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Letters sent home & e-School messages this week: Graduation Ceremony (Nur), Pizza (Y2), Summer Disco, Mufti Day

Dear all

Phew! What a week. It has been busy... let me explain:

All week, we have been welcoming children and their parents and carers to 'Stay and Play' sessions in Nursery to help them know a little of what to expect when they join us in September. We hope those involved felt welcome. The team loved starting to get to know you all.

We have been completing displays to reflect the learning we have done about the history of chair making in High Wycombe. Hopefully, you will get to see them if you come to visit for the disco next Thursday.

On Tuesday we received the results of Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessments (SATs). We were delighted that the hard work of children and staff (in all year groups) paid off with our best ever results:

% of children achieving 'Expected Standard'	2023		2022	
	Highworth	All schools nationally	Highworth	All schools nationally
Combined, Reading, Writing and Maths	73	59	72	59
Reading	83	73	82	75
Writing	88	71	81	69
Maths	87	73	82	71

Annual Reports to Parents are coming home today for children in all year groups. For children in Years 1, 2, 4 and 6, there is further information about the outcomes for your child in statutory tests taken earlier this year.

On Wednesday and Thursday, children in Years 3 to 6 took part in our annual end of KS2 performance. It was a fabulously enjoyable production with acting and singing of a very high quality.

On Thursday, Year 2 went on a trip to the seaside at Littlehampton. Much joy was had whilst paddling and jumping over the waves; building sandcastles; taking the promenade mini train ride and eating a delicious picnic (even if we did have to fend off some hungry seagulls!). There was so much joy that we are considering a whole school trip to the same venue next year. Watch this space!

All of this has been achieved through the kind support of parents and carers and the dedication of the whole staff team.

Enjoy the break this weekend everyone before another busy one to come!

Clare Pankhania

PARENT ZONE

ATTENDANCE

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

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 96%

BEST ATTENDANCE: 97.3%
(CLASS: 5K)

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:
94.5%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES NEXT WEEK:

Monday 17th July

Mufti Day – Children can come to school in non-uniform. Donation of 50p, if possible.

Thursday 20th July 6.00pm

Summer Disco

Friday 21st July

9.15am: Y6 Farewell Assembly - Parents invited

10.00am: Y6 Farewell Event – Y6 Parents invited – light refreshments available.

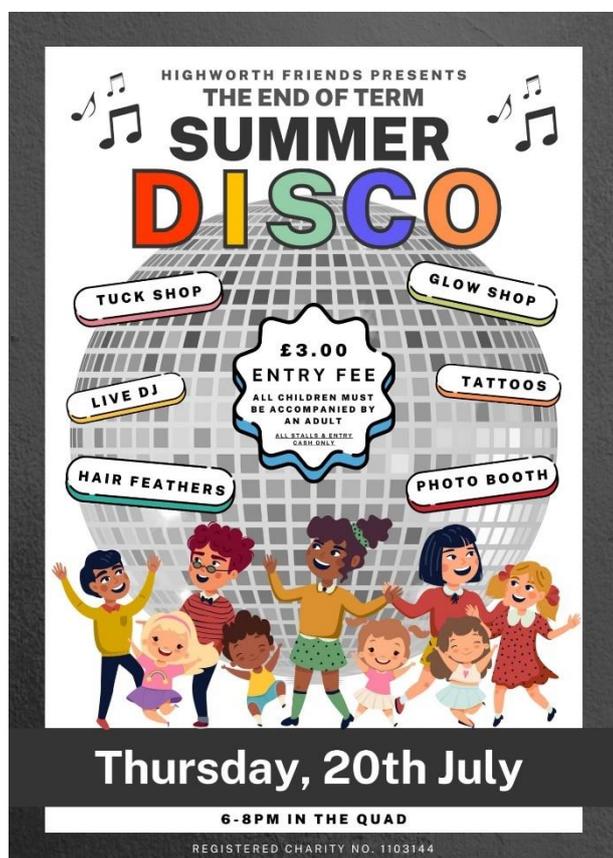
2.15pm: School closes for summer break

PTA NEWS

MUFTI DAY – Monday 17th July

Our last Mufti-Day of term. All children can come to school in their home clothes. If it is PE day for your child should come dressed appropriately for this. Please bring a donation of 50p, if possible.

SUMMER DISCO – Thursday 20th July



We hope to see lots of you at the Summer Disco next week!

It's on Thurs 20th from 6-8pm and weather permitting it should be outside in the quad

As you know, all children have to be accompanied by an adult so you might as well help out while you're there!

To make sure the disco can go ahead we need helpers to...

- Setup from 4pm
- During on a stall 6-7pm
- During on a stall 7-8pm
- Clear up 8-8:45pm

Please message any of the Highworth Friends PTA via WhatsApp or email highworthfriends@gmail.com if you have any questions or to confirm if you can help.

FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP



When? Tuesday mornings (term-time only).
Creche provided.

Where?
St Andrew's,
Hatters Lane.
HP13 7NJ.

Join a welcoming 'Parents as First Teachers' group, where mothers with young families can find support, friendship & learn new skills to enable them & their families to thrive.

We cover a variety of topics such as family wellbeing, budgeting, dealing with stress & anxiety, healthy eating as well as some craft sessions.



Interested in joining? Do get in touch.
debbie.dust@standrewshw.co.uk or 01494 529668
www.standrewshw.co.uk



How Nurturing Programme Parent Groups have helped other parents

"I am a much more confident, positive and understanding parent. I feel much more able to cope now."

"We are having less family arguments and the household is a lot calmer."

"The group was fun. It's the only two hours I have for myself each week."

"The atmosphere was really relaxed. No-one judged anyone and everyone was listened to and respected."



Check out familylinks.org.uk for more information on *The Parenting Puzzle* book and the Nurturing Programme

The 10-week Nurturing Programme for parents and carers

where:

Green Street Centre,
Desborough Street,
High Wycombe
HP11 2RA

when:

Starts:
Thursday 14th September 2023 for 11 weeks. 10.30-12.30pm

The session will not run in the October half term

contact details:

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The Centre for Emotional Health
familylinks.org.uk
Registered charity 1062514



The Centre for Emotional Health

The Nurturing Programme

Information for parents and carers

How to get the best out of family life



Activate Windows
Go to Settings to activate Windows

Summer Holidays at Wycombe Museum

Sunday 23rd July - Sunday 3rd September Chiltern Wildlife Trail

Available daily 10am - 4pm • £3 per child

The Chilterns is home to amazing wildlife and plants. Hunt our grounds for hidden fact files about them - track down all the facts and claim your prize!



Trails



Best for age 3 - 11

25th & 26th July, Tuesday & Wednesday

Discover & Make: Brilliant Beads

Various start times • £4 per child

Make a beaded keychain or bracelet!
Children's craft workshop inspired by traditional Chiltern craft, tambour beading.



Crafts



For children 4 - 11



1st & 2nd August, Tuesday & Wednesday

Discover & Make: Archaeology Dig!

Various start times • £4 per child

Hunt for relics and make your own archaeological dig site in a bottle!
Learn about local archaeological finds.



Crafts



For children 3 - 11



8th & 9th August, Tuesday & Wednesday

Discover & Make: Pond Slime!

Sessions through the day • £4 per child

Hunt for toads, dragonflies, newts and more! Make nature-inspired slime and learn about local pond wildlife.



Crafts



For children 3 - 11



15th & 16th August, Tuesday & Wednesday

Discover & Make: Mosaic Madness

Sessions through the day • £4.50 per child

Make your own mosaic coaster out of glass tiles, and learn all about the Roman history of High Wycombe.



Crafts



For children 4 - 11

18th August, Friday

Fox & Cubs Forest School

9.45am & 11.30am • £8/£9.50

Join us for a special summer holidays forest school-inspired outdoor session. With one session for 18 month - 5 year olds, and another for toddlers & siblings up to age 7. Check online for more info.



Crafts



For children 18 months - 7 years

25th August, Friday

Kid's Art Club

Starts 11am • £6 per child

Get inspired by the museum's art collection in our mixed media art workshop!



Crafts



For children 3 - 11

Children must be accompanied
by an adult at all events.
Book all tickets at
wycombemuseum.org.uk

☎ 01494 957210

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