

Highgate Primary School Weekly Newsletter Letter



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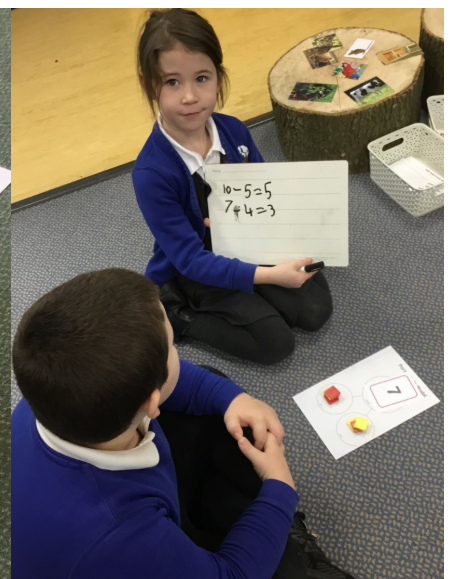
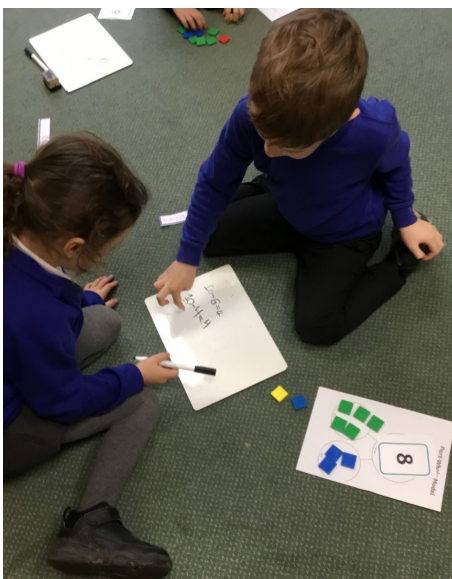
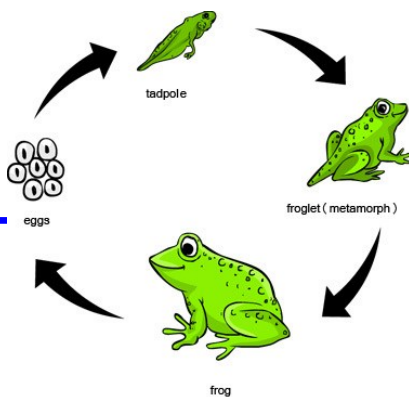
Dear Parents,

Once again, we have had a busy week this week. We hope you like our new-look weekly newsletter that we want to expand and develop.

In this newsletter, we will begin to include book recommendations, inspirational quotes, updates on key dates and things coming up as well as some photos of some work being done by some of the children.

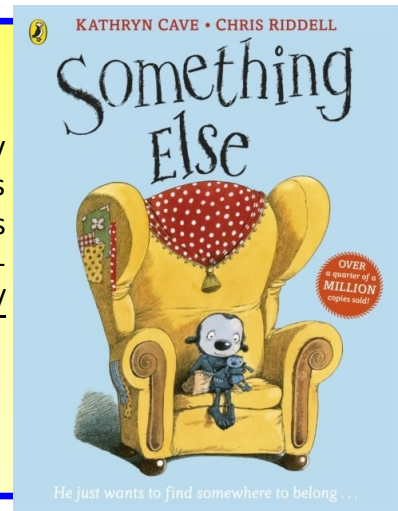
Mr Jenkinson

Year 1 Butterflies children have been having a fun time in class learning about the life cycle of frogs and "Fact Families" in maths this week...



Mr Jenkinson's "book of the week"

"Something Else" by Kathryn Cave and Chris Riddell is a beautiful story that I shared in assembly last term with the children. Something turns up and wants to be friends but Something Else isn't sure that he likes him. There's also a short video of the story being read (with the illustrations) that you can share with your child if you want to. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DSp9j3yDKKQ>



Team Award/Learner of the week :

Above are the group of children who were awarded the Team Award and Learner of the week for this week. They should be very proud of their achievements.

Yr 4 Residential:

Plans are going ahead for the Y4 Residential that we hope to run to Beaumanor Hall. Some parents have asked a few questions that I would like to share with you. Although we ask children to bring their own sleeping bags and old clothes, they will not need to go out and buy more specialist clothes such as water proofs especially for the trip (teddy bears will be an essential on the kit list!). We are optimistic that by the summer we will be on top of the covid situation; while the letter states that the deposit is none-refundable, we will make every effort to return money (if we can) in the unlikely event of us needing to cancel the visit as a whole. Children will be travel by coach or mini-bus (again we will do whatever we can to keep the cost of the trip as low as possible). We are aware that for some children, this might be their first stay away from home and so they may have some nerves about the trip. Do please contact us to talk through any worries. We want to support the children to ensure everyone is able to go.

First Time Admissions: This is a reminder that the deadline for first time admissions in 15th January 2022 for children entering Reception in August 2022. If you have children who should be starting then, remember to complete the online application at <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools-colleges-and-academies/school-admissions>

Please let any friends relatives know that may be interested in the school to call the office to book in for our onsite visits to the school which are available daily

Attendance Matters:

Over a school year, we are due to be open for 190 days, which equates to 380 sessions (morning and afternoon) Attendance is affected if a pupil is not present at school for any whole session including registration.

Attendance Target:

97%

Attendance Actual this week:

95.6%

Parent/guardian reminder :

Allergies: Please do not send children in school with anything containing nuts



Census Day/ Menu change :

Change to Menu Weds 19th/no beef option- now Veg bolognaise- call/ pop into office to change please children who have picked red will be left with this option

Thurs 20th Hot school meal Census day please call/visit office if child is not booked on it is important to support the school on this day (helps with school funding)

Dates for your Diary

JANUARY 2022

5th INSET Day—closed to children

6th Children start back to school

18th Skipping club start back

24th Afterschool clubs start back— see parent pay

27th Heights & Weights measures EYFS & Yr 6

FEBRUARY

14th - 18th Half Term

21st - Author Visit - Rachael Greaves - Rusty the Rail Dog Does First Aid!

MARCH

3rd World Book Day—details to follow

JUNE

27th - 29th Y4 Residential to Beaumanor

More dates will follow...

Covid update:

With effect from Tuesday 11th January 2022 a PCR test is not required after a positive LF test. It will be expected that positive LFT results will be reported to the gov.uk website. From the point of positive LF test people will need to isolate immediately and follow recent isolation rules –refer to gov website with updates