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Letters sent home & e-School messages this week: Easter Trail – Friday 4th April, Lost Property, Y3 Local Walk

Dear all

Firstly, to all celebrating over the forthcoming weekend, my warm wishes to pupils, staff, and families for a joyous and blessed Eid, filled with happiness, peace, and cherished moments together. Eid Mubarak!

On Wednesday, Year 1 had a fabulous time developing their understanding of transport from the past when they visited Didcot Railway Centre. The ride on the train was a particular highlight for all involved.

The Buckinghamshire Family Learning team joined us again on Thursday, this time for a Story Explorers session with parents, carers and children from Reception. Just as important as learning to read, is developing a love of reading; this session had great ideas for how to start children on their way to choosing to be lifelong readers.

On Thursday, some more teachers from another school visited us. This time to see the power of the Maths Meetings held in each class every day. Having people here to learn about effective teaching, and visits we make to other schools, is an important way of demonstrating to children that learning continues long into adulthood!

Please see below for the latest example of thoughtless parking. It should go without saying, that when parking outside a school, the pavement must be kept clear.



My 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

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 96%

BEST ATTENDANCE: 98.7%
(CLASS 6S/3H)

WELL DONE

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:
93.9%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Friday 4th April

9am: Easter Assembly – Y4 parents/carers are invited

PTA Mufti Day – Donations of Easter eggs for the Easter Trail

1:30pm: Easter Trail – children must be accompanied by their parent/carer

2:15pm SCHOOL FINISHES EARLY
please collect your child on time.

Monday 7th April to Monday 21st April

School closed for the Easter break

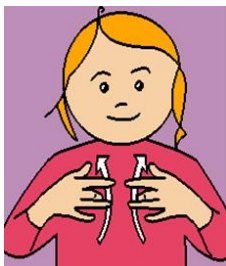
Tuesday 22nd April

Children return to school

Y4 swimming starts this week – children should come to school in their PE kit every day and bring their swimming shorts/costume.

PARENT ZONE

SIGN OF THE WEEK



feel (sense)

Follow this link to see how to sign 'feel' in BSL

[British Sign Language BSL Video Dictionary - feel](#)

PTA NEWS

EASTER TRAIL – FRIDAY 4TH APRIL - 1:30pm to 3:00pm

We will once again have an Easter Egg Hunt, this time to end our Spring Term on Friday 4th April from 1.30pm to 3pm.

The purpose, as well as having fun, is to raise much needed funds for the school at a time when budgets are tighter than ever.

School closes to all pupils for the Easter holiday at 2.15pm so please remember to collect your children from classrooms at this earlier time even if you are not taking part in the trail.

If you would like to participate in the event, please note the following arrangements:

- Collect your children from their classes as usual. You can do this any time between 1.30pm and 2.15pm
- Enter the school through the main entrance (past the offices) and go to the Hall where you can buy hunt sheets
- A 'one way' system will operate to reduce congestion so once you have purchased your hunt sheet or received your prize, please leave the hall via the Learning Lane and Nursery Garden (follow the signs)

We're expecting lots of people so please be patient with us if you have to queue longer than you would wish. Remember, many hands make light work so if you, or a family member, are able to volunteer to help run the event, we can make things run more smoothly.



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Family Learning



ONLINE SCHOOLS COURSES for PARENTS and CARERS

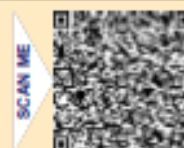
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RECEPTION

Getting Ready for Year 1 (5 weeks) [FMGC022](#)

Tuesday 22 Apr- 20 May

9:30am - 11:30am



RECEPTION WORKSHOPS

These workshops are listed in date order



DATE	TIMES	TITLE
Monday 28 April	9:30am - 11:30am	Story Workshop - The Fish Who Could Wish (FMFW081)
Wednesday 30 April	9:30am - 11:30am	Story Workshop - The Fish Who Could Wish (FMFW081)
Wednesday 7 May	9:30am - 11:30am	Developing Writing Through Stories (FMWS098)
Monday 12 May	9:30am - 11:30am	Help Your Child with Handwriting (FMHA009)
Wednesday 14 May	9:30am - 11:30am	Help Your Child with Handwriting (FMHA009)
Monday 19 May	9:30am - 11:30am	Developing Writing Through Stories (FMWS098)
Wednesday 21 May	9:30am - 11:30am	Fun Science Through Stories (FMSC010)
Wednesday 21 May	7:00pm - 9:00pm	Have Fun While Learning Outside (FMLO097)

RECEPTION WELLBEING WORKSHOPS

Wellbeing Workshops ([FMWB098](#))



Wednesday 23 April 9:30am - 11:30am

Wednesday 14 May 7:00pm - 9:00pm



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YEARS 1&2

Support Your Child with Writing and Grammar (5 weeks) [EMWG029](#)



Tuesday 22 Apr - 20 May	9:30am - 11:30am
Tuesday 22 Apr - 20 May	6:30pm - 8:30pm
Thursday 24 Apr - 22 May	9:30am - 11:30am



Support Your Child with Phonics and Reading (5 weeks) [EMPR064](#)

Wednesday 23 Apr- 21 May 9:30am - 11:30am



YEARS 1&2 WORKSHOPS



Monday 28 April	8:30pm - 8:30pm	Maths Reasoning and Problem Solving (EMMN028)
Monday 12 May	8:30pm - 8:30pm	Maths Through Stories (EMMN118)
Monday 19 May	8:30pm - 8:30pm	Help Your Child with Handwriting (EMWR102)

YEARS 1 TO 6

Money Matters - Teach Your Child the Value of Money (4 weeks) [EMMM100](#)



Tuesday 22 Apr - 20 May 12:30 noon - 2:30pm



YEARS 1 TO 6 WORKSHOPS



Wednesday 30 April	7:00pm - 9:00pm	Thinking About Volunteering Workshop (EMVW018)
Wednesday 7 May	9:30am - 11:30am	Help Your Autistic Child at Home Workshop (EMAC134)
Wednesday 7 May	7:00pm - 9:00pm	Healthy, Happy and Fun - Free Summer Holiday Ideas for you and your Child (EMWR051)

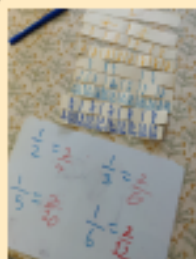


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YEARS 3&4

Support Your Child with Fractions, Decimals and Percentages (5 weeks) [EMFD106](#)



Wednesday 23 Apr - 21 May 9:30am - 11:30am

Wednesday 23 Apr - 21 May 6:30pm - 8:30pm



Help Your Child Tackle Maths Problems Workshop [EMMP007](#)

Monday 28 April

9:30am - 11:30am

YEARS 3-6

Support Your Child's Mental Arithmetic Skills Workshop [EMMA060](#)

Monday 19 May

9:30am - 11:30am



YEARS 5&6

Supporting Your Child with Geometry, Statistics and Measurements (5 weeks) [EMMS117](#)

Thursday 24 Apr - 22 May 9:30am - 11:30am

Thursday 24 Apr - 22 May 6:30pm - 8:30pm



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A FREE two-hour workshop for parents and carers of children in Buckinghamshire schools

Thinking About Volunteering Workshop ([FMVW018](#))

Build your confidence and explore volunteering as an optional step to start or return to employment.

 Wednesday 30th April, 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Help Your Autistic Child at Home Workshop ([FMAC134](#))

We will help you to understand autism and its characteristics. Help you create a supportive and inclusive environment for your child at home.

 Wednesday 7th May, 9:30am - 11:30 am

Healthy, Happy and Fun - Free Summer Holiday Ideas for you and your Child ([FMWB051](#))

Explore a range free of online, practical and outdoor activities in Buckinghamshire that you can do during the holidays.

 Wednesday 7th May, 7:00pm - 9:00pm

To book your FREE place, choose a date and contact our enrolment team on 01296 383582, scan the QR code or click on the link. For more information call/text Kathryn on 07770 641997.



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Primary Play Space

A free session for primary-aged children and their parents/carers. There will be a variety of crafts, games and activities for you to explore as a family. Snacks and drinks provided.



Berryfields
Family Centre
Tuesdays
3:15 to 4:45pm



Elmhurst
Family Centre
Thursdays
3:15 to 4:45pm

SCAN ME



No booking required



Wellbeing matters

for primary school aged children

One-day workshops for primary-aged young people where you will cover topics including wellbeing, emotions, self-esteem, resilience, and relationships with others.

Spaces are limited, secure your place now!

For more information, to find your nearest session or to book a place, **scan the QR code**.

If you need help completing the form or registering your interest please contact us by:

- Email: familyhubgroups@buckinghamshire.gov.uk
- Phone: **01296 383293**

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