

# Headteacher's Bulletin

24/11/2023

Dear Parents / Carers,  
I am always impressed with, and proud of, the generosity of our Highwood community. As reported last week, we have again raised an outstanding amount of money for Children In Need, and also for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Thank you to everyone who was able to donate, and to encourage the children to respect the work that these charities carry out for those who need our help. Thank you for your support.  
Matt Hickey  
Headteacher



## Year 1 Scooter Training

Year 1 have been learning this week how to use their scooters safely. The sessions aimed to improve their



awareness of road safety, including helmet use and crossing the road, and to encourage use of this fun, and sustainable, method of getting to school. Well done, Year 1! 🥳

## Year 3 Bushcraft At Bulmershe!



This week, Year 3 went to The Bulmershe School to learn more about how Stone Age people lived. They learned about the benefits and necessity of fire, and how to be safe

around it, then finished by roasting marshmallows! Thank you to The Bulmershe School staff and students transition leaders for a great afternoon!



## Kindness!

Our children in Nursery have decorated biscuits with multi-coloured icing to remind them to be kind and friendly, just like Elmer the Elephant! 🐘



**Autumn Term 2023 Diary Dates**

**FOH Non-Uniform Day**  
Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December

**Maths Workshop available to parents**  
➤ Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 1/4

**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**  
Sat 9<sup>th</sup> December, 11.00am-2.00pm

**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

## Attendance 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> November

Whole school attendance:	96.1%	Whole School Target – over 96%
Top class for attendance:	Years 2H 99.4%	

Well done to all year groups as we have managed to reach our whole school target of over 96% attendance! Congratulations go especially to Year 2H who achieved a wonderful 99.4%! 🥳

## Friends of Highwood – Winter Fayre

Our next non-uniform day in return for donations for the Winter Fayre is next Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> December.

- **F1, F2 and Year 1** – please bring in anything in a bottle, e.g. alcohol, soft drinks, sauces, perfume, etc.

- **Years 2 to 6** – please donate a bag, bar, box or tub of chocolate!

We would also like donations of good condition soft toys/teddies! Please leave any you can donate in the uniform collection box in the school office, having given them a quick go through the washing machine first if they are in need of a freshen up! Finally, please fill in this [form](#) if you're able to help at the Fayre. An hours help would ensure that all the volunteers get a chance to enjoy the fayre with their families. Thank you!

## Six Nations Tag Rugby



Everyone had a great time at the Six Nations tag rugby event at Hawkedon Primary School yesterday. Our team worked so hard for each other and improved in every game! It was also lovely to have parent support on the side-lines! 🥳