

# Headteacher's Bulletin

06/10/2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Our Parents' Evening meetings are on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October and details will be sent soon on how to sign up. These meetings are an important link between school and home and a key way for you to get a greater understanding of your child's progress and to discuss their learning with their teacher.

Our SPLAT sessions start from next week, which is another excellent opportunity for parents to see what the children are learning, and we look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to these.

Thank you for your support.

Matt Hickey

Headteacher



## Attendance 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> Sept

Whole school attendance:	94.1%
Top class for attendance:	Year 4W 98%

Well done 4W for a great 98% attendance last week! Our whole school figure has dropped this week unfortunately. School plays such an important role in a child's social and emotional development as well as their academic progress so please ensure that your child comes into school as much as possible.

## Friends of Highwood

The deadline to buy tickets for the parent/adult quiz night is 8.00pm on Monday so don't delay! The quiz is on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October and you can buy your tickets [here](#). There will still be the opportunity to buy pre-loved uniform at the parents' evenings on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October. All non-logo uniform is just 50p so do come and see us in the main hall, by the Book Fair! After that, you will still be able to buy pre-loved uniform through our PTA website and a link will be sent for this after half term. Please do get in touch if your company could help us by donating a prize for our Winter Fayre raffle. You can email [ChairFOH@highwood.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:ChairFOH@highwood.wokingham.sch.uk). Finally, don't forget to save the date for the F2 to Year 6 discos on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November! It's time to get those dancing shoes on!



The Scholastic Travelling Book Fair is coming back to Highwood! The Fair will be available in school from 18<sup>th</sup> October with plenty of exciting new titles and many for under £5.00. Pop in after school from 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> October, or while you are here for Parents' Evening!

Remember – the children will be having PE outside whenever possible, so please ensure that they have a tracksuit jumper and trousers as the weather will soon start to turn colder.



## Flu Immunisations

The nursing immunisation team are in on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October to administer the flu vaccine to pupils from F2 to Year 6. For your child to receive this vaccine you **must** complete the form through the link sent to you recently by 9.00am on the 16<sup>th</sup> October **at the very latest**. Please refer to the letter sent out for full details of the vaccine and the school code to use.



## Diary Dates Autumn Term 2023

**Year 3 Maths SPLAT**  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October, 1.30 - 3.00pm  
**Year 1 Maths SPLAT**  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October, 1.30 - 3.00pm  
**Year 5 Maths SPLAT**  
Wed 11<sup>th</sup> October, 1.30 - 3.00pm  
**F2 Maths SPLAT**  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October, 1.30 - 3.00pm  
**Parents' Evening**  
Wed 18<sup>th</sup> October 2023, 5.00-8.00pm

**Parents' Evening**  
Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023, 3.30-6.00pm  
**Half Term – School Closed**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October  
**Year 4 Maths SPLAT**

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 1.30 - 3.00pm  
**Year 2 Maths SPLAT**

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October, 1.30 - 3.00pm  
**F1 Maths SPLAT – morning**

Wed 1<sup>st</sup> November, 10.30-11.30am  
**F1 Maths SPLAT – afternoon**

Wed 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2.00-3.00pm  
**Individual and Sibling Photos**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
**Year 6 Maths SPLAT**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 1.30 - 3.00pm  
**Children in Need Day**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November  
**Maths Workshop available to parents**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December  
**FS and KS1 Nativity - morning**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December  
**Years 1-6 Christmas Lunch/Party with Christmas Jumper Day Fundraiser**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December  
**FS and KS1 Nativity - afternoon**

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December  
**FS and KS1 Nativity - morning**

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December  
**FOH Winter Fair**

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December, time TBC  
**F1 and F2 Christmas Party**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December  
**Parent Book Look**  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December  
**Last Day of Autumn Term**  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December