

High View Primary School

Opportunities to Thrive



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Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to school for the start of an exciting new academic year! I hope you all had a wonderful and restful summer break. We are pleased to welcome back our returning High View Heroes and extend a special welcome to all our new High View families joining us this year. We are incredibly excited about the year ahead and are committed to making it a positive, enriching, and successful experience for every child.

Upcoming Dates

Parent Welcome Meetings We would love to welcome you to our Parent Welcome Meetings to discuss the year ahead for your child's specific year group. Class teachers will be leading these meetings in their classrooms. Please look for the relevant year group below:

Year 1: Monday 14th September 3pm - 3:20pm

Year 2: Tuesday 15th September 3pm - 3:20pm

Year 3: Thursday 17th September 3pm - 3:20pm

Year 4: Tuesday 8th September 3pm - 3:20pm

Year 5: Thursday 10th September 3pm - 3:20pm

Year 6: Monday 7th September 2:40pm - 3:20pm

Welcome to our Early Years New Starters

We are very much looking forward to welcoming all of our EYFS children to the Stay and Play sessions on **Thursday 10th September**. These sessions are a wonderful opportunity for children to begin settling into their new environment and for families to meet our team. Families of children who are new to the school will also have a chance to speak with staff during their home visit, while families of our returning children are warmly encouraged to speak with teachers during the Stay and Play sessions.

Nursery Stay and Play: 9:00am - 10:00am
Reception Stay and Play: 10:30am - 11:30am

Pupil Voice Groups - Speak Up, Be Heard, Create Change!

We believe strongly in empowering our children; our Pupil Voice groups are a fantastic opportunity for them to contribute to school life. The application deadline for a variety of Pupil Voice groups will be announced shortly. Interviews for interested pupils will then take place shortly after. More to follow!

Smartphone Ban

Only pupils in Years 5 and 6 may bring a 'basic' mobile phone to school; this must be with parental consent. 'Basic' means a mobile phone with no internet, camera, photo/video or social media capability. **Smartphones are not permitted**, even if mobile data or apps have been disabled. Permitted phones must be handed to the class teacher each morning and will be stored securely until the end of the school day.

If a pupil brings a smartphone to school, it will be confiscated and a parent/carer will be required to collect it; the child will not be allowed to take it home. Please also note that High View accepts no responsibility for the loss, theft or damage of any phone brought onto the school site, which is done entirely at the owner's risk.

Roles and Responsibilities

As we begin the year, I would like to introduce our team and highlight some key roles that ensure our school runs smoothly and effectively:

Our Phase Leaders play a vital role in overseeing specific age groups:

- **Mrs Edgson**: EYFS (Early Years and Foundation Stage) Interim Lead.
- **Miss Slack**: Year 1 to 3 Phase Lead (Lower School Lead).
- **Mrs Linehan**: Year 4 to 6 Interim Phase Lead (Upper School Lead).

We also have a dedicated team supporting your children's well-being and development, including **Mrs Boylan**, our Family Support Worker, and **Mrs Porter** and **Mrs Hope**, our Emotional Literacy Support Assistants (ELSAs).

High View benefits from specialist teachers such as **Mrs Hazell**, our Performing Arts Specialist, and **Mr Schmidt**, our PE Instructor, who teaches PE to every class from year 1 to 6, supervises lunchtime activities, and runs after-school sports clubs. We are pleased that every class accesses outdoor learning sessions taught by **Miss Masters**, our Forest School Teacher.

Other positions and /or responsibilities held by teaching and non teaching staff include:

Office Team	Mrs Beard Mrs Moth Mrs Webb	Clubs, parents evening, website and pupil care plans Admissions, School Fund, curriculum trips and workshops Attendance, school meals, residentials and parent readers
Premises Team	Mr Kirby	Premises Manager
Violin Teacher	Miss Dagmara	Peripatetic Teacher
Nursery Ducklings	Mrs Williams	ECT Mentor (HR), Year 1 Continuous Provision Lead, Alternative Provision Lead

Reception Sparrows Robins	Miss Roberts Mrs Edgson	Geography Lead Interim EYFS Lead, History Lead
Year 1 Squirrels Hedgehogs	Miss Bernard Miss Slack	Art and DT Lead Lower School Phase Leader, Early Reading (Phonics and Key Stage 1 Reading) Leader
Year 2 Moles Rabbits	Mrs Mason Miss Baker	Computing and Online Safety Lead Early Careers Teacher
Year 3 Badgers Foxes	Miss Beeney Miss Dowling	PSHE Lead, ECT Mentor Spanish Lead, Student, Volunteers and Trainee Teacher Placement Lead
Year 4 Doves Nightingales	Miss Chowdhury Miss Panell	Maths, Curriculum Diversity and Reading Engagement Early Careers Teacher
Year 5 Falcons Kestrels	Miss Eggitt Miss Warren	Music Lead, Digital Lead PE Lead
Year 6 Woodpeckers Kingfishers	Mrs Linehan Mrs Thompson	Science Leader, Interim Upper School Lead Interim English Lead (writing, KS2 reading, handwriting, oracy and disciplinary writing Lead)

As well as the headteacher, our Senior Leadership Team (SLT) includes:

- **Mr Taylor (Deputy Head Teacher):** responsible for Teaching and Learning, Assessment, Curriculum, Educational Visits, the PTFA liaison, staff Continuing Professional Development (CPD) and Teacher Cover. Mr Taylor is also a Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.
- **Miss Archer (Assistant Head Teacher):** Miss Archer is our Designated Safeguarding Lead and oversees Attendance, Behaviour, Pupil Voice, and the induction of our Early Career Teachers (ECTs).
- **Mrs Kirby (Inclusion Lead):** Mrs Kirby is a Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead, leads on SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disability) and inclusion, Pupil Premium, EAL (English as an Additional Language), TA (Teaching Assistant) Line Manager, and Mental Health and Wellbeing Support. Mrs Kirby also supervises TA cover.
- **Mrs Riches (School Business Manager):** Mrs Riches is also a Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead while ensuring the smooth financial and operational running of the school.

Premises Update!

We've had a busy summer with significant improvements to our school environment, all designed to enhance our facilities and provide an even better learning and play spaces for our children:

- The women's staff toilets have been completely refurbished (mirror still be installed!).
- Year 5 and 6 classrooms have been refurbished with new carpet installations, the removal of 1932 tired-looking wall panelling, and finished with a fresh skim and a calm coat of paint!
- Our nursery has had new kitchen work surfaces and cupboards installed, to include access within the classroom to filtered drinking water for staff and children.
- Mr Kirby has painted all the high traffic areas with the corridors and stairwells. Looking fresh!

Staff Baby News!

Congratulations to Miss Hill and Mrs Metwally who have each given birth to their first born bouncing babies, during the summer holiday. Miss Hill has a baby girl and Mrs Metwall, a baby boy. We look forward to meeting our newest High View heroes and wish them all the best!

Please remember to follow High View on X (@highviewprsch) and Instagram (@highviewprimary) for updates and news. We look ahead to a fantastic and productive school year filled with learning, growth, and memorable experiences for all our children.

Thank you

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mr Claxton', with a stylized, flowing script.

Mr Claxton

Head Teacher