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Newsletter 30^h September 2022 Issue 4

Letters sent home & e-School messages this week: Y3 Choir Club, Y4 Recorder Club, Young Voices Tickets & t-Shirt Order(Y4), PTA Fireworks Order Form, PTA Treasurer & Chair Report, Local Walk (Y1), Annual Parent Survey Results

Dear all

We have almost made it through a whole week without disruption for the first time since the start of the year!

Children in Years 5 and 6 had the opportunity this week to participate in 'Bikeability', a course on safe cycle riding. It was much enjoyed by all and means that those who participated are ready to cycle safely to school. This link will take you to some photographs: https://www.highworth.bucks.sch.uk/web/bikeability_training/623217

It was the Annual General Meeting of Highworth Friends (our Parent Teacher Association) on Tuesday. We had a brilliant turn out of new parents, some of whom have bravely agreed to take on roles within the committee. More details will follow, but a big thank you from me if you came along to get involved. If you weren't able to attend, but would like to know more, please email: highworthfriends@gmail.com

Teachers are attending several Inset training sessions after school this year. The first of these sessions was held on Wednesday evening on the theme of 'Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion'. I hope I speak for all present when I say that it was both interesting and productive.

Photographs of all children and sibling groups were taken on Tuesday. Proofs will be sent out shortly; we hope you will want to order lots for family and friends!

Congratulations to Mrs Sturgeon and Mr Leslie for all of their hard work in achieving the Bronze Award for school games. Please see the letter overleaf for more information.

Finally, from me this week, notification that there will be a mufti-day on Friday 14th October. If you are able to make a small donation for the One Can Trust (Wycombe's local food bank) we would be very grateful. Please see link to current items in short supply: <https://onecantrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Shopping-List-single.pdf>

Best wishes for an enjoyable weekend.

Clare Pankhania

ATTENDANCE

The display board at the front of the school shows each year group's weekly attendance.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 96%

BEST ATTENDANCE 98.7%

(CLASS 1PD)

EXCELLENT

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

95.4%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES THIS WEEK:

Fri 7th October – Sun 9th October

Y6 Residential Trip to Marchants Hill

Highworth Combined
School and Nursery
Achieve Bronze School
Games Mark 2021/22



We are delighted to announce that we, Highworth Combined School and Nursery, have achieved the School Games Bronze Mark Award for the 2021/22 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward and recognise school's engagement (provision and uptake) in the School Games against a national benchmark and to celebrate keeping young people active, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

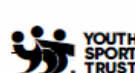
Our physical activity and school sport achievements this year include:
Finishing 12th in the county-wide Commonwealth Games Cup (2nd in Wycombe).
The school's excellent engagement with school and home challenges.

We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of physical activity and school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our events possible. We are committed to using the School Games to try and engage those young people who haven't previously been active or represented our school and to try and ensure that all our students have a positive experience and want to try out new activities beyond school too in our community. We believe in the power of physical activity and school sport as a school and give opportunities to those young people that need it most either as a participant, leader, official or volunteer.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas linked to the five School Games outcomes and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to:
Mrs Sturgeon and all the PE staff for delivering an excellent PE curriculum.

We look forward to applying once again in 2023!



Highworth Friends presents



FIREWORKS NIGHT

COME ALONG & BRING
YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILY!

Thursday 20th October
Starts at 6.00pm
Fireworks at 7.45pm

Treasure Hunt, Hot Food, Drinks, Candy Floss, Lucky
Dip and other fun games on the night!

ORDER YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

Family Ticket @ £20.00

(2 Adults, 2 Children or 1 Adult, 3 Children)

Adults @ £6.00

Child @ £5.00

(Under 3s FREE)

Please return the slip from your child's school bag with
correct money to get your tickets. If you have any questions,
please email Highworthfriends@gmail.com



Please bring CASH as NO card payment facilities

For safety reasons, please DO NOT bring your own fireworks or sparklers. Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult

Please return your order form with your payment in a sealed envelope
as soon as possible.

PARENT ZONE



The chance to connect with like-minded people who have walked in your shoes.

Walking With You is a parent led support group for anyone supporting children and young people, up to the age of 25, experiencing mental health difficulties.

You can take part discussing shared experiences with other parents and carers as well as having **mental health professionals from CAMHS** on-hand to support and answer any questions you may have.

Currently sessions are being ran by Microsoft Teams. you can join or leave as any point (meetings are not recorded).

Our next three sessions are:

Friday September 23rd 10-11.30

Anxiety and challenges around going back to school

Friday October 14th 10-11.30

School avoidance and exclusion

Friday November 25th 10-11.30

Gender dysphoria and gender difficulties

If you would like to join our session/s or would like further information, please contact:
Oma Nwajiuba, Participation Lead
at
ekeoma.nwajiuba@barnardos.org.uk
Please also confirm your consent to use your e-mail address.



**Buckinghamshire
Adult Learning**

Multiply

Half term family fun with free lunch

FREE

Millbrook Adult Learning Centre

Come along with your children and join us for a fun workshop to discover how your child can develop maths skills through play.

Wednesday, **October 26th from 10am - 1pm**

Open to children from Reception to Year 6.

Parent must attend

**Treasure
Hunt**

Coding

Cookery

**Goody
bag**

**Lego and Junk
Modelling**

To find out more and to enrol (**Booking is essential**): contact
Christina Katsimitsiri 07977155937
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Highcrest Adult Learning Centre

Come along with your children and join us for a fun workshop to discover how your child can develop maths skills through play.

Thursday, **October 27th from 10am - 1pm**

Open to children from Reception to Year 6.

Parent must attend

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