

Highfield CE Primary School

Weekly Update

A message from Mrs Walford and Mrs Bond

Dear Parents,

As we embrace the arrival of the Easter break, we extend our warmest wishes to you and your families for a lovely Easter holiday!

We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to all parents for your support and collaboration throughout this term. Your involvement in your children's education is invaluable, and we are incredibly appreciative of all you do to support life in school.

Over the Easter break, some classes have sent home learning for your child to complete. Next term is an especially important one for our year 6 pupils and we ask that all pupils in year 6 read the book 'Holes'. This will really put pupils at an advantage in their next writing project. Please also check the year 6 maths folder on Showbie. It is filled with lots of helpful resources for the children to use. We have also sent home some resources to support SATS preparation via Parentmail.

If you have any safeguarding concerns over the break, the DSL email address is highfielddsl@gmail.com and this is checked every day by our lead DSL.

Wishing you a **wonderful** Easter holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone on **Monday 15th April**.

Term: **Spring** Number **12**

Date: 28.03.24

Theme of collective
after Easter:

Courage



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School Improvement Priorities

2023/2024

Attendance



National attendance rate across the academic year to date was **93.2%**
Highfield CE Primary attendance to date this week: **95.9%**

Writing



Miss Ellis attended a Research in Action Writing Group where they concentrated on looking at developing gifted writers.

Developing Leadership



During the INSET day, the staff had training on 'developing a coaching culture' and the use of IEPs (individual education plans).

Curriculum



In addition to the above, the staff were trained by 'Life Lab. Life Lab is a unique, teaching laboratory dedicated to improving adolescent health by giving school students opportunities to learn first-hand the science behind the health messages. Click on the link to find out more.

<https://www.southampton.ac.uk/lifelab/index.page>

Christian Values



This week, Mrs Shorey worked on the development of the spiritual garden.

IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK



DT vehicles

This half term, the children in year 5/6 have been looking at designing and creating their own motorised vehicles. They had a busy day today, finishing their vehicles and hooking up their electronic circuits. After half term, they will have a chance to test their vehicles and make any adaptations they need. They have all been incredibly reflective and determined to problem solve and fix any problems they found.



Staff having lots of fun in their INSET training, learning about great PE provision.



IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK



AMAZING VR
headsets in
years 5 and 6!



Children in years 5
and 6 were lucky
enough to have a
morning
experiencing virtual
reality head sets!
What a brilliant
experience it was!
Thank you, Mrs
Bryant, for
organising such a
wonderful week!



"It was really, really interesting and fun. We learnt about all the different planets and the features and what it would be like to live on each planet!" Harriet, year 6



IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

KSI

The children in KSI had a really special collective worship this week that was led by Rahul and Daya. They spoke to the children about a Sikh celebration called Vaisakhi that happens every year on the 13th April. Both Rahul and Daya were so informative and the children learnt so much. Thank you to both of them for sharing their amazing culture and religion with us!



Beech Base Reading Treat!

Beech base achieved their reading treat and had an Easter egg hunt to celebrate!





SPORT IN SCHOOL

Well done to all the children that took part in the March Hare Relay last week! It was a fantastic event with Highfield entering 10 teams! It was fantastic to see the children cheering each other on, running together and celebrating one another for their hard-work and resilience. A HUGE well done to all the 40 children that took part!





**Do save the date and talk to your
young musicians about performing
at the
HSFF's**



**Spring Musical Afternoon Tea
on**



Saturday 27th April 2024



**Do email the HSFF if you would
still like to perform:**



**familyandfriends@highfieldschool.
co.uk**





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:



All useful dates have been updated onto our website and can be found here:
<https://highfieldceprimaryschool.co.uk/>

Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April - Easter Holidays

Monday 15th April - First day back to school

Wednesday 22nd May, 1.30pm-7.00pm - Parents' Evening (details tbc)



Change of dates!!



The date of **Europe Class assembly** has had to be changed from Friday 10th May to
Friday 7th June.

The date of the **Year 6 Show** has had to be changed from Thursday 27th June to
Wednesday 26th June
Sorry for any inconvenience.

GOVERNOR UPDATE



This week, Governor Mrs Mommer Quiroz came into school to look at the curriculum. She spent time looking through Geography planning with our leader Miss Collins.




Free Easter Eggs for all our Children

We are very grateful to 'The Big Difference' charity based in Southampton, who are a group supporting community groups, families, and individuals through the cost of living crisis.

Their wish was that every child in Southampton receives a chocolate egg this Easter, with the aim to put a smile on each child's face.

Looking at these photos, I would say they definitively achieved it!





**We are very grateful to The
Brewhouse and Kitchen for
allowing us to use their car park for
‘Park and Stride’ in the morning.**



Quiz Night!

Join us for quiz night every Monday at 8pm!
Teams of 6 max, £2pp + £1 to enter killer question round, lots of prizes & loads of fun 😊



Monday Dining Sorted!

Our popular Burger & Pint early week offer is back!

Enjoy one of our famous B&K burgers, fries, and your pint of choice, all day, every Monday* - only £11.95!



PARENTING CHILDREN WITH ADHD

(aged
3 to 11
yrs old)

**A FREE 8-week online course
for parents/carers of children
with ADHD (3 to 11 years old)**

Understand more about ADHD	Boost your parent/child relationship
Channel your child's energy	Cope with feelings
Improve their self-esteem	Guide and nurture your child
Meet their emotional needs	Tips for home, school and wider family

Via ZOOM on **Thursday mornings**
From 02/05/24 to 27/06/24 - **9.30-11.30am**
for **8 weekly** sessions (term-time only)

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info@sftrust.org.uk



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about CLICKBAIT

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Clickbait is a controversial online marketing strategy which uses sensationalist (and frequently misleading) headlines to encourage engagement with an article, image or video – often playing on users' emotions and curiosity, while much of the actual content is of questionable accuracy. Clickbait is also sometimes used to disguise scams, phishing sites and malware.

HARMFUL MISINFORMATION

Clickbait tends to play fast and loose with the truth, opting for eye-catching content over objectivity. This is particularly dangerous for younger internet users, who are generally more susceptible to that type of material. A child could be presented with fake news, misleading articles and – in some cases – outright lies without fully understanding what they're viewing and why it's harmful.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Due to the misleading nature of many examples of clickbait, what may seem to be innocuous and child friendly could actually contain age-inappropriate material such as extremist political views or violent, pornographic or sexually explicit content. This is clearly a hazard for young people, who could be upset, disturbed or influenced by exposure to such subject matter.

HIDDEN MALWARE

While most clickbait is simply trying to promote engagement to earn companies additional revenue, some of it does redirect to dubious sites with the potential to infect devices with viruses or malware. This could put a child's sensitive data – such as their name, their location and their date of birth – at risk of being accessed and exploited by malicious hackers.

PRIVACY PROBLEMS

Some clickbait leads to sites which could coax a child into volunteering their personal data – using pop-ups to ask them for their email address and phone number, for example, in exchange for accessing additional content or subscribing to various services. Normally, this harvested information is then sold to third parties, who often utilise it for targeted adverts and other sales schemes.

A DRAINING DISTRACTION

Clickbait encourages spiralling consumption of online content, which could easily result in a young person spending hours scrolling aimlessly instead of doing something productive or interacting with family and friends. This can leave them tired, asocial and lacking focus – and, in the long term, can negatively impact their social skills, education and mental wellbeing.

IMPACT ON BEHAVIOUR

Depending on the type of clickbait a child is interacting with, you might notice negative changes in their behaviour. Weight loss scams, for example, are common among clickbait and have the potential to influence eating habits and body image – while deliberately inflammatory 'rage bait' articles can leave impressionable young people feeling irritable, restless or argumentative.

Advice for Parents & Educators

START A CONVERSATION

The sheer volume of clickbait can make protecting children against it quite challenging. It's vital to talk to young people regularly about the types of content they encounter online, so that they understand the risks of engaging with clickbait. If you're still concerned, it may also be wise to keep an eye on children's online activity to ensure they're not being tempted by clickbait headlines.

PROMOTE CRITICAL THINKING

Encouraging children to question the legitimacy of sensational headlines and too-good-to-be-true promises will help them to become savvier online – and far less likely to be drawn in by clickbait content. These critical thinking skills will also serve to protect them in other areas of the digital world where misinformation is becoming increasingly common.

SPOT THE TELLTALE SIGNS

There are certain common elements in clickbait, including headlines and images that use shock and outrage to grab people's attention – as well as numbered lists, such as "8 Facts You Won't Believe Are True". Some clickbait combines several of these tactics to snag users' interest. Learn to recognise these techniques for yourself so you can teach children to notice them as well.

TAKE CONTROL

Many parents opt to place limits on how long their children can spend online each day, which obviously reduces the chance of exposure to clickbait. Alternatively, most internet-enabled devices have built-in controls that allow parents to manage what sort of online content their child can access – including filtering by age, which can screen out a percentage of inappropriate material.

Meet Our Expert

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#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

KIDS HOLIDAY CAMPS

TEAM SPIRIT

SPORTS COACHING

APRIL 2ND -
APRIL 12TH



**SOUTHAMPTON
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Holiday Activities & Food

**FREE spaces available for
children in receipt of free
school meals as part of
Southampton HAF**



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our site**

**Join us this Easter for some action packed days full of
enjoyable activities! MULTI-SPORTS, CRAFTS,
FOOTBALL AND GYMNASTICS! SO MUCH FUN TO BE
HAD THIS HALF TERM - DON'T MISS OUT BOOK
TODAY!**

Shirley Junior School (Week 1) / Redbridge Community School (Week 2) /
Highfield CE Primary School (Both weeks)

Short day option 9am - 3pm / Long day option 9am - 5pm



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admin@teamspirit4sport.co.uk
023 80 658 636

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Southampton's OLD TOWN EASTER TRAIL

28th March - 14th April

Opening Times: 9am - 5pm

JOIN IN THE FUN!

Follow our map around Old Town to find all of the eggs hiding in windows. Each of the eggs will have a unique number of bunnies hidden in the designs for you to find. Write down the number you see on the back of this page, then head to our final destination where every child will receive a FREE small prize.

Along the way, you will also visit some of the city's most loved historic sites and answer questions on the back of this map.

HOP TO IT...

1. room2
2. Oxford Brasserie
3. God's House Tower
4. Ennios
5. Danica Payne Aesthetics & Dental
6. The Dark Arts Potion Bar
7. Argento Steak House
8. Holyrood Church
9. Travelodge
10. Waterstones
11. Bargate
12. HMV
13. Howden Insurance
14. The Star Hotel

1 Search for eggs like this

Depending on how fast you hop, the trail will take **Approx. 55 mins**

Approx. 1.9 miles

Legend:
 Egg Stop
 Landmark Stop

Map Labels: Westquay Shopping Centre, Bargate St, Castle Way, High Street, East Street, Eastgate St, West Street, Bernard Street, Briton Street, Town Quay, French Street, Castle Way, Holyrood Church, Queens Terrace, Queens Park, Platform Road, Red Funnel

Start: 1 START (Queens Terrace)
Finish: 14 FINISH (Eastgate St)

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EASTER EGG TRAIL STOPS:

Visit each location to find an egg in one of the windows. Write down the number of bunnies hidden in each egg.

1	2	4	5	6	7
9	10	12	13	14	

LANDMARK TRAIL STOPS:

These trail stops do not have eggs. Visit each location to explore the area in order to answer the questions below.

3	WHICH FAMOUS FEMALE AUTHOR IS MENTIONED ON ONE OF THE PLAQUES HANGING ON THE WALL OUTSIDE GOD'S HOUSE TOWER?	
8	WHICH LARGE MARITIME OBJECT CAN YOU FIND INSIDE AND OUTSIDE HOLYROOD CHURCH?	
11	WHAT ANIMALS CAN YOU SEE STANDING GUARD OUTSIDE OF THE BARGATE?	

For exclusive offers on food, drink and experiences, pick up a free SO card at the Marlands Information Desk or download a digital version at visitsouthampton.co.uk

LOOKING FOR MORE FAMILY EVENTS?
visitsouthampton.co.uk/events

Why not stop off for a bite to eat or drink on your way?
There's so much on offer in Old Town, discover more at visitsouthampton.co.uk/oldtown

Tell us what you thought...

Tell us what you thought of our Easter trail for a chance to win a £100 Waterstones gift voucher. The winner will be announced in May 2024.

Did you enjoy the trail?

Postcode:

Number of people in your group: Adults ☐ Children under 16 ☐

Comments:

Adult's name:

Adult's email:

Would you like to sign up to Visit Southampton's digital newsletter to learn more about other events and activities in the city? Yes ☐ No ☐

***Required fields for prize draw**

WIN
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A photograph of a large, white, multi-story house with a central tower, viewed through a stone archway. The house is surrounded by a well-manicured garden with various plants and a path leading towards it. The sky is blue with scattered clouds.