

Dear Parents and Carers,

It feels like this week has gone very fast! Maybe because we don't stand still here!

This week myself and the leaders did lesson observations which we will continue next week. It is amazing to hear how meaningfully engaged pupils were in all the lessons we saw. Staff work very hard to prepare and deliver purposeful lessons, but also to form positive and trusting relationships with pupils - and this really does show. Pupils must feel calm and safe to be able to focus on their learning and this is our priority before anything else. I am pleased and proud to say that at Highshore this is a well established practice.

Last week I shared with you that we have organised for a counsellor to join us. This week we have worked to arrange for a yoga teacher to come in and deliver lessons to pupils as part of PE. All pupils will have the opportunity to do yoga and movement sessions. Yoga is very beneficial for building strength, coordination and flexibility, but also helps with sensory and emotional regulation which our young people often need support with.

This week we held further interviews for the Family Support Officer position. We were pleased to have strong candidates applying. I will update you on this next week. I am aware that this very important position has been vacant for some time, but at the same time I want to make sure that the right person is appointed.

Please be reminded of the coffee morning. All parents and carers are invited to join us on 20th November for a conversation with me. A letter went out to all parents last week.

I would like to thank all of you who have taken the time to complete the online survey. We have had a few more responses. A reminder text went out yesterday. This information is very important for us in order to be able to support you and ensure the school continues to serve the community.

We feel it is important that you get to know and hear from other staff in the school. You should expect to see messages from other colleagues in the upcoming newsletters.

Have a lovely weekend,

Evelina

Pupils of the Week

7A	Tristan — For great behaviour and being a fantastic role model to his classmates
7R	Osa — For making a big effort to be ready to learn in all of his lessons
8R	Connor — For working hard in Maths
8T	Mohamed — For being helpful with his peers, teachers and engaging well during learning activities
8J	Lucy — For working hard at completing her number facts to 10
9J	Jiba — For hard work in Maths and Literacy
9R	Sumaya — For having a growth mindset in Maths
10O	Precious — For coping with change and expressing her emotions clearly
10L	Precious — For great improvement in her swimming
11L	Anika — For behaving in a very mature and sensible manner
11R	Hope — For using good manners and being helpful in class
12C	Aaliah — For working hard preparing food orders in enterprise
12N	Ibrahim — For overcoming his fears and taking public transport to school
13/14C	Sidney — For hard work in all lessons
Y13	Naiim — For a very mature attitude and being patient
13/14L	Sara — For her great work in Maths
14K	Bobby — For his little house creation in Enterprise
14L	Casey — For a new and improved attitude towards her attendance

Stars of the week

KS3 Daniel — 7R—For being kind and helping put away the equipment in the playground

KS4 Kwabena—11L—For making an excellent transition back to the classroom

KS5 Deniz—14L—For trying really hard to express herself in different scenarios



Highshore Remembers



As always, pupils this week have been thinking about Remembrance Day, and observing in our own Highshore way.

