

# Headteacher's Bulletin

19/01/2024

Dear Parents / Carers,  
We are looking to hold a 'Careers Fair' event for our Year 5 and 6 pupils in the summer term and would like to draw on the wealth of expertise in our local community. Our parents have a wide-range of professions and passing on information about your experiences and careers will give our pupils valuable food for thought as they get ready to move on to the next stage of their education. If you would be willing to speak to the children about your job please email the school office with details of your occupation and we will be in touch later in the term.  
Thank you for your support.

Matt Hickey  
Headteacher



## Medical Tracker – Online First Aid Forms



The school is implementing a new system for recording and tracking first aid incidents. This will be used initially in EYFS from next week, and rolled out across the school in the coming weeks. First aid incidents will no longer be recorded on slips of paper but on a new system called Medical Tracker. Parents will receive an email whenever a first aid incident has occurred but please rest assured that phone calls home will still be made for emergencies.

## House Games

This term's House Games are underway, starting with Years 4,5,6 Netball. They were exciting matches, and Mr Edwards was very pleased to see so many supporters lining the court to cheer their House on. Current league leaders are the Eagles and the Falcons jointly, with it all to play for in the final round next Tuesday.



Worker, is hosting another coffee morning on Friday 2nd February from 8.45-10.00am. The Lead FSW from the children's charity, First Days, will be joining us to share information about their outreach programme and the valuable support they can offer, including advice around debt, bill payments, food bank referrals, clothing needs and the Toy Library. They will also be able to discuss the launch of their new parent coaching programme, which focuses on the parent, empowering them and supporting their aspirations. There will also be some giveaways to help families lower their energy consumption. To join us just come to the main reception after drop off.



## Attendance 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> January

Whole school attendance:	95%
Top class for attendance:	Year 2H 99.4%

Fantastic attendance from Year 2H – well done, everyone! It is great to see how much our whole school attendance has increased this week as well – not far to go to reach our target of over 96%!

## WASMA Buzz And Woody... To The Rescue!

Our choir children are looking forward to taking part in WASMA again this year. They are in need of Toy Story costumes – one Buzz Lightyear and one Woody – to fit a KS2 child. If you have one we could borrow please could you email the school office ([admin@highwood.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@highwood.wokingham.sch.uk)).



## Family Centre Coffee



### Morning

Mrs Morris, our Family Support

## Spring Term 2024 Diary Dates

**Coffee Morning with First Days**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 8.45-10.00am

**Parent Book Look**

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February, 3.15-3.45pm

**Inset Day – school closed to pupils**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February, all day

**Half Term Holiday – school closed**

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February

**Reports out to parents**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March

**Year 6 SPLAT**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 1.30-3.00pm

**Year 3 SPLAT**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 1.30-3.00pm

**Year 1 SPLAT**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March, 1.30-3.00pm

**F1 SPLAT - morning**

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 10.30-11.30am

**F1 SPLAT - afternoon**

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2.00-3.00pm

**Year 2 SPLAT**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March, 1.30-3.00pm

**F2 SPLAT**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March, 1.30-3.00pm

**Year 5 SPLAT**

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March, 1.30-3.00pm

**Year 4 SPLAT**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March, 1.30-3.00pm

**Year 1 Phonics Screening Check**

Parents Meeting

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March, 3.30-4.30pm

**Year 6 SATs Parents Meeting**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 3.30-4.30pm

**Last Day of Spring Term**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm.

**No After-School Club on this day.**

**Summer Term 2024**

**First Day of Summer Term**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April

**Friends of Highwood** uniform sale cancelled

Unfortunately the planned pre-loved uniform sale next Friday has been cancelled as we do not have enough volunteers. If you are able to be on a rota to help with such events please email FOH to let them know.