—Finn M, Jasper P, Arthur B, William H, Isaac A
and Leo R

Y2—Shalom A, Amelie R and
Willow D

Y3—Frankie G, Clara L, Bonnie
G, Tahlia G

Y6—Phoebe S,

Silver Award—wow! Huge congratulations to:

Y1—Louie B and Indiana G

Y3— Reginald D and George H

Y6—Elise C

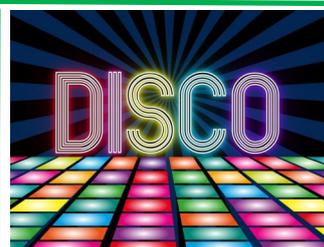
Gold Award—already in the year !!

Well done to Jenson C in Y3 for achieving his gold award for giving 100% in every lesson in every subject.

Word Millionaire

Huge congratulations to

Cameron McKeown who made word millionaire last week. This takes our running total to 4 this year so far.



Alsager Highfields Christmas Disco

Thursday 14th December
R, Yr 1-3 - 5.45pm - 6.45pm
Years 4-6 - 7pm - 8pm

£2 ENTRY

TUCK SHOP - TATTOOS - FACE PAINTS -
HAIR FEATHERS
INDIVIDUALLY PRICED

2024 NEW YEAR HOLIDAY CLUBS

09:00-15:30 (Half-Day options available)
FREE Wrap-Around care for all children
08:00-09:00 & 15:30-17:00

Come and join us for some sports, games and activities from January 02 - 05. Our action-packed program gives children the chance to remain active, develop skills and make new friends within a safe and secure program.

We are inclusive!
We value the importance of accommodating children who have come to us from different backgrounds. We aim to provide an environment where everyone is challenged and given an enjoyable experience.

Search for your venue: asmsports.co.uk

Children eligible for Free School Meals can access up to 4 days of Funded Places, including a daily lunch.

From **£10.00** per day

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