

Headteacher's Bulletin

Dear Parents,

This week's newsletter will contain all the information parents will need for the changes of classrooms after half term. To give people plenty of warning, the classes moving into the new building will be: **Year 1 (both classes), Year 2, Year 3 and Year 5.** Year 1, 2 and 3 will move into their permanent homes, while year 5 will move into one of the classrooms until the end of the academic year. All will be explained, including drop off and pick up zones, in the newsletter this week.

Thank you for your support.

Matt Hickey
Headteacher



Winter Extravaganza Poster Competition

Would your child like to design the advertising leaflet for this year's Woodley Winter Extravaganza, which will be distributed to hundreds of homes in the area? For full details pick up a leaflet from the school office. Entries to The Oakwood Centre by 19th October.

School dinners



If your child is coming in late due to an appointment remember to call the office before **9.30am** to order a hot dinner.

Don't forget! You can order and pay for school uniform online via SCOPAY.



Diary Dates

HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 22nd – Friday 26th October

Parents' Meetings

Wednesday 31st October,
3.30-6.00pm

Thursday 1st November,
5.00-8.00pm

Year 6 Residential

Monday 5th - Friday 9th November

Maths Workshops 3.30 – 4.30pm

Year 1 – Monday 5th November

Year 2 – Monday 5th November

F2 – Thursday 8th November

Year 3 – Monday 12th November

Year 6 – Thursday 6th December

SPLAT Days, 1.30pm

Nursery – Monday 19th November
10.00am or 1.30pm

F2 – Monday 19th November

KS1 – Tuesday 20th November

KS2 – Wednesday 21st November

Children's Book Festival

The Wokingham Children's Book Festival is being held on 20-21 October, with lots of activities for children. For full details see the Community Events page of the school website.



SCHOOL GAMES

Highwood highlights!



Highwood had a great time yesterday at the Year 3 and 4 football festival hosted by Crosfields School. The children's behaviour and team spirit were impeccable, and they demonstrated our Learning Behaviours of Teamwork and Perseverance very well, winning our last game of the day! Thank you to all the parents and grandparents that came to watch – fantastic to have that support.



ParentMail

New ParentMail System

We are now using ParentMail to send texts and emails. The benefits of this are that you can:

- use a free, secure mobile app on Android and iOS to pick up school messages instantly.
- have an account simply for school messages (away from your busy email inbox!)
- connect to other schools, nurseries or clubs that use ParentMail.
- highlight important messages or archive old messages to make life easier, and that
- messages can be sent directly to mums, dads and carers – even grandparents!

Registering with ParentMail is very easy, just follow the instructions in the message you have been sent. Once registered, if you have an Android or Apple smartphone, we would highly recommend you download the ParentMail App for the best user experience. To do this, simply search for "ParentMail" in your App store.

Please be assured that ParentMail is registered with the Information Commissioner and guarantees that all information you provide will be kept private and will not be passed on to any other organisation.

FOH Friends Of Highwood

Please note the following events:

2nd hand uniform sale

Thursday 18th October, 3.00pm
Second hand uniform requests can be emailed to

foh@highwood.wokingham.sch.uk

Remember! Keep your packed lunch healthy and save sweets and chocolate for treats at home.

