

Higham Lane North Academy

NEWSLETTER



Friday 10th July 2026

This has been our penultimate week of the year and students have continued to impress us with their mature attitudes. We appreciate that everyone is becoming more tired as the term draws to a close (teachers included!) and are grateful that as a school, students and staff work together so harmoniously to ensure that learning remains calm and purposeful.

Transition events

This week we have hosted our transition events for our new cohort of North Stars. Our new staff have also been in school, meeting new students and teaching lessons.

Our new students embraced our school values on Wednesday and have begun learning our routines in earnest as part of their Transition Day on Wednesday. It has also been wonderful to welcome more families into our HLNA community and know that we will all continue to work together for the benefit of our young people.

Our current Year 7 leaders were exceptional in the way that they role modelled excellence to our new students and demonstrated fine leadership skills supporting our new staff and students throughout the day – we are very proud of their service to the school this week.



Pioneering Leadership Rewards Day

Today has been a magnificent celebration of pioneering leadership skills for our students! As part of their end of year rewards, all students took part in a range of exciting activities that they enjoyed immensely – whilst also building leadership and team building skills.

Today has probably been one of the real highlights for us as we have heard their screams of laughter, joy and encouragement with each other throughout the day!



Looking ahead to our final week

Next week, some of our students will be travelling to France for our first trip abroad – bon voyage! We look forward to hearing all about it! In lessons we will continue to bridge learning between Year 7 and Year 8 and we also have a wellbeing afternoon planned for Wednesday where students will be treated to a range of treats and experiences in recognition of their continued commitment to their learning throughout the year. We are also very much looking forward to our final rewards ceremony on Friday which promises to be extra-special, along with a fond look back at memories made as a year group and school in our founding year! Please remember that **school closes at 1.30pm** and there are no after-school clubs on this day. **Please also note that the library is closed on Wednesday and Thursday due to staff training.**

Warm temperatures and PE Kit



Students may continue to wear their PE kit for our final week if this makes them feel more comfortable in the continued warm weather or they may wear the usual school uniform. Please continue to ensure that your child has a water bottle, sun hat/cap and applies suncream. We will continue to monitor our daily risk assessment in light of any increasingly warm temperatures.



Finally,

Thank you for your continued support on during our penultimate week at HLNA. I hope that you and your families enjoy the weekend.

Best wishes,



Kirstie Robinson.
Headteacher
Higham Lane North Academy.

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE NEWSLETTER



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DATES and NOTES for your DIARY!

14th – 16th July – French Trip

15th July – Wellbeing Rewards Afternoon

17th July – Rewards Assembly and last day of term.

School will close at 1.30pm. There are no after school clubs/activities on this day.

BEDWORTH LIBRARY

OPEN MIC POETRY

Free!



**FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
13-17-YEARS-OLD**

**Tuesday 11th
August**

2pm - Free workshop with poet
Kurly McGeachie
3pm - Poetry Open Mic

SCAN
ME!



INCLUSIVE DANCE WORKSHOP & DANCE SOLO with Anjali Dancer HOLLY RISEBOROUGH

Anjali



This Summer, Anjali dancer Holly Riseborough will be sharing her new solo performance, based on her life, followed by a workshop for Teens where you can explore your own creative ideas

WEDNESDAY
**22
JULY**
2-3.30PM



Lillington
Library



Free!



Teens



Book on
Eventbrite or ask
a member of staff

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Safe Heard Valued

HIGHAM LANE NORTH ACADEMY SAFEGUARDING

If you ever have a concern about the safety or wellbeing of a student, please do not hesitate to get in touch. During the school day, you can contact Miss Charles by phone to discuss any concerns. If the concern arises outside of school hours, you can email the safeguarding team at safe@hlina.co.uk and a member of staff will respond as soon as possible.

Summer Safety: Keeping Children Safe During the Holidays



As we head into the summer break, we would like to remind families of some important safety messages that we have been reinforcing in school. Please can you reiterate these messages at home.

Water Safety

Warmer weather often encourages children and young people to spend more time near water. While swimming can be a fantastic way to stay active and cool down, it is important that children only swim in supervised, designated swimming locations such as public swimming pools, supervised beaches and organised water activity centres.

We strongly advise children and young people not to swim in rivers, canals, lakes, reservoirs, quarries or other open-water locations. These environments can contain hidden dangers including strong currents, cold-water shock, deep water, submerged objects and slippery banks. Please reinforce the following key messages:

- Only swim where there are trained lifeguards or responsible adults supervising.
- Never enter open water to cool off.
- Avoid dares, jumping into unknown water or playing near the edge of rivers, lakes and canals.
- Always tell an adult where you are going.



WATER SAFETY

HIGHAM LANE NORTH ACADEMY ENJOY THE WATER. STAY SAFE. SAVE LIVES.

IF SOMEONE GETS INTO DIFFICULTY IN THE WATER:

	CALL 999 IMMEDIATELY and ask for the Coastguard if at the coast, or for the Fire and Rescue Service if inland.	
	ENCOURAGE THEM TO FLOAT ON THEIR BACK and stay calm if they are able to.	
	THROW SOMETHING THAT FLOATS OR REACH WITH AN OBJECT if it is safe to do so.	
	DO NOT ENTER THE WATER YOURSELF. Many people who attempt rescues become casualties themselves.	

THE SAFEST RESCUE IS ALWAYS ONE THAT DOES NOT PUT ANOTHER PERSON AT RISK.



ALWAYS REMEMBER:

 Check the water and weather before you go.	 Wear a lifejacket where appropriate.	 Stay together and look out for each other.	 Follow any signs and local safety advice.	 In an emergency, call 999.
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★ BE A NORTH STAR: BE AWARE, BE PREPARED, BE SAFE. ★



Staying Safe in the Sun



Long summer days provide wonderful opportunities for outdoor play, exercise and family activities. However, it is important to protect children from the effects of excessive sun exposure.

Please encourage children to:

- Drink plenty of water throughout the day to stay hydrated.
- Take regular breaks in the shade, particularly during the hottest part of the day.
- Wear a hat that protects their face and neck.
- Wear suitable clothing that covers their shoulders where possible.
- Apply a high-factor sunscreen regularly and reapply according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- Be particularly careful near water, as sunlight reflects from the surface and can increase the risk of sunburn.

Signs of dehydration can include headaches, dizziness, tiredness and difficulty concentrating. Regular water intake is one of the best ways to stay safe during hot weather.

Mental Health and Wellbeing Support During the Summer Holidays

Although school is closed during the summer break, support is still available for children and young people who may be struggling with their emotional wellbeing or mental health.

RISE (Coventry and Warwickshire)



RISE is the local NHS-led emotional wellbeing and mental health service for children and young people in Coventry and Warwickshire. It provides a range of support including mental health advice, wellbeing resources, specialist services, group support and guidance for families. The service aims to help young people build resilience and access the right support when they need it. Families can also access the online Dimensions Tool and a wide range of wellbeing resources through the RISE website.

Website: www.cwrise.com

Telephone: 0300 200 2021

NSPCC Childline



Childline is a free, confidential service for children and young people under 19. Young people can talk to trained counsellors about anything that is worrying them, including anxiety, friendships, family issues, bullying, self-esteem, mental health concerns or feeling unsafe. Support is available 24 hours a day, every day of the year by phone or online.

Call: 0800 1111

Website: www.childline.org.uk

Kooth



Kooth is a free, safe and anonymous online mental wellbeing platform for young people. It offers access to trained professionals, online support, wellbeing activities, moderated discussion forums, self-help resources and journalling tools. Young people can access support at a time that suits them and do not need a referral. Kooth is available throughout the year and can be a helpful first step for those wanting support with their emotional wellbeing.

Website: www.kooth.com

Where can I turn for help outside of school?



Access free and anonymous mental health support. Including free online counselling.
www.kooth.com



Meditation and mindfulness app to help manage stress, build focus and improve sleep.
www.headspace.com



Mental health support for young people.
www.mind.org.uk
Telephone: 02476552847



A free, confidential text-based support service for anyone in the UK in crisis
Text: 'SHOUT' to 85258



A charity that works to prevent suicide amongst young people.
Telephone: 0800 068 4141



A charity that supports young people experiencing anxiety.
Website:
www.anxietyuk.org.uk



A branch of CAMHS providing services to support emotional wellbeing and improved mental health.
www.cwrise.com



Confidential advice on safety, bullying and family issues.
www.nspcc.org.uk
Telephone: 0808 800 5000



Support for young people and their families following a death.
www.cruse.org.uk



You can talk to ChildLine about anything. No problem is too big or too small.
Telephone 08001111



The Samaritans offer a 24 hour service if you need emotional support.
Telephone 116 123



Specialist emotional support for under 16s.
Telephone 0300 304 7000