

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
Education Department

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Newsletter – 29th November Issue 10

**Letters sent home & eSchool messages this week:** Fruit Snack (Y3-Y6), Lower School Performance Tickets (Y1-Y3), EY Performance Tickets (Nurs & Rec), Gymnastics Event (Rec), Cancellation of SEN Group Meeting, Urgent Helpers Required at Xmas Bazaar

Dear Parents and Carers

I need to ask that you urgently take action regarding dangerous and inconsiderate parking. Whilst I understand that the road works on Highworth Close are causing an already difficult situation to be worsened, it is not acceptable for you to put the safety of our children at risk, or to cause local residents to be unable to access their property. I have received a large number of complaints from residents this week, all of them entirely justified. You must leave extra time for your journeys to drop off and collect children to enable you to park further away, where it is safe and appropriate. To assist with this, the local PCSOs and traffic wardens will be visiting the area around our school.

On a much happier note, I am thrilled to be able to say many congratulations to Emma Robertson, one of our Nursery teachers, who got married at the weekend. She is now Mrs Glewis; children are slowly learning to use her new name!

Thank you to all those parents have sent in requests for tickets to see next week's Christmas performance by years 1 to 3. A reminder that we are only able to admit those with tickets as we only have enough room in the hall to do so! Small children without tickets will need to sit on a parents lap.

Best wishes for an enjoyable 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: 98.9% (CLASS 2H)**

**WELL DONE!**

**OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS**

**WELL BELOW TARGET AT 94.7%**

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

#### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Women's Health and Wellbeing Course –  
9.30am - 11:30am

#### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Mufti Day – Donation for PTA Gift Hamper  
Christmas performance Y1 –Y3 - **2PM START**

#### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas performance Y1 –Y3 -**2PM START**

#### Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Bazaar 11.30am- 1.30pm

## **PARENT ZONE**

### **PARENTING COURSES**

There are a number of **FREE** parenting courses that will be running in January. Please find below a list of these and a brief description of the course but to find out more information and instructions for booking please visit the following website -

<https://www.bucksfamilyinfo.org/kb5/buckinghamshire/fsd/advice.page?id=TNNwfojyII4>

#### **Incredible Years - High Wycombe Mondays 30 January to 30 March 2020 | 9:30am to 11:30am**

These are suitable for parents of children 4 to 12 years old. It has a strong focus on developing the parent and child's positive relationship along with looking at behaviour strategies. It gives you tips on how to improve your child's self-esteem and support your child with their academic development at school.

#### **Stepping Stones – High Wycombe Friday mornings 10am to 12:30pm | 24 January to 20 March 2020**

These are for parents of children of all ages (Group and Teen) and children with disabilities (Stepping Stones). It helps parents apply positive parenting strategies and learn to deal with problem behaviours.

Suitable for parents of children with a range of disabilities, for example, intellectual disability, autism spectrum disorders, cerebral palsy and high levels of disruptive behaviour. This group covers all ages.

#### **Stop – Aylesbury Thursdays 9 January to 2 April 2020 | 10am to 12:30pm**

Suitable for parents of children 10 to 16 years old. It has a strong focus on developing the parent and child's positive relationship along with looking at behaviour strategies. It gives you tips on how to improve your child's self-esteem and support your child with their academic development at school.

### **STAGECOACH PERFORMING ARTS – HIGH WYCOMBE**

Stagecoach offer singing, dance and drama classes for students aged 4 to 18 years. Next term is **SHOW TERM** and our little stars ages 4 to 6 are doing a show called 'The Day the Crayon's Quit'. See the advert below for more details.

### **HIGH WYCOMBE LIBRARY**

All events are free, though those marked with \* need to be signed up for and all are on Floor 1 of the library.

**Saturday 7th December 2.30-3.30pm** Come and find out about the life of the honeybee from author & beekeeper, Meriet Duncan. Bee themed craft activities too. For 7 - 10 yr olds

**Saturday 14th December 2-3pm** Christmas themed workshop. Make your own decorations, build a snowman and write a letter to Santa with Bright Young Things, For 4 -11 yr olds \*

**Saturday 21st December 11- 12.15pm** Listen to some Christmas themed stories and make your own cards. For 4 - 11yr olds

**Saturday 4th January 2-3pm** Come and make New Year decorations, a rocket and write your own New Year Resolutions with Bright Young things For 4 - 11yr olds \*

For more information please go to <https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/events/library-events/high-wycombe/>

**Beccy Hatch**  
**Parent Support Worker**

## **PTA NEWS**

### **Only 1 week to go to Christmas Bazaar!**

Don't forget mufti day Wednesday 4th December. Your child can come to school in non uniform in return for a donation to the gift hampers.

We are collecting for an adult hamper and a children's hamper and would appreciate nice biscuits, chocolates, toiletries, toys, sweets, candles etc. Anything that does not make it to the hamper will go on the tombola so we need as many donations as possible!

We are also still collecting second-hand Christmas jumpers, a collection box is in the front office.

Please make sure you follow our Facebook page, Highworth Friends PTA, for all the latest updates. There you will find details about the fantastic raffle prize which is a 3 day hire of a luxury car! The full list of raffle prizes is also there.

Last, we have to ask for your help on the day. The deadline for returning helper letters was last Wednesday, however we have only had 12 replies. If you can give even just 1/2 hour, please return your helper letter or contact us on [highworthfriends@gmail.com](mailto:highworthfriends@gmail.com).

Don't forget all volunteers gets entered into a volunteer raffle where you can win a photoshoot and free print. So far, the odds are pretty good!

*Highworth Friends*  
invites you to

# Christmas Bazaar

**ENTRY FEE: ADULT £1 / CHILDREN 50P**

- ★ SANTA'S GROTTO
- ★ FESTIVE REFRESHMENTS (please bring your own cup)
- ★ CHRISTMAS GAMES
- ★ THE ELF SHOP
- ★ TOMBOLA
- ★ RAFFLE

SAT 7TH DEC 11:30AM TO 1:30PM

**HIGHWORTH COMBINED SCHOOL, HIGHWORTH CLOSE, HIGH WYCOMBE, HP13 7PH**





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# WEEKLY SINGING DANCING AND DRAMA CLASSES

at Stagecoach Performing Arts in Highworth  
and Shrivenham

### Tuesday - Shrivenham Memorial Hall

4 to 6 Year Olds - 4:15pm to 5:45pm

### Thursday - Highworth Community Centre

4 to 6 Year Olds - 4:15pm to 5:45pm

6 to 8 Year Olds - 4:45pm to 6:15pm - **NEW 2020**

9 to 18 Year Olds - 4:30pm to 7:30pm

Classes also available in Faringdon on a Friday afternoon  
and all day on a Saturday.

Childcare  
**Choices**  
WE NOW OFFER  
**TAX - FREE  
CHILDCARE!**

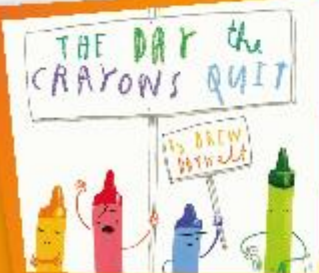


## SPRING TERM IS SHOWTERM

at Stagecoach Performing Arts in Highworth  
and Shrivenham



Ahoy, Me Hearties! Our Main Stage students, aged 6 to 18 years, (in Highworth) we will be presenting a show called 'Heart of the Seas'. Which is our version of Pirates of the Caribbean! There are some great parts in singing, dance and drama for girls and boys! This is going to be our BEST show term EVER! Please note our 6 to 8 year olds do a 90 minute session each week and our students aged 9+ will participate for 3 hours a week.



Our Early Stage students aged 4 to 6 years will be working on a presentation called 'The Day the Crayons Quit'. This beautiful story will showcase all children in singing, dancing and acting. This story is about friendship, acceptance and tolerance, which is perfect for this age group. Don't delay enrol for a two week trial today!

Call James on 01367 240663

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Registers now  
open for the  
spring term.