

Highfields Primary School News

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Dates and times for events for school week commencing Monday 8th April 2019

Monday 8th

- ◆ Year 5 Bikeability
- ◆ EYFS Parent Drop in @ 3.15pm

Tuesday 9th

- ◆ Year 5 Bikeability
- ◆ Year 6 Parent Consultations 1.30pm—7pm
- ◆ Tech Free Tuesday from 4pm—6pm (see attached information).

Wednesday 10th

- ◆ Years 3/4 Cross Country at C.T.T.C.—Trialled children only

Thursday 11th

- ◆ Year 6 Trust Basketball Tournament at Erasmus Darwin Academy 3.15pm—4.45pm:
invitation only

Friday 12th

- ◆ Whole school Easter Bonnet Parade @ 2pm
- ◆ School closed 2.30pm

Uniform Reminder

Just a reminder that children need to be wearing appropriate school flat shoes - socks either black or grey for boys or white, grey or black girls- skirts no shorter than knee length - no large hair clips, bobbles or accessories .

On Wednesday 3rd April, a team of runners from Years 5 and 6 went to Chase Terrace Technology College to compete in the Burntwood and Lichfield Schools Cross Country Team Event.

The event was very well attended and highly competitive. All children individually raced well to contribute to the teams overall standing (to be released in the coming week).

There were some very notable individual placings from some of our children including a fabulous fourth place for Annie and a terrific third place for William in their respective races.

Well done to all the children who took part and thank you to everyone who came and gave their support.



Hyperlinks:

Please click below to open our dinner menu and Parent Pay.

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HIGHFIELDS PRIMARY PTFA
EASTER 2019



This year, instead of our traditional Easter Egg Decorating Competition, we have decided to try something new! The PTFA is organizing a "Smarties Challenge".

Before the end of term your child/children will come home with a tube of Smarties. They can eat the Smarties but they need to keep the tube! We would then like your child to do small jobs around the house over the Easter Holidays in return for payments of 20p. They should collect the coins in the empty tube and bring it back into school before **Friday 3rd May**. If by 3rd May your tube isn't quite full seal it up and send it in anyway. All money raised from this fundraiser will go towards replacing some of the schools outdated ICT equipment - ipads and laptops.

Families with more than one child in school, please feel free to return just one tube.

We hope the children find this challenge fun and you get some help around the house this half-term!

Thank you for your continued support.





HOMEMADE PIE SALE

THURSDAY 11TH APRIL 2019—3.15PM

Pies available are:-

Savoury Pies

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| ♦ Meat and Potato | } | |
| ♦ Chicken, Ham and Leek | } | Individual pies from |
| ♦ Cheese, Onion and Potato | } | £1.50 |
| ♦ Minced Beef and Onion | } | |
| ♦ Shepherds Pie | } | Large family pies from |
| ♦ Lamb and Mint | } | £4.50 |

Sweet Pies

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| ♦ Apple | } | |
| ♦ Cherry | } | From £2.50 |
| ♦ Apple and Blackberry | } | |
| ♦ Apple Crumble | } | Small from £1.50 |
| ♦ Rhubarb Crumble | } | Large from £3.50 |
| ♦ Fruit Crumble | } | |

All ingredients are locally sourced. All profits from this sale will go towards school fund. Advance orders can be taken via the office or bought on the day.

Forest School Area

If anyone has any unwanted pond liner or frogs spawn, we would love it for our Forest School area.

Tech Free Tuesday

School Council Update: Tech-Free Tuesday

From our screen time survey we received 40 responses, that is 20%.
Average findings are:
12 hours for a child per week
22 hours for an adult per week.

On average $\frac{1}{3}$ of each class took part in our
last Tech-Free Tuesday

Our next Tech-Free Tuesday is

9th April

4pm-6pm

Suggested Activities

- Homework
- Sports/exercise
- Playing with toys
- Cooking/baking
- Reading
- Play a musical instrument
- Learn something new
- Play board games/puzzles

Recommended Clubs

- Multi sports
- Theatrics
- gymnastics
- Cricket
- Dancing
- rugby
- Swimming
- Cubs/scouters/beavers
- Girl guiding/rainbows

We hope you will join in and have fun!



Picture News

at Home

8th April 2019

What's going on this week?



Sir Anthony Seldon, from the University of Buckingham and a long-time believer of better support systems for children in schools, has suggested that schools across the country should have dogs to help deal with stress. Speaking at the Ultimate Wellbeing in Education conference in London, Seldon told the conference that the pressures of social media meant that more focus should be placed on building up a sense of wellbeing. He believes the simple, low-tech approach to reducing stress includes the soothing presence of animals, especially dogs can work well.

Things to talk about at home...

- 🌿 Do you have pets? What difference do you think having pets makes to someone's life?
- 🌿 What do you think are the advantages and disadvantages of different pets?
- 🌿 If schools have a pet, whose responsibility do you think it is to take care of it during the school holiday and on weekends?