

Highworth Combined School & Nursery

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Letters sent home & e-School messages this week: Parent Workshop & Link to Recording, Heights &Weights Screening (Rec), Ifthar (Y4-Y6)

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of what may well have been *the wettest half term on record*, we would like to thank you for your continued support. It has certainly felt as though we have spent an exceptional number of break and lunch times indoors; none of us can quite remember so many wet plays in such a short space of time!

Thankfully, the children have taken it all in their stride and have thoroughly enjoyed making good use of the games and resources available in their classrooms. We are, however, very much looking forward to lighter mornings and evenings when we return after the break, and hopefully the occasional glimpse of sunshine.

Despite the weather, there has been a great deal of learning taking place across the school. At this point in the year, children are settled, confident, and benefiting from the strong and familiar relationships they have formed with staff and their peers. It has been wonderful to see their progress.

A reminder that our Readathon continues, and the half-term holiday is an excellent opportunity to gather sponsorship from friends and family. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

We also have a couple of upcoming events to be aware of. On Thursday 5th March, we will be holding our annual Iftar celebration for pupils in Years 4 to 6. Further details were shared yesterday, but if you require any additional information, please contact Mrs Bennett.

Our Parent and Carer Consultation Evenings will take place on 10th and 12th March. More details about booking appointments will be sent out after the break.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable half term. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 23rd February, refreshed and ready for the weeks ahead.

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: 95.2%

(CLASS 2RS)

WELL DONE

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

91.5%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

NO CLUBS THIS WEEK

2nd February to 27th February

Readathon

Monday 23rd February

7:30pm: PTA Meeting in the staffroom – all parents/carers welcome

PARENT ZONE

READATHON

Goal to raise: £1,000

Amount raised so far: £283.68

This is a reminder that Highworth Combined School & Nursery's Readathon is in full swing! It will be running until Friday 27 February 2026. All children can take part by reading, or listening, to anything they enjoy—books, comics, e-books, blogs, or even audiobooks. By collecting sponsor donations, pupils will help provide new books and storytellers for children in UK hospitals, while also earning free books for our school. Families can support the Readathon and make donations online using this link:

https://readforgood.givingpage.org/readathon?custom_cFcFTPsmi6mdGDd=0012000001Rf8RhAAJ&custom_R6cC4OEw44xOaz6=null

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RECEPTION

EARLY READING

Simple, practical activities to boost your child's early reading skills with story sacks



Mon 23rd Feb - Mon 23rd Mar



Tue 24th Feb - Tue 24th Mar

Thurs 26th Feb - Thurs 26th Mar

Choose from 1
of these 3 dates



9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
FMER021



YEARS 1 & 2

WELLBEING

Support your child's wellbeing and learn ways to help children deal with setbacks and build their resilience, both at school and home



Tue 24th Feb - Tue 24th Mar



12:30pm - 2:30pm

Course code:
FMWB008



YEARS 1 & 2

READING & COMPREHENSION

Simple, practical activities to support your child with Reading and Comprehension



Mon 23rd Feb - Mon 23rd Mar



7pm - 9pm

Choose from 1
of these 2 dates



Wed 25th Feb - Wed 25th Mar



9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
FMRC067



YEARS 1 & 2

PHONICS & READING

Simple, practical activities to support your child with Phonics and Reading



Tue 24th Feb - Tue 24th Mar



9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
EMPR064





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YEARS 3 & 4

WRITING

Learn how you can make writing fun with your child



Mon 23rd Feb - Mon 23rd Mar

9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
FMWG031



YEARS 3 & 4

READING & COMPREHENSION

Simple, practical activities to support your child with Reading and Comprehension



Wed 26th Feb - Wed 26th Mar

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Course code:
FMRC059



YEARS 3 - 6

WELLBEING

Support your child's wellbeing and learn ways to help children deal with setbacks and build their resilience, both at school and home



Wed 26th Feb - Wed 26th Mar

7pm - 9pm

Course code:
FMWB020



YEARS 5 & 6

FUN WAYS TO BOOST YOUR CHILD'S GRAMMAR, VOCABULARY & PUNCTUATION

Build confidence in key grammar, punctuation, and vocabulary - to boost success at the end of KS2



Thurs 9th Mar
Thurs 12th Mar

← Choose from 1 of these 2 dates

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Course code:
FMWG033



YEARS 4, 5 & 6

EXPLORING READING AND WRITING TOGETHER- Practical Tips for Parents

Discover simple, fun ways to make reading and writing fun at home while boosting your child's confidence, creativity, and love of stories



Thursday 19th March
Thursday 26th March

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6:30pm - 8:30pm

Course code:
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