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Newsletter – 20th September Issue 2

Letters sent home & eSchool messages this week: Changes to the School Calendar, Secondary Transfer Test Update (Y6), Multi-skills Festival (Y2), Thursday Assembly (Y3-Y6)

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you are enjoying the unexpectedly warm weather as much as we are. Being able to make full use of the field and outdoor areas so late in the year has made for very happy children (and adults!).

Thank you to those parents who took part in our annual survey. You will find the results of the survey at the bottom of this newsletter. This week, the Extended Management Team and I met to write the School Development Plan for the forthcoming school year. We used your feedback to help us identify priorities and will be working to find ways to improve.

Each year we work with the Wycombe and Marlow Teaching Alliance, based at Chepping View School, to support graduates wishing to train as teachers. If you are considering a career in teaching, please may I suggest that you use this link to find out more about applications for this academic year?

<https://www.cheppingviewscitt.com/>

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: 99.3% (CLASS 4NS)
WELL DONE!**

**OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS
JUST ABOVE TARGET AT 96.5%**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Monday 23rd September

Women's Health and Wellbeing course –
9.30am to 11:30am

Tuesday 24th September

Open Afternoon for Prospective Parents -
1:30pm to 2:30pm

Thursday 26th September

Open Morning for Prospective Parents –
9.15am to 10:15am

Meeting for Parents **AND** Y6 children
attending trip to Marchants Hill – 6:30pm to
7:30pm

P.T.A. NEWS

We were delighted with the turnout at our open evening this week.

If, for any reason, you could not make it but still want information about the PTA, then please contact us via Facebook, Highworth Friends PTA or by email, highworthfriends@gmail.com

A poster is displayed on the noticeboards with a rough outlay of what went on last year.

We are on the lookout for a new Chair, Secretary and Deputy Treasurer. Please contact us if you are interested!

Our next event is the fireworks evening on **Thursday 24th October**, so please keep the date free!

For Parents of New Reception & Nursery Children

We have been able to reserve some seats at this year's Wycombe Swan pantomime Dick Whittington at the significantly discounted price of £16.50 per seat.

The performances available are:

Wednesday 18th December 1.30pm

Thursday 2nd January 2020 5.30pm

These seats can only be reserved for a short time, so bookings will need to be made on a first come first served basis and by **Thursday 26th September** at the latest. At least £2 from each ticket goes directly to Highworth PTA.

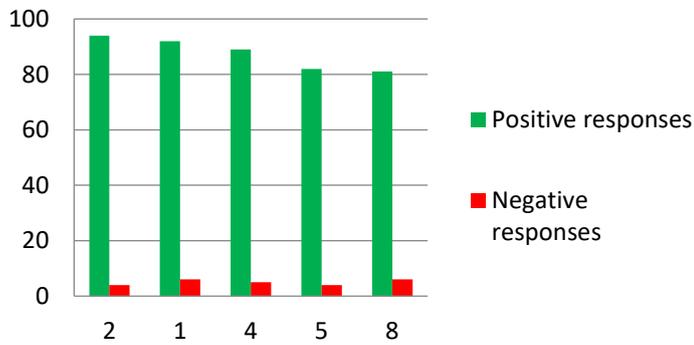
Bookings can be made via our facebook page - Highworth Friends PTA, email to highworthfriends@gmail.com or text 07866547467

Payment can be made by bank transfer to our PTA bank account giving your surname followed by "PANTO" as reference.



2018-2019
Highworth Combined School Survey Results

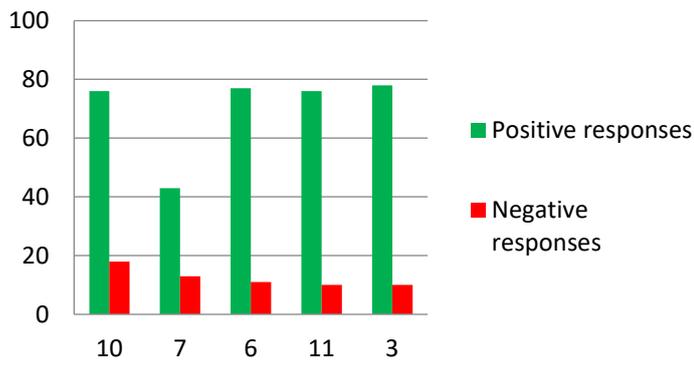
Parent Survey - (Positive)



101 parents

- Q2) My child feels safe at this school (94%)
- Q1) My child is happy at this school (92%)
- Q4) My child is well looked after at this school (89%)
- Q5) My child is taught well at this school (82%)
- Q8) The school is well led and managed (81%)

Parent Survey - (Negative)



- Q10) I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress (18%)
- Q7) The school deals effectively with bullying (13%)
- Q6) The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved (11%)
- Q11) I would be happy to recommend this school to another parent (10%)
- Q3) My child makes good progress at this school (10%)