

Headteacher's Bulletin

Dear Parents,

The building contractors have officially finished! There are a few snagging items to complete but the school now has full and unrestricted access to the whole site. During this term we will be looking to begin using our new undercover bike and scooter store in the Key Stage 2 playground, as well as getting our Dance Drama Studio up and running. It has been a long process, but I hope you agree that the learning environment that your children have access to will be a vital cog in our improvement journey.

Thank you for your support.

Matt Hickey
Headteacher



Friends of Highwood

Letters have now gone home for the disco on Friday 8th February.

Please ensure that you return your form by Thursday 31st January.



Second-hand uniform will be on sale at the Family Centre coffee mornings, or can be ordered by emailing foh@highwood.wokingham.sch.uk



If your child wears prescription glasses please could you ensure that you let the class teacher know, and confirm whether they are for distance (i.e. to be able to see the board clearly) or for close-up work such as reading, writing and drawing.

Keep our grass healthy and our school clean!

In this wetter weather please ensure that everyone keeps to the paths and tarmac areas, and not on the field, so that we keep the mud to a minimum and the grass alive!



Check Mate!



We would like to have chess sets available for the Key Stage 2 children to use at lunchtimes. If you have a board and pieces that you no longer need and are happy to donate, please bring them to the school office. Thank you!



Spring **SPLAT!** dates

Spring 2019

7th March – KS1 pm
11th March - FS1 am, FS2 pm
13th March – KS2 pm

Summer 2019

10th June - FS1 & FS2 pm
13th June - KS1 pm
17th June - KS2 pm

Nut-free

We are a nut-free school.



Please be vigilant and ensure that your child does not bring **any** nut products into school, including those such as chocolate Nutella spread, or food cooked in nut oil or containing any traces of nuts.



SCHOOL GAMES

Team Gym competition



Mr Edwards reported that children from KS1, Years 3/4 & Years 5/6 this week competed in the Wokingham Schools level 2 Team Gym

competition. The children had to perform 2 passes in "Tumble, Trampet & Vault". For many of our children this was their first ever competition and taste of formal gymnastics. All teams performed brilliantly with our year 3/4 team achieving the best result we have had in the 7 years we have been attending. They took the 2nd place position on the podium with 4th overall missing out on a bronze medal by only 0.1 of a point. What was most heart warming was the comments by several of the Pinewood GC staff and Mrs Lappin who commented on how well behaved and polite our children were.



Diary Dates



Maths Workshops 3.30 – 4.30pm

Year 4 – Thursday 7th March

Literacy Workshops 3.30 – 4.30pm

Year 4 – Thursday 7th February

Year 5 – Wednesday 6th March

INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED

Friday 15th February

HALF TERM– SCHOOL CLOSED

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February

Last day of Spring term

Friday 5th April at 1.30pm