# **Highworth Combined School & Nursery**

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<u>Letters sent home & e-School messages this week</u> *Ramadam- Fasting, Y5 Secondary Transfer Meeting, Y6 SATs Information, Y4 Residential Trip, Y5 Farm Trip, National Walk to School Week* 



I do hope that Ramadan has started well for those of you celebrating. It is lovely to see and hear of the excitement that this special time is creating amongst many of our pupils.

Lots of people have told me how pleased they are to see John Ryan, our crossing patroller, helping so many children safely cross Totteridge Lane. However, I must tell you that John is not available next week and so there will be no patroller between **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May and Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May.** 

After a few technical hitches, I'm pleased to tell you that 'ePay' on 'eSchools' is now available. We hope that moving over to this system will make payments easier for you; it will certainly make a big a difference to us!

As you know, the school has received notice from Wycombe District Council that our school is required for use as a polling station for the European Elections taking place on **Thursday 23**<sup>rd</sup> **May**. My understanding of the current political situation is that the elections will now go ahead as there is insufficient time for a withdrawal agreement to be passed through parliament before that date. This means that, regrettably, **Highworth Combined School and Nursery will be closed to all pupils on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May.** 

Please accept my sincere apologies for the disruption and difficulties that this will cause many of you. The Governors and I will continue our efforts to have the school removed from the list of polling stations. In the meantime, I can assure you all teachers will be making adjustments to their timetables to prioritise coverage of the learning that is being missed.

As ever, my best wishes for a happy weekend.

# **ATTENDANCE**

The display board at the front of the school shows each year group's weekly attendance.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 96%

BEST ATTENDANCE 100% (CLASS 2B)

EXCELLENT!

OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS

**ABOVE TARGET AT 97.3%** 

# **PUNCTUALITY:**

Gates open at 8.45am and close at 8.55am. PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD IS IN SCHOOL ON TIME.

# **Dates for the Diary**

# Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May

Time out for parents with children with ADHD course 12.30 -2.30pm in Scout hut

# Friday 10th May

Class Assembly – 1H 10.10am

### All week

KS2 SATs tests



# **Parent Zone**

# **Adult Learning**

Please see attached information on the Positive Pathways course for jobseekers to help you to build the confidence and skills to move closer to work or volunteering.

NB places are funded for targeted adults 19 years or over who meet UK residency requirements for funding **and** are claiming JSA, UC, ESA (WRAG) or Income Support **and** are looking and are available to start work.

# **Barnardo's Support for Parents**

Please see attached flyer for information on this service. They are looking for volunteers who would be willing to support families in the area.

# **Gymnastics over half term**

Springbucks will be running a 2 day camp in May half term for all primary school aged children. The camp is gymnastics and trampolining for children aged 4 - 12 years and is running on 29th & 30th May at Hazlemere Youth Centre, sessions are 9.30 - 12.30 or 1.30 - 4.30pm for half days, or 9.30 - 4.30pm for a full day. Half day sessions cost £15 and full days £30. Please see attached flyer for more details.

Beccy Hatch
Parent Support Worker

# P.T.A. NEWS

We have already started planning the Summer Fun Day! Please save the date, it will be on **Saturday 29th June at 11.30am**. We're hoping to see lots of you there. Fingers crossed for sunshine!





# **Positive Pathways**

Millbrook Adult Learning Centre, Mill End Road, High Wycombe HP12 4BA

Starts Thursday 6 June —ends Thursday 11 July 2019 9.30—11.30\* \*On 4 July and 11 July sessions are 9.30—2pm with 30 mins lunch break

Course code N4CL08FFM

Are you struggling to move forward in life and work? Feeling isolated and anxious?

This course is based around the 5 Ways to Wellbeing:

Connect Be Active Give

Keep Learning
Take Notice

It aims to help people become more confident in their skills, working in a supportive, small group to help move them closer to volunteering or work.

Funded for targeted adults 19 years or over who meet UK residency requirements for funding **and** are claiming JSA, UC, ESA (WRAG) or Income Support **and** are looking and available to start work

For more information or to enrol, please contact:
Christine Frost, cfrost@buckscc.gov.uk 07921404780 or Debbie Garwood,
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# **Course Information Sheet**

Course Title	Positive Pathways	Course Code	N4CL08FFM
Start Date	6.6.19	Time	9.30 – 11.30 (then also 12-2pm on 4/7/19 and 11/7/19 only)
Planned end date	11.7.19	Number of sessions	6
Location	Millbrook Adult Learning Centre, Mill End Road, High Wycombe HP12 4BA	Concessions available?	Funded for targeted adults 19 years or over who meet UK residency requirements for funding <b>and</b> are claiming JSA, UC, ESA (WRAG) or Income Support <b>and</b> are looking and available to start work.

# Skills, experience or qualifications needed for entry to this class

You do not need any qualifications to attend this course.

You may have been out of work for a while and are struggling to move forward in life and work. You may be feeling isolated and anxious and need support to make plans for the future.

If you have any support needs e.g. a learning disability or any worries about your reading or writing please tell us as soon as possible so that we can arrange extra help for you in the classroom.

### Course aims and content

The course is based on the Five Ways to Wellbeing and aims to help people become more confident in their skills in a small, supportive group so that they:

- Set themselves manageable goals
- Identify their strengths and qualities
- Maintain a routine and commit to attending regularly and punctually
- Develop confident speaking and listening skills
- Develop social skills, support each other and learn about their next steps into further learning, volunteering and work.

# **Possible Progression Courses or career opportunities**

During the course learners are offered an opportunity to get ongoing career advice and support from our partner Adviza.

In addition there will be an opportunity to look at further courses available with Buckinghamshire Adult Learning e.g. job search and interview skills, maths, English, computer skills, accountancy etc.

Please call Millbrook Adult Learning Centre 01494 475975 and ask for the Outreach Team.

Additional Course cost and essential items for first session (e.g. visits, materials, books)

Please bring a pen and a drink to each session.

## General

If the required minimum number of students is not reached, we cannot guarantee that the course will run. We advise you not to purchase any additional equipment and materials until after the first session for long courses. For one day and short courses please do not purchase materials more than 7 days before the course is due to run in case we have to cancel.

N.B. Parking restrictions <u>may</u> apply - please refer to the location map or our brochure for details. Alternatively visit our website <u>www.adultlearningbcc.ac.uk/</u>

Unfortunately, children under the age of 16 cannot be accepted into any of our classes unless the course is designed for adults and children learning together. This applies to all courses so is not venue specific. If a crèche is not available information on childcare providers can be obtained from <a href="http://www.bucksfamilyinfo.org/">http://www.bucksfamilyinfo.org/</a>

This information is designed to help you to decide if this is the right course for you.

The course is FREE subject to conditions. For more information, please contact the Community Outreach team on cldevteam@buckscc.gov.uk

# **SUPPORT 4 PARENTS**

# Have you ever thought ... If only I knew then What I know now...?

Now you can help in a really practical way.

We're looking for volunteers to work in a structured way with families in your area who are struggling to parent children under 8.

If you are interested in working with families and have experience in looking after children, you can make a difference.

If you can spare about 3 hours a week, we'll train you in how to pass on your precious skills and knowledge and we'll support you in doing a really worthwhile job.



## Want to know more?

- Telephone Barnardo's Support 4 Parents for an informal chat on (07715) 428 690
- Email: <u>support4parents@barnardos.org.uk</u>
- Or see the Barnardo's website www.barnardos.org.uk
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# MAY 2019 HALF TERM CAMP – Bookings Now Open Online!

Dates: Wednesday 29th & Thursday 30th May 2019

Times: Mornings 9.30am-12.30pm Afternoons 1.30pm-4.30pm Full Day 9.30am - 4.30pm

Price: £15 for half a day, £30 for full day

Venue: Hazlemere Youth Centre, Hazlemere

Rose Avenue, HP15 7UB



Open to all children aged 4 - 12 years - this camp is suitable for complete beginners as well as those who train regularly. Children do a mix of gymnastics, trampolining as well as lots of fun and games! Great chance to work on specific skills any current gymnasts are trying to achieve.

# CLICK HERE TO BOOK IN VIA THE WEBSITE SHOP TODAY!!





