

Highworth Combined School

Dear all

As I am sure you can imagine, school has been an unusually quiet place this week! We were delighted to welcome back Year 6 on Thursday, some of whom were so excited to return that they ran on to the playground. I am very much looking forward to this time next week, when all being well, we will have everyone back in school.

A huge thank you to all who have participated in Remote Learning. Although we devised, planned and communicated the new way of working in September, for many this has been their first experience. Teachers tell me that most families have returned some work for feedback and for this we are very grateful. I try not to underestimate the difficulties that managing your children's learning at home presents, especially when you have so many other commitments to juggle. The expectations set by the government for Remote Learning have increased significantly since the first period of lock down in March and we have to reflect this. However, we want to support you as much as possible and will do everything that we can to help ensure that your children do not miss out on learning during the current disruption. There is daily contact with all families by either email or phone, so please let us know what would be helpful.

A message from our new Parent Support Worker:

"Hello – I am the new Parent Support Worker here at Highworth. With current restrictions in place due to Covid19 it is obviously difficult to arrange any Parent get-togethers but please do feel you can contact me with any parenting issues you may be having. My working days are Mondays & Tuesdays and I can be available at drop-offs or pick-ups for a chat on these days or can arrange a convenient time to speak by phone or zoom. My email address is mytomw@highworthcombined.co.uk

Kind regards,

Wendy”

Earlier in the week, you received a message about becoming a governor at Highworth. Please may I remind you to contact David Thomas, Chair of Governors, by Friday 27th November if this is of interest to you. His email address is: DThomas@highworthcombined.co.uk.

My very best wishes for the weekend.

Clare Pankhania