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High Firs Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM MR KILBRIDE

Spring is here at last in both the calendar, as we reach March and reflected in the weather too. We have really enjoyed the sunshine and warmer weather this week, whether in forest school, pancake races outside or Y1 tri-golf – the blue skies and dry spell have been most welcome indeed. I understand that the forecast for the weekend ahead is also very positive, so I hope that you all manage to get outside and soak up some much-needed vitamin D.

After six long months of grafting, we were finally able to award our first Values cups this week in assembly. Well done to all the sticker winners this week, but a special mention for the children listed below who have become the first to collect the full set of four stickers, therefore winning them a Values cup. The cup is in reality a beaker – and I look forward to hearing the various different uses of them from the morning orange juice every day to being an ornament on a special shelf!

Pancake Day Races

Shrove Tuesday means one thing at High Firs - it's time for our annual Pancake Day Races! Well done to all the children (and staff!) who took part and in particular to our Key Stage winners.



Science Week

Next week is British Science Week and the classes have been set challenges to score as many points as possible by throwing, rolling or even catapulting a chocolate egg towards a target! These challenges were introduced to the school this week in assembly and will take place during the children's Science lessons. Children will need to make sure their egg is protected for its landing and we started thinking about how this could be done in our assembly. If your child has any scrap materials at home that they think might be useful for their challenge, we are happy for them to bring them in next week. We do already have some materials in school (bubble wrap, brown paper etc) so there is no obligation to send anything in.



Parent Consultations

Thank you to everyone who has already booked their Parents Consultation via our new online booking system using Arbor – we had a fantastic 45% of our families signing on within the first hour of them going live and by lunchtime today three quarters of our appointments had been taken up. Bookings close on Tuesday 11th March at 8pm so please log in soon to select your preferred time.



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Values Assembly

Well done to all of this month's winners of a Values sticker in today's assembly. We also celebrated seven children who are the first recipients of our Values Cups for having received all four stickers – fantastic!

	Be kind	Be your best	Be honest	Be safe
R	Mia Sadie J George K	Aston Annriya Nihaad	Ayah Ivy G Arthur H Ela O	Ella B Arthur FI Ayyub Olivia L
1	Florence Mikayla Reyansh	Rania Joel Luna	Esme-Jayne Jenson Bobbi	Madeleine Molly
2	Aylen Gloria Anthony	Sophia George N George S	Harrison F Orla Julia	Harry H Nicole Isabella W
3	Jaxon Kaya Anastasia	William Willow	Iyah M Courtney Logan F	Teddy C Lenny G
4	Danny Daisy B Lewis Dylan	Oliver Ellis Darcie D Ivy	Annabelle Edy Tiana Beatrice J Elias	Millie Ruby Lennie J Chloe
5	Iyah-Renae Selena Faye	Smilte Rakshanaa	Thomas Ellie Clark	Demi Isabella O Scarlett
6	Hashmin Poppy G Izzy	Blou Samuel Honey	Bella Ethan Olivia W	Albert B Grace Bethanie
Cup Winners	Jessica B, George K, Rania C, Iyah M, Ellis A, Darcie D, Hashmin D			

Book Day visit to Avery Frogmal House

A group of our Year 3 & 4 children had a lovely morning on Wednesday when we were invited to visit the elderly residents at Avery Frogmal House to share their World Book Day celebrations. The children enjoyed sharing and listening to some of their favourite stories and singing along with some well-known action songs!



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HOUSE POINTS

	This Week	Term Total	Top Scorers this week
BEECH	108	258	Ayah, Morgan W
CHESTNUT	116	237	Ellie R, Oscar F
OAK	97	230	Oscar P, Beatrice G
ASH	105	273	Leo W, Sadie B

THIS WEEK'S



In our classes this week

Reception – learned to measure using non-standard units of measurement.

Year 1 – enjoyed learning how to play tri-golf!

Year 2 – learned about space travel.

Year 3 – wrote their own mini adventure stories in English.

Year 4 – used micro-bits.

Year 5 – investigated irreversible reactions.

Year 6 – multiplied and divided decimals.

Register Rabbit

Congratulations to this week's Key Stage winners of Register Rabbit for their excellent attendance:

YEAR 1 – 100% 😊

YEAR 6 – 99.3%

Our class attendance this week was:

Year 1 – 100%

Rec and Year 6 – 99.3%

Year 5 – 98.2%

Year 4 – 97.4%

Year 3 – 96.3%

Year 2 – 94.1%



INSET DAYS

30th June

21st July

22nd July

Coming up next week...

Tues 11th March – 8pm: Bookings close for parent consultations

Weds 12th March – Yr5/6 Community Football Cup

Yr 2 Class assembly at 10.10am

Fri 14th March – Book Fair after school



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MARCH is Reading Month

A day isn't enough to celebrate reading so we need a little more...!

Tuesday 18th
March

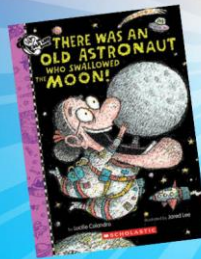
DRESS UP AS
YOUR FAVOURITE
BOOK
CHARACTER



or wear your pyjamas
for some bedtime reading!

14th, 17th, 18th & 19th March

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!



“Reading is a passport to countless adventures!”

EXTREME READING COMPETITION

Get someone to take a photo of you reading a favourite book in an unusual way or place. (Make sure it's safe!) Either print your photo and bring it in or email it to your teacher using your class email address.

Deadline for entries is Monday 10th March - entries will then be on display at the Book Fair.

With a prize for a
winner in each class!



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Did you know our school hall is available for hire?



One-off and regular letting times are available.

More information is available from our office:
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01322 669721

Parent information and support online sessions



Kent Emotional Wellbeing Teams
Medway Emotional Support Teams

Understanding Anxiety 10/03/2025 5:30 – 7.30pm

Sleep & Autism 27/03/2025 5.30 – 7.30pm

Me & My Child: Understanding Resilience 9/04/2025 10.30am – 12.30pm

Visit www.high-firs.kent.sch.uk/parentworkshops to book

#Stay Safe
Get Active

Got to drive?

Park and stride!

Sign up to join us at -
<https://high-firs.kent.sch.uk/park-stride/>

No Parking

Think before you stop. Choose a safe spot...

... and please show consideration to our neighbours.



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