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Letters sent home & e-School messages this week: Peripatetic Music (Y3-Y5), Parent Survey, Whole School Photograph Ready, Class Teachers 2022-2023,

Dear all

As I keep saying, it's a busy time at school and that has definitely been the case this week.

On Tuesday we welcomed parents and carers of children joining us in Reception and Nursery in the new year to our school community. After 2 years of having to do this via a screen, it was a joy to meet people in person.

Also on Tuesday, your child met their new teacher. Children and adults were very excited and enjoyed a range of 'getting to know you' activities.

On Thursday, children in Year 2 went on their trip to the seaside at Littlehampton. We paddled in the sea, made sandcastles and went on the mini train. Much fun was had by all!

Click on the link below to view the photographs.

https://www.highworth.bucks.sch.uk/web/year_2_seaside_trip/615117

I would like to bring you up to date with staff departures and arrivals for the new year.

Sadly, we are saying good bye to Mrs Horrocks who is moving to a role with more responsibility at another local school. Mrs Horrocks started her teaching career here at Highworth, and whilst we will miss her very much, we are thrilled that she has been given the opportunity to take her experience, skills and knowledge to a new setting. Also leaving us is Mrs Chivers who has decided that a shorter commute to work would be beneficial and is taking on a role at a school more local to home. She too will be much missed as both a member of the team and a parent. Miss Clearwater is also moving areas, to London to be nearer friends. Although she has not been with us long, I know that the children in her class will be left with fond memories of their time with her.

We have 2 new teachers joining us in September. Miss Ng, who will teach in Year 3, joins us from a school in Aylesbury. Mrs Qadeer will teach in Reception and has previously had experience in a number of local schools. In addition, 3 new recruits will join our support team; I will give a fuller introduction in September.

It looks like we will have some beautiful weather for the weekend; I hope you are able to enjoy it.

Very best wishes

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% (CLASS 5K)
WELL DONE**

**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:
90.35%**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday 12th July – 1.45pm

M & M Production – Oliver Twist

Wednesday 13th July – 7pm

Y6 Performance – Wizard of Oz

Thursday 14th July – 7pm

Y6 Performance – Wizard of Oz

Friday 15th July

School Reports to Parents

PARENT ZONE

Current guidance for families and staff if a Covid-19 infection is suspected

Revised list of symptoms of Covid 19, flu and other respiratory infections:

- continuous cough
- high temperature, fever or chills
- loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell
- shortness of breath
- unexplained tiredness, lack of energy
- muscle aches or pains that are not due to exercise
- not wanting to eat or not feeling hungry
- headache that is unusual or longer lasting than usual
- sore throat, stuffy or runny nose
- diarrhoea, feeling sick or being sick

Precautions to take:

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice is 3 days

Please use this information when determining if school attendance is safe and appropriate.