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Newsletter 10th September Issue 1

Letters sent home & e-School messages this week: Welcome Letters Y1-Y6), Parent Survey; A Great Start, Zoom Meeting – Marchants Hill Trip (Y6), Knowledge Organiser (Y3)

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the return of the original Highworth Newsletter, temporarily suspended during the upheaval of the last 18 months or so! We hope you like the format that aims to be quick and simple to read and use.

As I wrote on Monday, your children have impressed us this week with their cheerful return to school. We have had a great week establishing the new relationships that we know will lead to future success.

We have updated our provision for optional additional Home Learning. Details can be found here: https://www.highworth.bucks.sch.uk/web/home_learning_matrices/570245

A reminder that the gates onto the school site are open at the following times:

8.45am To 8.55am. If you arrive late, your child will need to come into school through the main school front door.

3.15pm To 3.30pm. If you arrive late, you will need to collect your child by going to the main school front door

In addition, please remember that from Monday 20th September children will be asked to come into the quadrangle (access to years 1 to 4) independently. You will be able to say goodbye at the double entrance gates.

We need to recruit a further crossing patroller. Please see the advert below.

Highworth would like to recruit an additional Midday Supervisor to join the hard working team who provide care for your children during lunch time. If you are interested in applying for this position or would like to know more, please contact Maria Smith at:

office@highworthcombined.co.uk

Best wishes for an enjoyable weekend.

Clare Pankhania

ATTENDANCE

Not available this week.

Back next week!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES THIS WEEK:

Monday 13th September

'Meet The Teacher' virtual session for Years 3 and 6; 9.30am

Tuesday 14th

Virtual meeting for parents of children attending Year 6 residential; 6pm

PARENT ZONE

Support your Child's Wellbeing Wednesday 12:30pm – 2:30pm *Online course*

Support your Child's Wellbeing for parents with children in Years 1 and 2 on Wednesday 15 September. A free online 5-week course.

Through child-friendly activities, look at practical ideas to help your child cope with change through building their confidence and improving their resilience.

Booking is essential.

Who to contact

Enrolment Team [01296 382403](tel:01296382403) studentenquiries@adultlearningbcc.ac.uk

Mandy Van Reysen [07825 862029](tel:07825862029) Amanda.Reysen@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Little Talkers Fridays 9:30am – 10:30am

Little Talkers is a 5 to 6 week programme for parents of children between 18 months and 3 years where there are concerns around their talking and understanding of language. It is designed by Buckinghamshire Speech and Language Therapy service and is a fun and relaxed session for you to attend with your child where you can learn useful ways to encourage your child's talking and listening skills.

The Nurture Programme Tuesdays 10am to 12pm

The Nurture Programme is a 10-week parenting group that aims to empower parents to build positive relationships, encourage co-operative behaviour, and develop resilience, empathy, and self-esteem in themselves and their children.

The Nurture Programme (SEN) Thursdays 10am to 12pm

The Nurture Programme (SEN) is a 10-week parenting group for parents of children with SEN that aims to empower parents to build positive relationships, encourage co-operative behaviour, and develop resilience, empathy, and self-esteem in themselves and their children.

All courses are **FREE** and take place at :

Hampden Way Family Centre

Hampden Way,

High Wycombe,

HP13 7TJ

<https://familyinfo.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/advice-and-support/parenting/free-parenting-courses/>

PTA NEWS

The next 'Bags to School' event will take place on 21st September. Look out for bags coming home to you soon.

Please look out for an invitation to our AGM coming soon.

Dates for your diaries now on the school website calendar! We hope to return to some in person events very soon.



Become a School Crossing Patroller and help children cross the road safely.

- Job sharing considered.
- Short hours.
- Regular income.
- Term time only.

For more details please get in touch

01494 586639/07734 481586

georgina.longley@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Please see below for information about a workshop to learn more about how to keep your children safe on line.



How Can I Help My Child?

Access to phones, social media and the internet means that young people can communicate with others without those caring for them knowing and this can make it difficult when we want to keep them safe.

A free online workshop for parents and carers

Facilitated through Zoom by Lawrence, Penny and Rhiannon from the Marie Collins Foundation



The Marie Collins Foundation (MCF) is dedicated to supporting victims of online child sexual abuse and exploitation. The foundation advocates for children who have suffered from online abuse so that they are able to recover and live safe and fulfilling lives. It has grown to become a dedicated team of specialists who support those harmed online through direct work with children and their families and advising professionals and governments at local, national and international level.

In this workshop you will have the opportunity to explore, in a safe environment:

- what **online harm** is
- ways you can **effectively help** and support your children
- understand **why and how** children can become victims, and
- how your response can be **vital** in enabling your child to recover.

To apply for a free place, please click on the dates below and complete the form

Tuesday, 5th October 2021 - 10am to 11.30am

Tuesday, 18th November 2021 - 10am to 11.30am

If you have any questions in respect of this course, or difficulties booking on to it, please contact

MCFevents@mariecollinsfoundation.org.uk