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Newsletter - 7th February Issue 18

Letters sent home & eSchool messages this week: Energize Choir Collaborative Rehearsal, Valentine Disco Parent Helper Letter, World Book Day

Dear Parents and Carers

The week started on a high for 40 children from year 4, 5 teachers and a brave group of parents who travelled to the O2 on Monday for our annual trip to the Young Voices concert. As ever, it was a wonderful experience, but made extra special this year by the fact that an ex-pupil, Ethan Casey Clothier, was performing on stage with the dance group Urban Strides. Please go to the website to see some photos and videos that capture a little of the excitement.

Our annual Valentine's Disco takes place next Thursday evening. As ever, we will be seeking your help to run the event and any time that you are able to offer to run the various stalls will be much appreciated.

I would like to remind parents **NOT** to use or park in the staff car park. It is for staff only.

As ever, my best wishes for an enjoyable weekend with your families.

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: 99.7% (CLASS 4ts)

WELL DONE!

OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS

BELOW TARGET AT 95.1%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Monday 10th February

Boys league football match 3.30pm-5pm

Wednesday 12th February

Governor Afternoon 12pm-3pm

Thursday 13th February

Highworth Friends Disco 6pm-8pm

Friday 14th February

School closes for half term 3.20pm

Monday 24th February

School reopens

PARENT ZONE

Half term activities

For information on things to do in half term with your children go to https://www.bucksfamilyinfo.org/kb5/buckinghamshire/fsd/results.page?holidayterms=1&familychannel=7-9

Sign2Sing Event

You may be aware that your child has recently been learning some sign language at school. This is because we are taking part in SignHealth's national fundraising and deaf awareness day.

On **Friday 14th February 2020** we all will sign and sing the song '**Together**' for SignHealth, the healthcare charity for deaf children and adults. Please visit www.sign2sing.org.uk and find the song in the sign2sing library so you can join in at home.

SignHealth is simply asking for your child to wear MUFTI on **Friday 14th February 2020** for 50p. All money raised will go towards helping SignHealth transform the lives of thousands of deaf people living in the UK.

Thank you for supporting this exciting challenge and helping to "inspire a generation to sign".

Beccy Hatch
Parent Support Worker

PTA NEWS

We look forward to welcoming you to our Valentine's Disco on Thursday 13th February 6.30-8.30pm.

If you are able to help on a stall, please return your helper letter by Monday 10th February. As usual, DJ NL Disco will be on the decks with your favourite tunes and we will run a dance competition with a cash prize! Pizza and chips will be on sale as well as refreshments, sweets, candyfloss and Krispy Creme doughnuts!

We hope to see many of you there!

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