**BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL Education Department** 

# **Highworth Combined School & Nursery**

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**Letters sent home & e-School messages this week**: Spring Newsletter (Nursery), Parent & Carer Consultation Evenings (Rec-Y6), DT Project (Y2), Fruit Tasting (Y1), Topic: Kings & Queens (Rec), World Book Day, Highworth Iftar (Y4-Y6)

Dear all

A reminder that we are hosting our first ever Iftar, opening of the fast, celebration at Highworth on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March. We are inviting children in years 4 to 6, of all faiths and none, to join us. Paper copies of an invitation with a slip to complete to reserve places was sent home on Wednesday. If your child would like to participate, please send the completed slip back as soon as possible. If you need a replacement copy of the letter, please let Mrs Bennett know.

Next week we holding Parent and Carer consultation meetings. If you have not yet made an appointment to see your child's teacher, please do so as soon as possible. The deadline for booking is Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 9pm.

The week will end with a celebration of all things READING during World Book Day. Please see a previous message regarding arrangements, but there is more detail on the website calendar here: <a href="https://www.highworth.bucks.sch.uk/web/calendar/189862">https://www.highworth.bucks.sch.uk/web/calendar/189862</a>

If you access the calendar, you will also see that we will be holding a workshop on supporting the teaching of Maths on 14<sup>th</sup> March. More details to follow, but if this is of interest to you, make a note of the date now.

Some prior warning that we will be repeating last year's highly successful Easter Trail event on the last day of this term, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March. You will be able to collect your child from their classroom at any time between 1.30pm and 2.30pm (don't forget that school will end for all pupils at 2.30pm as it is the last day of term) in order to participate. That day will also be a mufti-day when we will ask for a donation of spring or Easter themed confectionary, stationery or similar. Further details to follow.

Best wishes for a happy weekend.

Clare Pankhania



#### ATTENDANCE

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

reception@highworthcombined co.uk.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 96%

BEST ATTENDANCE: 97.9%
(CLASS 5K)
WELL DONE

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE: 92.3%

**WELL BELOW OUR TARGET** 

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES THIS WEEK:**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March: 5pm to 7.30pm

Parent & Carer Consultation Evening

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March: 3.40pm to 6.10pm Parent & Carer Consultation Evening

#### Friday 8th March

World Book Day – children can come to school dressed in pyjamas and bring their favourite book to read.

## **PARENT ZONE**

### **Cyber Choices Webinars for Parents/Carers**

As part of our drive to keep children and young people safe online we are recommending the following webinar around understanding computer misuse, hacking and cybercrime.

Cyber Choices is a programme that supports those people at risk of committing computer misuse offences, such as hacking.

These risks are far more real than most people recognise, with around 1 in 4 young people admitting to committing low-harm cybercrimes, perhaps without even realising what they were doing was illegal.

The webinars are ideally suited to parents/carers of children in Year 3 (age 7) and above, all the way up to college, university and beyond, and will help understand what computer misuse is, what the risks to young people are, how to recognise some of the indicators that young people may be involved in committing cybercrimes, and how the Cyber Choices programme supports at-risk individuals.

The Cyber Choices programme is led by the National Crime Agency, and delivered locally by SEROCU (the South East Regional Organised Crime Unit).

Dates and registration links for the sessions are below.

When: Mar 4, 2024 11:00 GMT

Registration: <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_2fwzDzv3RMmo7Gm0PGf">https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_2fwzDzv3RMmo7Gm0PGf</a> 3w

When: Mar 4, 2024 20:00 London

Registration: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_2ROjhkKsSKueNgILJ7lSfQ

After registering, a confirmation email containing further information about joining the webinar will be automatically sent out.

If anyone has any issues with booking on to any of the sessions, please contact the SEROCU Cyber Choices team on cyberchoices@serocu.police.uk