

# Highlees News



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Dear Parents

Well the snow has brought some much needed happiness to the children. We have loved seeing all the photos on the google classroom.

I would like to thank you all for your ongoing support during this challenging time. I am really proud that the school community has pulled together to support one another, your positive comments have really helped the school staff.

I know homeschooling can bring its challenges but you are all doing such a great job! 90% of our children were engaged in their learning last week.

Keep up the hard work – Stay Safe  
Mrs Stroud the Team at Highlees



## Online Safety

With our children spending more time at home on online devices over the coming weeks.

I would urge you, as parents, to find some time to talk with your child about their online behaviour and personal safety, to review your child's online usage with them, and to check your child's privacy settings. There is some useful information regarding online safety at the link below

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/>

It has never been more important to discuss online safety with our children.

Please look on our website for more helpful advice on supporting your children online.



**Be smart on internet**

**S SAFE** Keep safe by being careful not to give out personal information like: chatting or posting online. Personal information includes your email address, phone number and password.

**M MEETING** Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Only do so with your parents' or carer's permission and even then only when they can be present. Remember online friends are not strangers even if you have been talking to them for a long time.

**A ACCEPTING** Accepting emails, text messages or opening files, pictures or links from people you don't know or that can lead to problems – they may contain viruses or nasty language!

**R RELIABLE** Someone online might lie about who they are and information on the internet may not be true. Always check information with other websites, books or someone who knows.

**T TELL** Tell your parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone is bothering you, you feel uncomfortable or worried, or if you or someone you know is being bullied online. You can report online abuse to the police at www.reportonline.co.uk

**www.kidsmart.org.uk**

KidSMART: Staff at Highlees Primary School will also interactive games and fun on-line safety lessons. You can also share your favourite activities and online safety tips by sharing them with people all around the world!

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## Highlees Website

Please have a look at our website, we have added a new section called: **REMOTE LEARNING**

In this folder you will find information around the google classroom

Information COVID-19 Remote Learning News & Events Parents



## Food Bank

If you need any support with food then please contact school.

Our next food bank in on **TUESDAY 2nd FEBRUARY**



## Google Classroom and Tapestry

The engagement within remote learning is fantastic. The teachers are working hard to look at how we can improve the google classroom. Please be patient with us.

Can I just remind you that the children need to complete ALL of the daily learning set for them to achieve a mark on the register.

## Free School Meals

We have moved to the fortnightly vouchers.

Please let the school office know if you feel your circumstances have changed and you may be entitled of claim free school meals

Stuck for ideas to feed the little ones? Here are some healthy lunch planners for you to try..  
<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/lunch/cheap-lockdown-lunch-ideas>



CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

POSITIVE  
 NEGATIVE

## Positive Covid Case

It is important that you contact the school office if someone in your household has a positive test.

Even if your child is not attending school.

[highleesoffice@hefed.org](mailto:highleesoffice@hefed.org)

01733 264294



## Safeguarding Calls

It is our statutory duty to ensure that all children are safe and well.

Staff will be calling at least every fortnight to talk to your child. This is to say hello and check they are doing okay and managing their work.

**PLEASE ENSURE YOU ANSWER THE PHONE TO SCHOOL OR RING US BACK**

If we are unable to get hold of you and your child has not completed any work we complete a home visit to check that everything is ok and well.

HOME VISITS

