

# Highnam C of E Primary Academy



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**CHILDREN WITH CONFIDENCE**

8TH JUNE 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

During the last month, the pupils have continued to enjoy their learning and it has been a pleasure to see the progress they are making. Our Reception pupils enjoyed China Day on the final day of term 5 and each of the infant and EYFS classes have been put through their paces with coach Keith and Didi Rugby training. The GCC health and safety team has advised that at present all school based Covid measures should continue so thank you for wearing your masks on site, maintaining social distancing and using the staggered drop off and pick up slots.

## Staff News

During this term, I will be splitting my week between Hartpury and Highnam schools. As we plan for September at Highnam I am pleased to announce Miss Owen has been appointed acting Deputy Headteacher at Highnam and Miss Poole (currently covering Mrs Trotman's maternity leave) will continue with us for the 21/22 academic year. Congratulations to both of them.

## The Highnam Curriculum

Each week the pupils have been engaged in a variety of learning opportunities. This photos show some of the learning which has taken place: Pupils in Year 4 have been honing their cross stitch skills, pupils in Year 2 have been learning about the Great Fire of London and seeing how quickly the fire spread from Pudding Lane. The pupils in Year 1 have been learning about plants and growing cress and then used the cress to make some tasty sandwiches. Thank you to all involved in preparing and facilitating these learning experiences for our pupils.



**OPAL**

A big thank you for all the donations received for the OPAL choosing shed on the playground. Each class is having time at the different zones available. The wheeled play slot and the Highnam beach have been a real hit this term. The pupils are having a great time! Remember if you are having a sort out at home - see whether the items could be re-purposed for the Highnam OPAL playtimes.

**Collective Worship**

A reminder we will be sharing the pupils' learning this term through a special online collective worship. The showing will be available on the following days:

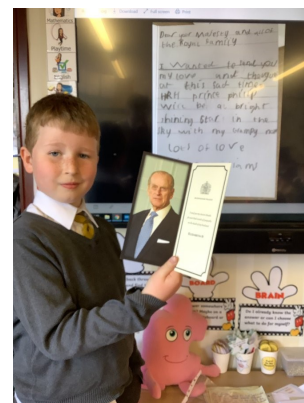
Reception	Friday 9th July
Year 1	Friday 2nd July
Year 2	Friday 18th June
Year 3	Friday 16th July
Year 4	Friday 25th June
Year 5	Friday 11th June
Year 6	Weds 21st July Leavers' Service

**Relationships and Sex Education**

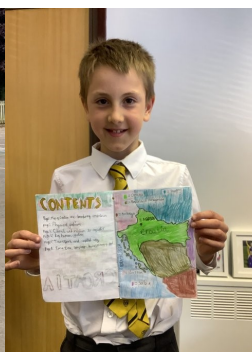
You may receive a dojo/email outlining the content to be shared during this term in your child's PSHE lessons. Please speak to Miss Coldrick, the PSHE coordinator if you have any further queries.

Well done to Oliver, in Year 2 who sent a letter to the royal family to express his sadness at the death of Prince Phillip. He was delighted to receive a reply.

Lovely to see the school value of compassion on display.



We enjoyed a cricket day last month, Year 4 produced some great Europe projects, we welcomed PC Steer to talk to pupils about being safe online and Year 1 made some delicious cupcakes.

**School Calendar**

Monday	7th June	Inset Day (pupils not in school)
Tuesday	8th June	Start of term 6
Tuesday	22nd June	Key Stage Two Sports Day
Mon-Fri	5-9th July	Year 6 Residential
		Key Stage 1 Sports Day
Mon-Weds	14th-16th July	Year 5 Cycling Proficiency
Monday	19th July	Year 6 BBQ
Wednesday	21st July	Year 6 Leavers' Service at 2pm



Oh and Year 6 dissected some pig hearts during their science lesson!

*We will inform you as soon as we receive updated guidance as to whether parents can attend Sports Day*

Kind regards, Stephen Dean, Headteacher