

Highworth Combined School & Nursery

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Letters sent home & e-School messages this week: Youlbury Trip Kit List (Y5), Bag2School Donation, Nursery Newsletter, Multi-Skills & Girls Football Club (Monday) Cancelled

Dear all,

It was wonderful to see our new House Captains from Year 6 come up to receive their badges this week. A particular thank you and well done to everyone who put themselves forward for election, including those who bravely stepped in front of the camera to film their pitch for captaincy — that takes real courage, and we were so impressed by every one of them.

I attended a health and safety course this week, which was a timely reminder of just how important it is that the entrance to school via the staff car park is never used by pedestrians — this includes drop-off and pick-up for Breakfast Club and After School Club. Cars and pedestrians should never need to meet in that space. I know it can feel like the long way round, and I'll admit I have turned a blind eye to this in the past, but the course was a clear reminder of why it matters, and I'd ask for everyone's support in using the pedestrian entrance from now on. We're not trying to be difficult — just trying to keep everyone safe.

A huge thank you to everyone involved in producing the magnificent new displays in the main corridor. The artwork was produced back in June as part of our 30th birthday celebrations and our butterfly curriculum, and the range and quality on show is amazing — from careful shading in pencil drawings, to collage, to the subtleties of watercolour painting. They are truly spectacular, so if you get the chance to visit, do look out for them.

Best wishes for a happy weekend

Clare Pankhania

ATTENDANCE

To report your child's absence please telephone and leave a message or send an email to:

reception@highworthcombined.co.uk

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 96%

BEST ATTENDANCE: 98.7%
(CLASS 3T)

WELL DONE

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:
95.5%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Monday 28th September

3pm: Boys Football Match

7.30pm: PTA AGM in staff room – all welcome to attend

Tuesday 29th September

am: Netball Tournament at Widmer End School

Thursday 1st to Friday 2nd October

Y5 Residential Trip to Youlbury

PARENT ZONE



Highworth Friends PTA

Event Schedule



FRI
18/09

Assembly & Meet the PTA Session
09:00 - School Hall / Staff Room

MON
28/09

Highworth Friends PTA AGM
19:30 - Staff Room

THUR
15/10

Bag2School Donation Drop Off
08:45 - The tree in staff car park

THU
22/10

Highworth Fireworks Night
18:00 - 19:30 - School Hall / Field



PTA Events this half term + fireworks announcement)

A warm welcome back to another exciting year at Highworth. We hope your children have settled into the school term happily.

Your PTA, Highworth Friends, are already hard at work planning this term's events and fundraising drives. We'd like to take a moment to guide you through the term's activities and ways you can get involved.

With your support, last year we raised an incredible £8200 for our 'We Love Highworth' campaign which contributed to the much-needed (as this year's summer proved!) air conditioning installation in classrooms, as well as restocking the school library.

Key dates this term

- Our new fundraising campaign for 2026/27 will be announced soon, but before that we are delighted to announce that the ever-popular **Highworth Fireworks Night** will return on **Thursday, October 22**. Tickets will go on sale **next week** with early bird pricing, so save the date and look out for the announcement on E-Schools and your WhatsApp groups.
- As a registered charity, we hold our **AGM** every year and this year's meeting will take place in the school staff room on **Monday, September 28 from 7.30pm**. Everyone is welcome and we would love to see as many parents as possible at our AGM as we outline our successes from the past year and look ahead to what's in store.
- The next **Bags2School** charity clothes collection has been booked for **Thursday, October 15th** – great news for anyone in desperate need of a post-summer clear-out! More information will be provided so look out for the poster in our PTA noticeboard in front of school reception.

Pete Grant, Chair

Highworth Friends



BAG 2 Thursday 15th October



Raise money for the PTA while clearing space from unwanted garments. We get paid per kg collected.
Items that can be put in the bag are as follows:

				
Clothes	Paired shoes	Handbags	Hats	Belts
				
Bags	Scarves and ties	Bras	Jewellery	Socks

Bags 2 School are to be safely tied and dropped by 8:55am under the tree at the front entrance of the school to the PTA volunteers.



Thank you!