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Letters sent home & e-School messages this week: School Meals – New Menu



It has felt like a long term and we are ready for a break! I very much hope that you will enjoy a couple of weeks with more relaxed routines and, fingers crossed, some sunshine.

The new term will see some very exciting and positive changes.

Firstly, a return to a more varied menu at lunch times. A reminder that school lunches, both paid for and free, must be ordered on line by the end of Thursday for the following week. The deadline for your child to have school meals during the first week of term is **Thursday 21**st **April**. If you do not meet this deadline, please don't be surprised if we phone you to ask you to bring in a packed lunch.

Secondly, there will be a return to lots of in person events! Please remember to go to the calendar on the school website to make sure you have all the important dates in your diary: https://www.highworth.bucks.sch.uk/web/calendar. Most importantly of all, please remember that our summer party, HAT (Highworth All Together) takes place on **Friday**17th June. Performances will start from 1.30pm and the event will continue until 5.30pm. As ever with events such as this, we are dependent on help from the whole community so please get ready to volunteer to play a part in making this the success we all hope for. There will be 3 volunteer shifts of 1 hour with a variety of roles. More information will follow.

Please see below for important information about how to follow the latest guidance for 'Living with Covid'.

My very best wishes to you for a lovely 2 weeks and, see you on Monday 25th April.

Clare Pankhania

ATTENDANCE

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

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 96%

BEST ATTENDANCE: 98.7% (CLASS 5K)

WELL DONE

OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS BELOW TARGET AT 90.6%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES THIS WEEK:

Saturday 9th April

PTA Easter Trail - 10am to 3pm

Monday 25th April

Children Return to School 4M Swimming Lessons start

Tuesday 26th April – 7.45pm

PTA Meeting at School



PARENT ZONE

PTA NEWS

Our next PTA meeting will be on **Tuesday 26th April at 7:45pm**. We're delighted to say it will be in-person at the school.

Many thanks and hope to see you at the Easter Trail tomorrow!





Message from Buckinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group

All children aged 5 - 11 will be offered vaccination against COVID-19 from 4 April 2022.

If you live in Bucks, you can come to walk-in, child friendly clinics at one of the following sites:

- Amersham Family Centre, open Fridays, 1pm-6pm and Saturdays, 9am-6pm
- Mapledean Family Centre, Wycombe, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am-6pm
- Wing Family Centre, open Mondays and Saturdays, 9am-6pm
- <u>Buckingham Library</u>, open Fridays and Sundays, 9am-6pm
- The Guttmann Centre, Aylesbury, open everyday, 8am-8pm

All site opening hours are also listed on the <u>Buckinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group</u> <u>website</u>. Any changes to clinic hours or days will be shared on this site as well, so please check back before going along.

You can also book an appointment via the <u>National Booking Service</u> or by calling **119** for other dedicated children's clinics.

The NHS wants to support you to make an informed choice with more information available here: COVID-19: A guide for parents of children aged 5 to 11 (publishing.service.gov.uk)

Children aged 5-11 with no other underlying health conditions will be offered two paediatric (child) doses of the vaccine, with at least 12 weeks between doses.

Please note: if your 5-11 year old is clinically extremely vulnerable, we have a contact number to book their vaccination at The Guttman Centre. The **number is 07826 922104** and is open 8.30am – 7 pm daily. Your child's two doses will usually be given 8 weeks apart.

Buckinghamshire CCG

Current guidance for families and staff if a Covid-19 infection is suspected

Revised list of symptoms of Covid 19, flu and other respiratory infections:

- continuous cough
- high temperature, fever or chills
- loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell
- shortness of breath
- unexplained tiredness, lack of energy
- muscle aches or pains that are not due to exercise
- not wanting to eat or not feeling hungry
- headache that is unusual or longer lasting than usual
- sore throat, stuffy or runny nose
- diarrhoea, feeling sick or being sick

Precautions to take:

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature
 or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they
 feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high
 temperature
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice is 3 days

Please use this information when determining if school attendance is safe and appropriate.