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**Letters sent home & e-School messages this week:** Traffic Incident, (Y6) Secondary Transfer Results

Dear all

Many of us are hoping the good weather this week lasts into the weekend as 39 children from Year 6, along with 6 teachers, are setting off on our first residential trip in almost 2 years. We are very excited!

The return to a more 'normal' period of school operation has enabled us to resume extra-curricular sporting activity. The schedule for our participation in Sports Hub events can be found using this link: [https://www.highworth.bucks.sch.uk/web/sports\\_hub\\_events/576310](https://www.highworth.bucks.sch.uk/web/sports_hub_events/576310)

In addition, many of you will know that we have re-started after school sports clubs. We have had a great response with up to 40 children staying each afternoon to enjoy a range of sports. Letters explaining how to enroll your children in next half term's clubs will come home shortly, but you can find out which clubs are available to which year groups and when using this link: <https://www.highworth.bucks.sch.uk/web/clubs/576309>

As I mentioned last week, next Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> October, will be a mufti day when we ask for donations for the One Can Trust, our local foodbank. Please see the end of the Newsletter for the current list of items most needed by One Can Trust. Your generous support will be much appreciated as One Can are currently supporting over 400 families in our local area.

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: 98.6% (CLASS 6S)  
WELL DONE**

**OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS  
BELOW TARGET AT 94%**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES THIS WEEK:

### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October – 7.30pm

PTA AGM Meeting via Zoom including a Q & A Session with Mrs Pankhania. To access the link send an email request to: [reception@highworthcombined.co.uk](mailto:reception@highworthcombined.co.uk)

### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October

Mufti Day – bring a donation for the One Can Trust

## PARENT ZONE

# Buckinghamshire Family Information Service

A one stop shop for families in Buckinghamshire.

<https://directory.familyinfo.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/>

**Childcare & Early Years** - Search local childcare, the options available and the help towards the costs.

**Special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)** - Our local offer advice and support for children and young people aged 0 to 25 years.

**Advice and support for families** - Advice and support for issues affecting families, including money, addiction, pregnancy and parenting.

**Family support** - Information and support available from the Family Support Service.

**Education and learning** - How school admissions work, tips on supporting your child's education and discover local schools and support.

**Things to do** - Find out what's happening in Buckinghamshire for you and your family.

**Family centres** - Activities and services for children, young people and families including health visitor appointments, youth drop-ins, play sessions and parenting courses.

**Youthspace** - Information and support for 11 to 19s, including activities, youth projects, education and learning, mental health, and preparing for adulthood.

**News for families and young people** - Updates and reminders from your Family Information Service.

**Family Services Directory** - local activities, organisations and things to do.

**Things to do outdoors** - Outdoor activities and ideas for the family including parks, playgrounds, and places to visit



**Buckinghamshire Family Learning**

Would you like to improve your family's well-being this Autumn?

Would you like to explore ways to engage your children in activities around getting outside and being active?

**Active Well-being**  
For parents of children in Primary school in Buckinghamshire.

We'll be thinking about:

- Mindfulness in nature
- Ways to explore the Season and ideas for half term
- Nature based craft activities to help your child improve their mental health

These activities will contribute to building confidence and independence and provide opportunities for shared experiences and building positive relationships.

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October 12.30 - 2.30pm**  
To book your place, please visit: [Family Learning Courses](#) or phone 01296 383582  
For more information contact Mandy on 07825 862029

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**Buckinghamshire Family Learning**

Learn, simple first aid for the family including basic CPR.

Discover hints and tips using everyday items from home.

**Everyday First Aid**

Join our **free**, 2.5 hour workshop with a qualified paramedic  
For parents and carers of children at Primary school in Buckinghamshire

**Thursday 21st October**  
**Highcrest Adult Learning Centre 9.30am – 12pm**

To book your place, please click on: [Family Learning Courses](#) or call the enrolment team on 01296 383582

For more information text or call Mandy on 07825 862029

  
**First Aid**

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## SHOPPING LIST

### **We urgently need...**

- UHT Milk
- Fresh fruit & veg
- Rice (500g)
- Cooking sauces
- Tinned mixed veg
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned ham & corned beef
- Tinned fish
- Tinned pulses
- Biscuits
- Deodorants
- Toilet roll
- Nappies (sizes 3-7 only)
- Baby milk (stages 1 & 2)
- Wahing up liquid
- Tinned Halal meat
- Egg boxes

### **We currently don't need...**

- Peas & sweetcorn
- Tea
- Alcohol
- Homemade food
- Out of date food
- Opened packets