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High Firs Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM MR KILBRIDE

A really busy week once again this week with a wide range of things happening around school.

Firstly, Y6 enjoyed a lovely trip on Tuesday to the British Film Institute – pictures and details below.

Y3/4 children were a credit to the school at the football festival – again pictures and details below.

Our Y5/6 teams for boys and girls travelled to Cherry Orchard in Ebbsfleet on Friday afternoon – news of results to follow next week.

Coming up next week - Y1 go out to Tonbridge Castle on Monday, the Fire Service are leading workshops for all pupils on Friday, our Remembrance activities continue with more poppies for sale Monday and Tuesday and our assembly on Tuesday morning, Y3 have their class assembly on Wednesday, Rec/Y6 have their height and weight being measured on Monday and to top it all off, Children in Need Challenge 25 comes to school on Friday with details below.

Year 6 World War II day at the British Film Institute

As part of their History topic, Year 6 had a fantastic day at the British Film Institute on Tuesday. After catching the train to Waterloo, they walked to the BFI for a morning workshop on the use of short films for information and propaganda in WWII before having the chance to write their own script. Two of our children even had the chance to then perform their work on the BFI stage! In the afternoon they enjoyed a screening of “Goodnight Mr Tom” and a quick visit to the Embankment before returning home.



Yr3/4 SDPSSA Football Festival

Thursday saw the first of our Swanley District sports events for this academic year when a group of our Yr3 & 4 children travelled to Princes Park to take part in the SDPSSA Football Festival. As opposed to competitive tournaments, our festival events have no official winner – just lots of opportunities to take part, build skills and play for enjoyment. Well done to our team of eight children for a great afternoon of five games of football against our other local schools!



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Parents and families are invited to join us for our Remembrance Day Assembly at 10.40am on Tuesday 11th November, which will include observing the 2-minute silence.

Poppy Appeal

Paper poppies and a variety of other items will continue to be on sale Monday and Tuesday next week, in return for the children's donations towards this year's British Legion Poppy Appeal. Items available



and the donation suggested by the RBL are shown here. Thank you for your continued support of this very worthwhile cause.

Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is Anti-bullying week and we are marking this in school with some initiatives that our Anti-bullying Squad of pupils are leading on, under Mrs Everest's guidance.

Firstly, children are challenged to come to school one day next week wearing odd socks to symbolise that it is ok to be or look different to others, without worrying about judgement or comment.

Secondly, we are asking the children to vote on one of the two designs below to become a 'buddy bench', that one of our Squad members will man in support of children who would like a buddy!



Friends of High Firs

Primary School Association

Supporting Our Children's Education

Thank you for supporting our first after school doughnut sale! We are sorry that we sold out whilst there was still demand, but this means we will definitely repeat the event in future. We made £48 in a very short space of time.

We hope many of you will have had the chance to pick up a bargain ahead of the Festive Season with our second hand Christmas Jumper sale after school today.

HOUSE POINTS

	This Week	Term Total	Top Scorers this week
BEECH	178	769	Aston A; Emelia S
CHESTNUT	135	940	Arthur F1; Daisy B; Ivy C
OAK	185	1053	Ivy G; Chloe P
ASH	172	995	Darcie T; Sadie B



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October Values award winners:

	Be safe	Be honest	Be your best	Be kind
R	Finley B Idris Isabella T	Ernie Sienna-Rose Reece	Madison Aaron Kelly	Amal River Finley H
1	Ayah George P Ayyub	Charles Noah Darcie T	Arthur Fl Olivia DJ	Mia Ella Arthur H
2	Esme B Frankie B Billy D	Molly Luna Charlie	Esme-Jayne Mikayla Reyansh	Ziggy Bobbi Isla
3	Jamie Harry W Isabella W	Emma Freya Hannah N	Mikey George N Marco	Logan G Alice Harry H
4	Sabiha Sofia Kaya	Francesca Anastasia Lenny G	Stanley Louisa Jasmine	Teddy M Henry T Albert
5	Millie Lewis Tiana	Dylan Lennie Danny	Darcie D Chloe Beatrice	Henry Elias Morgan J
6	Sadiya Demi Selena	Clark Evie Scarlett	Poppy Isabella O Emelia	Maisie Iyah B



Reception 2026

Applications for our Reception 2026 class go online today at <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/primary-school-places>

If you would like to join our final talk & tour for prospective families on Monday 10th November or to come along to the Pre-school Craft Afternoon on Tuesday 2nd December please book your place at

<https://www.high-firs.kent.sch.uk/receptiontours>

Register Rabbit

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

YEAR 4

YEAR 1

Our class attendance this week was:

Year 4 100%

Year 5 99.6%

Year 1 98.5%

Year 3 98.5%

Year 6 97.0%

Year 2 95.9%

Year R 95.6%



In our classes this week

Reception – have written CVC words

Year 1 – learned how to write a letter

Year 2 – tested properties of different materials to be used on a car windscreen

Year 3 – learned about when the Romans first invaded Britain

Year 4 – created electrical circuits in Science

Year 5 – learned about hospitals in Victorian Swanley

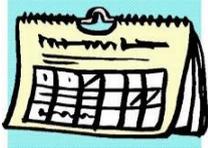
Year 6 – learned about the visible spectrum

THIS WEEK'S



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INSET DAYS

5/1/2026

22/5/2026

Coming up next week...

Monday 10th November

Year 1 trip to Tonbridge Castle
Reception & Yr6 height & weight measurements
5.30pm – tours for Reception 2026 intake

Tuesday 11th November

10.40am – Remembrance Assembly

Wednesday 12th November

10.10am – Year 3 Class Assembly

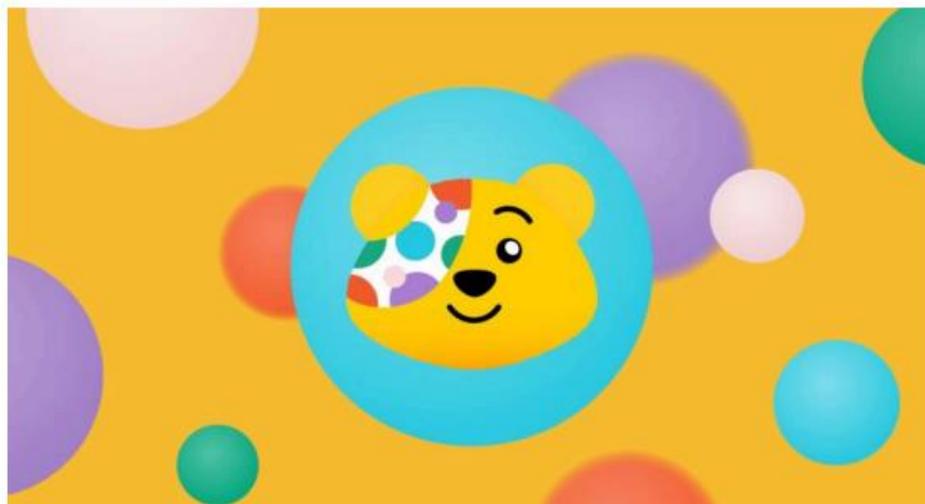
Friday 14th November

Children are invited to wear spots or Children in Need themed clothing



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CHILDREN IN NEED

FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2025

On Friday 14th November, classes will be recognising Children In Need by taking part in Challenge 25! Each class will complete a challenge 25 times or for 25 minutes.

Reception: Complete an obstacle course 25 times.

Year 1: Learn 25 different flags.

Year 2: Complete 25 laps of the playground on the balance bikes.

Year 3: Beat a teacher at noughts and crosses 25 times.

Year 4: Keep a balloon from touching the floor for 25 minutes.

Year 5: See how many times we can complete an obstacle course in 25 minutes.

Year 6: Complete 25 laps of the mile track.

If you would like to donate to Children In Need in recognition of Challenge 25, please click the link below.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=19628>

Children are invited to wear spots or Children In Need themed clothing alongside their school uniform.



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Parents and carers

Coffee Morning

Everyone is welcome -
please come along for
coffee and chat!

**Tuesday 18th
November at 9am**

***Understanding and
supporting your
child's behaviour.***



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