



Growing together,

Every day,

In every way.



Spring B - Week 1 - Friday 2nd March 2018



Thank you to everyone for your support and understanding on Friday and the need to close the school due to adverse weather conditions. The decision is never made lightly and is agreed jointly with 7 other head teachers from the Coleshill area with the health and safety of all stakeholders always at the centre of any decisions made. Because we were closed on Friday, our 'Friday' newsletter is being sent out today.



Huge Congratulations Mr and Mrs Howells



Huge congratulations to Mr and Mrs Howells who tied the knot at Shustoke Farm Barns over the half term holiday. Mrs Howells (nee Davies) looked beautiful and wishes to thank everyone who contributed to gifts, sent best wishes and turned up at school to congratulate her and her husband on the day; 'you all made it extra special'

storytelling schools

where every child is a storyteller



The Warwickshire Consortium
Teaching School Alliance



Growing together,

Every day,

In every way.



Mother's Day Tea Parties



Throughout this week our annual Mother's Day tea parties are running. The children are really excited about this special event and are looking forward to spoiling their mummy on the day. A gentle reminder that we request that NO SIBLINGS are brought along to the tea party, just mummy's please. If mum is unable to attend then please arrange for nanny or an auntie to come along instead so each child has a 'lady' to pamper! The dates and times are as follows...

Date	Time/place	Activity
Wednesday 7 th March	High Meadow Infant School Hall 2.00pm	Reception Robins Mother's Day tea party
Thursday 8 th March	High Meadow Infant School Hall 2.00pm	Year 1 Mother's Day tea party
Friday 9 th March	High Meadow Infant School Hall 2.00pm	Year 2 Mother's Day tea party



Blocky Bots Day



Well, we certainly started the week with a bang! On the first day back the children were lucky enough to participate in the fantastic Blocky Bots Workshops. Kindly funded by the PTFA, every child built and programmed a robot! All of the children were fully engaged throughout the workshops and lots of new computing learning developed across the day. Take a look at our twitter page <https://twitter.com/HMInfants> for a range of photos as well as your class Home Room pages.



storytelling schools
where every child is a storyteller



The Warwickshire Consortium
Teaching School Alliance



Growing together,

Every day,

In every way.



Last Thursday the whole school went Book Crazy! It was fantastic seeing all of the children dressing up as 'What I want to be when I grow up' with palaeontologists, vets, doctors, nurses, authors, computer scientists and lots of teachers too! We began our celebrations of World Book Day with an assembly where we showed photos of past pupils wearing their High Meadow uniforms and then photos of them doing the amazing jobs that are doing now! Our alumni include scientists, filmmakers, photographers, engineers and designers to name but a few! This reinforced our message that if you come to High Meadow and work really hard and be the best that you can possibly be, then you can be whoever you want to be!

The rest of the day was filled with a whole range of exciting 'bookish' activities and finished with a book swap in the school hall. Thank you to those parents who sent their child in with a book to swap. To ensure that EVERY child went home with a book, school donated extra books to the event so no child missed out. Take a look on Home Room at all of the lovely activities that the children enjoyed throughout the day.

storytelling schools
where every child is a storyteller



Artsmark
AWARDED BY ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND



The Warwickshire Consortium
Teaching School Alliance



Growing together,

Every day,

In every way.



storytelling schools
where every child is a storyteller



Artsmark
AWARDED BY ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND



The Warwickshire Consortium
Teaching School Alliance



Growing together,

Every day,

In every way.



Easter Eggstravaganza



Can you believe it...our PTFA Easter Eggstravaganza is less than 3 weeks away!! It is on Friday 23rd March from 2.00pm - 4.00pm in the school hall. Parents are welcome to join us from 3.00pm. So, with this in mind, we will be asking for donations for prizes over the next few weeks. Our first request is for donations of Easter eggs for the Easter Egg Tombola. Any size and type of eggs would be gratefully received; however, they do need to be chocolate... ha, ha, ha! Please send your donation to your child's classroom this FRIDAY 10th MARCH.

In the past, we have asked children to create Easter jars which we then sold at the Easter Eggstravaganza. This year we are going to try something new! We would like children to EITHER...

1. Decorate an egg
2. Create an Easter garden

And bring them into school on the day of the Eggstravaganza. There will be prizes for each category in each year group. Here are a few ideas to get the creative juices flowing....



storytelling schools

where every child is a storyteller



The Warwickshire Consortium
Teaching School Alliance



Growing together,

Every day,

In every way.



Tissues Donations



Due to the run of illnesses before the half term break, we have now run out of boxes of tissues completely. Thank you to those parents who have already donated in September. This is a call out to those who have yet to donate just one box of tissues to school. These are used in each of the classrooms for the children to use for sniffles and snuffles throughout the year. Please hand to your child's class teacher in the morning, thank you for your support in this.



Book Club March 28th 2018



Our Book Club book this half term is "Amelia Earhart" by Isabel Sanchez Vegera. We are offering copies of this wonderful book for a discounted price of £7.00 (rrp £9.99). Copies can be bought from the school office. Book Club will meet on Wednesday 28th March for a fun afternoon of discussion, games and crafts with Miss Davies. We do ask that you share the book a few times with your child before the session so that they are familiar with the story.



A Gentle Facebook Reminder



Please remember that the High Meadow Parents Facebook page is a vehicle to share and remind each other about events and activities taking place at school. It is not an appropriate place to raise concerns or worries. Teachers do not have the opportunity to respond to anything posted on there, and I am sure you would agree that a face-to-face conversation is a far more appropriate way to resolve any worries. School does not 'own' or have 'admin rights' to the page but because our school name is in the title, then we have to protect the integrity of the page. Thank you for your support in this.

storytelling schools
where every child is a storyteller



The Warwickshire Consortium
Teaching School Alliance



Growing together,

Every day,

In every way.



Our High Meadow Superstars!



Here at High Meadow we know the importance of rewarding and recognizing the fantastic efforts your children go to, to be the best they can possibly be. However, due to the snow the Awards assembly was cancelled. We look forward to starting this again this Friday.



Attendance - 'Every Child Attending Every Day'



Good attendance (97%+) is key to academic success and missing just one or two days each half term can have a detrimental impact on a child's learning and progress. The LA may send out fines to families who are deemed to be 'persistently absent'. Our Attendance Policy can be found on our school website if you need further clarification.

How does your child compare?

Attendance during one school year	equals this number of days absent	which is approximately this many weeks absent	which means this number of lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons

Our target for this year is 97%. Last week we achieved 95.8% which is below our target (the snow day and teacher training days are not counted so do not affect the overall percentages) Hopefully this week we will see every child in every day...just like Reception Robins last week!

Position	% attendance	Class
FIRST PLACE	100%	YR Robins
SECOND PLACE	95.6%	Y2 Barn Owls
THIRD PLACE	91.8%	Y1 Blackbirds

storytelling schools
where every child is a storyteller



The Warwickshire Consortium
Teaching School Alliance



Growing together,

Every day,

In every way.

School Events and Activities

March 2018

Date	Time/place	Activity
Wednesday 7 th March	Coleshill Primary School All day	Y2 Integration Day with Andy Warne
Wednesday 7 th March	High Meadow Infant School Hall 2.00pm	Reception Robins Mother's Day tea party
Thursday 8 th March	High Meadow Infant School Hall 2.00pm	Year 1 Mother's Day tea party
Friday 9 th March	High Meadow Infant School Hall 2.00pm	Year 2 Mother's Day tea party
Friday 23 rd March	2.00pm - 4.00pm High Meadow Infant School Hall	PTFA Easter Extravaganza Everyone welcome from 3.00pm onwards

Last day of term - Thursday 29th March.



Our Golden Rule focus for this half term is



'We are gentle; we don't hurt others'

In PSHE this half term we are learning about



Healthy Me!



We are learning that to be Healthy we need to...

- Learn how to keep our bodies healthy
- Know what makes us relaxed or stressed
- Learn how medicines work to make us better

storytelling schools
where every child is a storyteller



The Warwickshire Consortium
Teaching School Alliance



Growing together,

Every day,

In every way.

- Learn which foods our bodies need to keep healthy
- Learn to make healthy snacks
- Learn how to keep ourselves safe from harm and abuse

kindest regards

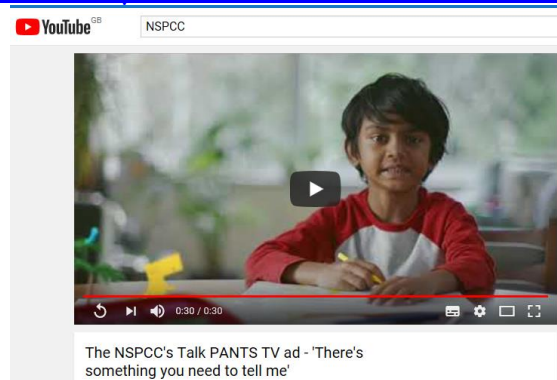
Mrs Debby Hughes - Head teacher head2569@welearn365.com

Mr Jonathan Smith - Chair of Governors governors2569@welearn365.com

[Keeping our children safe, every day, in every way.](#)

Keeping your child safe from sexual abuse -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nMIKUsZjirA>



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yyalcd955lq>



storytelling schools
where every child is a storyteller



Artsmark
AWARDED BY ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND



The Warwickshire Consortium
Teaching School Alliance



Growing together,

Every day,

In every way.

Keeping your child safe on-line -

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

THINK UK KNOW

I would like advice on...

Home Get Advice Concerned about your child? How to get help Who are we? Support tools

Keep your children safe from harm

storytelling schools
where every child is a storyteller



The Warwickshire Consortium
Teaching School Alliance