



Alsager Highfields Primary School

Mighty oaks from small acorns grow

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who has supported school events over the past few weeks, especially those who came and supported the PFA at today's circus. It was a great event attended by our own school community as well as many children and parents from neighbouring schools. The general consensus from the adults was that it was 'good old-fashioned fun' and the children certainly loved the water pistols and shaving foam. A huge thank you to our PFA, ably led by Mrs Nowak and supported by Mrs Lindblad and their band of volunteers. The fact that past parents came to help with food stalls is a huge indicator of what Highfields means to so many. We are very fortunate to have so many supporters who are willing to give up their time in order to bring our community together and also raise funds for the school.

On Monday our year 4 pupils are off on their residential to the Quinta centre and the year 5 and 6 pupils are busy rehearsing for the end of year production—Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits! I think we've got a busy few weeks ahead!

Rachel Woollam

Year Six Public Speaking Competition

After working with the high schools in The Cornovii Trust on writing, public speaking and speech writing was an area which we felt we could improve on in our primaries. After collaborating, the primary partners devised a public speaking event within our schools titled 'My Big Ambition.' Our year six pupils prepared and delivered their speeches last Friday, in front of a panel of three. The standard was extremely high and many pupils took themselves out of their comfort zone to present and share 'their big ambition.' Deciding on four children to take forward to the Trust competition was extremely difficult, but Molly, Arthur, Sienna and Marcello represented our school brilliantly yesterday afternoon. So brilliantly in fact, that we won the Public Speaking trophy for the best public speaking team. Mrs Harrison and I were so proud of our team, but also of the pupils from Weston and Audlem, who delivered 'their big ambitions' clearly and confidently. The event was so successful that it has already been added to next year's calendar.



Mini Medics

Last week, our year six pupils took part in two days of First Aid training with local sports company ASM. This training was designed to increase the confidence in our oldest pupils, should they have to handle a medical situation. Learning how to administer CPR as well as how to put people in the recovery position, has helped our pupils gain a greater understanding of how they can help others in times of need. We believe children learning first aid is extremely important as accidents can happen at any time and knowing how to provide basic first aid can significantly reduce the severity of an injury or even save a life.



Sports' Day

A huge thank you to all parents, carers and friends who came to support our sports' days. We have been unbelievably lucky to manage to plan 2 days this summer where the weather has been kind!

Some Key Stage 2 pupils will now have the chance to represent our school at Town Sports on Monday 1st July at 4pm, held at Highfields.

School Councillors

Our school councillors truly do have their voice heard in our school and in recent months have interviewed potential new staff as well as our lovely cook. School dinners are always high on the agenda and our councillors have really influenced the menu choices at Highfields of late. So much so that we now have children's aprons proudly stating 'Student Takeover.' I'm pleased to say their choices were fairly healthy too!



Two stars of Y5 who took control and chose a menu for a day.

Activities for the Summer

ASM sports is a local company that provide many opportunities for children in the field of sport. They work in many primary schools in order to enhance PE provision and run a number of after school clubs in the area. If your child enjoys sports, then please do see what his company is offering over the summer break in terms of clubs and activities.

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Bronze Awards—well done to the pupils who have recently joined our school and have already achieved their bronze award.

Y1—Ali A

Y4— Harmonie Sui

Silver Award

Y1—Gregory M

Y4—Henry M, Evie R and William E

Gold Awards (30 stars)

Y1—Elijah W, Luna D and Oscar N

Y4—Jago J, Ellie P, Fleur Y and Grace B

Y5—Noah L, Isla B, and Heidi F

Diamond Award

Y1—Emilia C and Isobel M

Y3— Amber W, Emily T, Iyla G, Naomi L and Dexter D



Platinum Award

Y2—Nora O and Jude W

Y4—Holly R, Rosie C and Sophie W

Word Millionaires

Huge congratulations to our latest millionaire:

Alexander A in year 5

Also receiving their much awaited book tokens to-day are:

Elise C, Shadrach A and Amber W.

We have had so many millionaires of late that the local shops have run out of book tokens!!

Finally...

Well done to all the pupils who took part in both infant and junior Sports' Day. For some, this is a day they dread, for others, it is a day they look forward to all year. At Highfields, we recognise that we all shine in different areas and I think all children should be praised for their positive attitude.