



HIGFORD NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM 2

Key Dates

- **6th January**- first day back at school
- **7th February**- Number Day
- **11th February**- Safer Internet Day
- **17th- 28th February**- Half term
- **3-8th March**- National Careers week
- **6th March**- World Book Day- children to dress as their favourite book character.
- **21st March**- **Red Nose Day**-Wear red/ bake sale
- **11th April**- End of term

Hi all,

It has been another great half term at Higford for the students where we have continue our work on festivals and celebrations. Next term our topic will be 'Space' and there are some exciting learning opportunities planned. Thank you to those who attended this years Christmas Family Fun Days. It was lovely to see the students engaging with their families during these and nice to see that having two smaller events was more beneficial for the students rather than the busyness of being all together like in previous years.

This week there have also been a number of other festive activities including trips to Apley Farm's Christmas event, Christmas dinner and then ending with a Christmas buffet and disco on Friday.

I will be going on maternity leave at the end of January. Tina Darkes will take over the role of Interim Headteacher whilst I am off. She has been in school for the past month getting to know all of the students and staff and I am confident the school is in strong hands. Our new Deputy Headteacher, Jenna Johnson, will also be starting January. I will, of course, remain in contact with the school throughout my leave and will return in October.

We have a had a few changes to our leadership structure over the past term to further strengthen the leadership team and the progress these teams are now making is great to see. I have attached a copy of the leadership structure for you all to see.

Wishing you a wonderful break.

Sam



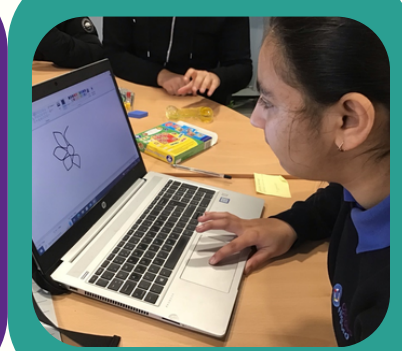
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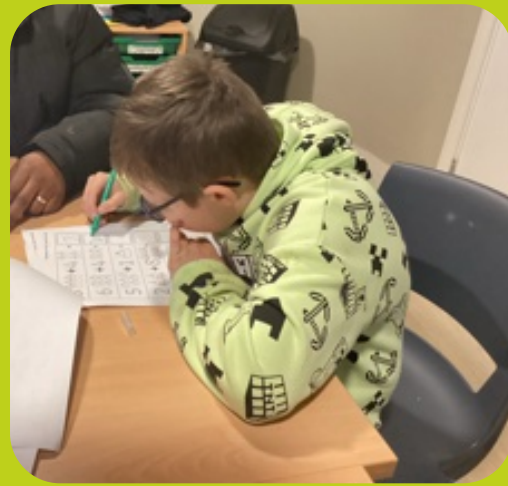


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OUR LEARNING THIS TERM

Jesse enjoyed using the whiteboard for his phonics.



Connor has been working hard on his Maths.

Henry enjoyed using the interactive projector to make choices.



Some of Class 12 enjoyed a lovely festive walk at Attingham Park this term.

Online safety

We continue to teach and support online safety throughout all we do. We would like to share the below website which has some developmentally appropriate guidance for parents in case it is of use.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/schools-esafety/pre-school/#early-years-resources-parents>

Parent Questionnaire

We will be sending out a parent questionnaire shortly. We would be really grateful for your views.

Uniform

We ask that you continue to send named wellies/ appropriate footwear in as well as waterproofs that can be left in school as we are outside quite a lot throughout the week.

We also ask that you send in a PE kit for your child including white t-shirt, blue/ black joggers or shorts and trainers if they do not already wear these.