# Highgate Primary School Weekly Newsletter Letter



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#### Dear Parents,

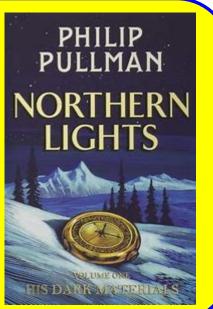
This week has been another jam-packed week, prepping for World Book Day amongst other things! Look out for several new dates for the diary including Bikeability (for Y5), swimming (for Y3, 5 & 6), Comic Relief and Sports Day.



# Mr Hodder's "Book of the Week" Northern

Lights by Phillip Pullman

Northern Lights is a fabulous book based around a strong-headed, determined and courageous girl called Lyra Belacqua. Her story takes her, with her daemon, from living in Oxford University to the frozen lands of the Arctic, where witch-clans reign and ice-bears fight. When I read it, I was captivated with the creative, fantasy world that is very close to ours, combined with an intriguing story. I have previously read this to my Year 5/6 classes and is best for this age group.









## <u>Assembly Sharing World</u> <u>Book Day Work</u>

## Keeping in touch with Highgate:

office@highgate.bepschools.org

Ukraine Appeal

We have had lots of people who have already donated hygiene products for us to send over to the Ukrainian Church as our contribution to the humanitarian aid efforts. For those who didn't see the letter that went out earlier this week, Mrs Turner has liaised with Elite Cheer (who some of our children perform with) to support their efforts with the Ukrainian Church. We are still collecting things until Wednesday next week.

Thank you for your generous support.

## April 1st—Uniform Swap 3pm

Don't forget to save your child's clothes and come along to our swap day Friday 1st April.

Clean, wearable donations needed - we would love your -Jumpers/T-shirts/trousers/dresses/skirts/shorts/trainers/ plimsolls. We are taking these in from Monday 21st March. Please bring them into the office.

We would like a couple of parent volunteers to help. If anyone is able to please let us know in the office.

<u>KS1 SATS Presentation:</u> Weds 9th March 2:45pm in the Hall.

Reminder for parents of Y2 children; the KS1 SATS presentation is at this time to allow you for pick up time. Slides will be shared for anyone unable to attend.

Sports Day: We are planning ahead with our Sport Day this year. We are planning to hold it on **Monday 13th June** with **Thursday 16th June** as the reserve sports day in case of inclement weather. We will notify you of children's Team Colours nearer the time.

**Y5 Bikeability:** We have arranged for Bikeability sessions to go ahead for children in Year 5 during the week commencing 20th June 2022. Please look out for separate forms that need returning as soon as possible. If your child does not have a road worth bike, please let us know so we can try to help.

#### Coronavirus Update:

We have had communication from our Trust Central Team to inform you that for now the situation with pupils continues to be; they should remain away from school if they have a positive case until they are negative. Pupils should remain away from school with coronavirus/cold/ flu symptoms (as they would have been asked to do prepandemic) in the absence of a test until they are better - i.e. not displaying these symptoms.

#### Swimming

We are in the process of finalising arrangements for swimming to start after the Easter holiday on Thursday mornings. Year 5 will be given the opportunity to do this for the whole of the Summer Term. Year 3 will be given the opportunity to do this for the first half of the summer term and Year 6 will do the second

hand of the summer term. Letters will be coming out shortly asking for a small contribution to this (although we intend to subsidise this heavily).

## **Dates for your Diary**

#### <u>MARCH</u>

7th EYFS Parents Evening 8th EYFS Parents Evening 9th KS1 SATS Presentation 2.45pm

11th Y5 Start Forest School
APRIL

#### APKIL

1st Uniform Swap Event (3pm)

**5th** Parents Evening (Y1, 2, 4)

**6th** Parents Evening (Y1, 2, 4)

**25th** Swimming starts (Y3&5)

### JUNE

**9th** Swimming starts (Y5&6) **13th** Sports Day (provisional time TBC)

16th Reserve Sports Day
20th Y5 Bikeability Week
27th - 29th Y4 Residential

JULY

7th End of Term for children 8th Jubilee Holiday lieu day 11th INSET Day

12th INSET Day

More dates will follow ...

<u>EYFS Parent evenings</u> <u>Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th</u> <u>March</u>

We look forward to seeing you over these dates.

#### Parent Pay Balances

Please can you look at your balances for any fees owed, the office will be making calls and sending out letters soon regarding monies owed any questions please speak to the office.