



Newsletter

Head Teacher Message

We have had a very exciting and interesting time during November. We have had a range of visits and visitors to the school this month to enrich the learning experiences for the children. These type of activities make the learning 'real' and enables children to engage in a way that would not be possible if we organised the activities ourselves. Thanks for your support with voluntary donations towards the trips as without them we would not be able to do them.

The school had a group of teachers from Norway visit us recently to look at how we teach and broad and balanced Religious Education Curriculum. They were very impressed with all aspects of the school and in particular, the positive learning environment we have created.

Lead Academy Trust continue to support the school through our Director of School, Maxine Clewlow. She carried out her termly review of the school this month and it was a very positive experience indeed. She was very pleased to see how we are developing our wider curriculum to meet the needs of all pupils and make the learning more cross curricular. Well done to everybody!

Dates for your Diary

Dec
5 Reading and Maths café

Dec
14 Leicester Hub School Council
Event at the Highfields
Centre

Dec
18/19 Christmas parties at the
Highfields Centre

Dec
21 School closes for Christmas
holiday

In the last Month...

- The M&M Theatre Company delivered two shows of Pinocchio to all the children in school.
- As part of our Languages topic and Beowulf Novel study, year 4 experienced a Viking day on the 7th of November 2018. A "free woman" from Viking times started the day by sharing her experiences with us which was then followed by a series of activities that enabled the children to experience different aspects of Viking life including dress, battle, writing and games. The day ended with a fantastic traditional storytelling experience and the children were incredibly enthused and inspired by everything they had done.
- Y5 spent the day at the Black Country Museum. They had a truly fantastic experience, linking this to their work on Victorian Britain. It was like taking a step back in time and children learnt so much about life in Victorian Britain.
- We had an archaeologist visit the school for two days to work with all the pupils showing them how archaeologists use artefacts to learn about the past. Another great learning experience for our children.
- Y6 visited the Warning Zone to learn about keeping safe in our ever changing world. This is a spectacular venue that has recreated a range of life-like environments to make children aware of the dangers they face in our communities and beyond. They also learn about the dangers of the internet and how to use it safely.



Important Notices

- We will be holding our termly green dot raffle assembly at the Highfields Centre on Friday 21st December at 9.00am. Parents and carers are welcome to join us.
- We are still receiving requests for children to be taken out of school during term time for holidays. Any absence during term time can only be granted under exceptional circumstances and therefore time taken out for holidays will be unauthorised and you could receive a fine. Please support your child's learning and the school by only taking holidays during holiday periods.



Attendance Figures for 2018

Year 4 are once again in prime position in the School Attendance League table. Well done Y4!

Overall attendance for the school currently stands at 97%

Year 3 – 97.3%

Year 4 – 97.7%

Year 5 – 96.5%

Year 6 – 96.5%



We value **your voice** and would like you to join us on our journey of improvement.