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**Letters sent home & e-School messages this week:** Young Voices (Y4), Choir Club, School Photos, Governorship, School Meals Menu Census Day (Rec to Y2), Update to Attendance Law

Dear all

It has been back to 'business as usual', with all of our new Nursery and Reception children having done a full week. Routines and relationships in every class are becoming more and more effective and learning is progressing well. Thank you for all that you do as parents and carers to facilitate this. I know it is not always easy, but it is very much appreciated.

Today, we invited parents and carers to come along to see our Friday Assembly and to find out more about support for Highworth Friends, our Parent Teacher Association. There was a great turnout with many more people than expected kindly coming along to find out more. As a result, it looks like we will have a strengthened committee and be able to make our events even better with more volunteers. Our aim this year is to raise £5000 to purchase more laptops for pupil use so the additional support will be invaluable in providing better IT opportunities for your children.

Sadly, it seems it is back to 'business as usual' with dangerous parking. It is obvious to me that obstructing the pavement at the entrance of a school is not sensible, but this person doesn't seem to have thought about how children and families with push chairs will get past without having to walk in to a busy road. Please think before you park and avoid your car being the next one to feature in a newsletter!



Best wishes for a happy weekend.

Clare Pankhania

### ATTENDANCE

To report your child's absence please phone and leave a message or send an email to:

[reception@highworthcombined.co.uk](mailto:reception@highworthcombined.co.uk)

**SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 96%**

**BEST ATTENDANCE: 98.6%**

**(CLASS 1K)**

**WELL DONE**

**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:**

**95.1%**

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES THIS WEEK:

#### Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September

Individual & Sibling School Photographs

#### Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September

**9am:** Bags2School collection.

Please leave bags under the tree at the front of the school

#### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September

**NO** Mutli-skills or Handball Club today

**3pm:** Football Match v Castlefield

**6pm:** Remote Meeting for Parents/Carers of Y6 children attending the Marchants Hill Residential Trip (link to follow)

## PARENT ZONE

### **SIGN OF THE WEEK**



#### Understand

To know and comprehend the nature or meaning of

*"She did not understand her husband";*

*"I understand what she means";*

Follow this link to see how to sign understand:

<https://www.signbsl.com/sign/understand>

## PTA NEWS

Bags2School is back! Why not get your children involved in a late spring clean this half term?

Bags2School will be collecting from our school on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September**. Bags were sent home earlier this week, but feel free to take additional bags from home if you have more to donate!

Please ensure donations are left at the front of school **under the tree by 9am**.

Please place donations in a secure bag that has been tied. Please use multiple bags rather than overfilling, to avoid breakage.



## WHAT WE COLLECT

We accept the following **'good quality'** items for RE-USE\*:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)