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Letters sent home & e-School messages this week: Trip to Wellington Country Park (Rec); Taster Session (Y4); Sex Education Lesson (Y4-Y6); PTA Meeting; Lost Property; Sports Days Cancelled

Dear all

How disappointing that the weather has not allowed us to enjoy Sports Day together as planned. Let's hope for better luck next week with our reserve dates of Wednesday for Reception and Nursery, and Friday for Year groups 1 to 6.

Sadly, we are saying some more goodbyes this week: Saima Bahar, who has been supporting children in Year 4, and Zainab Attique, Key Worker in Reception. The work of both has been much appreciated by children and adults. Finally, to Bisma Tanvir who is leaving us for a second time, the first time being when she left year 6 as a pupil 11 years ago! We feel so lucky that you decided to return to us a member of staff, Bisma and thank you for all that you have done to support so many children over that last 4 years.

It is only 4 weeks now until our big celebration, Highworth All Together, takes place. We hope to see as many of you there as possible so each week between now and then, I will let you know of some of the exciting things we have planned.

Starting from 1.30pm and continuing until around 3pm, every child in the school will perform on stage on the field. There will be a song, accompanied by sign language, a dance for the whole school and then songs, dances and poems from the children in each year group in turn. It is guaranteed to create lots of 'ahh' moments so not to be missed! 3.20pm is when the party really gets going... but more about that next week!

As ever, my best wishes for a happy weekend.

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% (CLASS 5K)

WELL DONE

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

92.1%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES THIS WEEK:

Wednesday 25th May – 11am

Nurs/Rec Sports Day followed by family picnic

Friday 27th May – 10am

Y1-Y6 Sports Day followed by family picnic

PARENT ZONE

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.