



# Highwood Primary School

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Newsletter 9

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we look forward to the last week of term and the Easter holidays may I remind you that school finishes at **2pm on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April**. The first day back at school for the children will be **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April** when we will begin the term with our whole school theme based around the Women's Football World Cup.

## Parent Consultations

Thank you to all of you who have already booked an appointment with your child's teacher at our Parent Consultations next week. If you have not yet booked, please speak to your child's class teacher. We look forward to seeing you all on Monday or Tuesday evening to discuss your child's progress and attainment.

## Maternity News

We all wish both Miss Nleya and Mrs Boyle well as they start their maternity leave and look forward to the new additions to their families in the next couple of months. I am sure they will be back to see everyone before the end of the Summer Term.

## Governor News

At our termly Governing Body Meeting on Wednesday March 27<sup>th</sup> Mrs Anjali Carter formally stepped down from her position as Chair of Governors following her resignation from the governing body at the beginning of March. Mrs Carter has contributed a huge amount to Highwood in her five and a half years as governor for which all at the school are very grateful. I am pleased therefore, to be able to announce that Mrs Carter has accepted the position of Finance and Premises Manager at Highwood. As Chair of Governors Mrs Carter has only been able to work a maximum of 12 hours a week since she accepted the position at the beginning of March. She will take up the role full time after Easter once all her duties as a governor are completed.

The governing body have elected Mrs Jo Johnson as Chair of Governors until the next election of positions in September 2019.





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### Message from Hertfordshire County Council Active and Safer Travel Team

Most people do wear their seatbelts but still nearly ten per cent choose not to – help them make the right decision for themselves and others. If you have friends or family, who still do not realise how important it is to belt up, have that conversation and make sure they know how much you value their safety, and everyone else's in the vehicle. Please make sure children are secured in the most appropriate car seat for their age and height. For more on seatbelts and car seats go to [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/seatbelts](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/seatbelts)

The Hertfordshire Road Safety Partnership is supporting the seatbelt campaign run by Roads Policing, raising awareness about the importance of wearing your seatbelt. You can receive a fine of up to £500 if you are caught not wearing your seatbelt. We would be delighted if you were able to be involved and support the campaign – thank you.

**Please remember to look at the 'Dates for your Diary' section below**

Kind Regards,  
Mrs Cathy Cox  
Head Teacher

### Head Teacher's Awards

The following children have earned and celebrated their Headteacher's Awards since the last newsletter. Congratulations to all of them for all their hard work and perseverance.

Birch 2	Issabella-Eve, Lena, Jola, Mahdi
Beech 2	Aaryan, Thalisha, Sehisha, Millie, Kian, Arianna
Maple 3	
Cedar 3	Aaron, Isaac
Hazel 4	Natalie, Lucie
Hawthorn 4	Jaydan
Poplar 5	Kaycie-Leigh
Chestnut 6	
Sycamore 6	Layla, Stephanie, Liam, Simi



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## Dates for your diary

Week 12	
Monday 1 April	Local visit to North Bushey Baptist Church for Y1 – Y6 Beech 2 Local Area Walk Y4 – Selected children to Elton House Parent Consultations
Tuesday 2 April	Y4 Athletics tournament at Queens' School Parent Consultations
Wednesday 3 April	Birch 2 Local Area Walk Y4 Road Safety Pedestrian Skills Workshops
Friday 5 April	<b>Ash Reception Sharing Assembly + Parent Reading event</b> <b>2:00pm</b> End of term for pupils
<b>Easter Holiday (Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April inclusive)</b>	
Monday 8 April – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holiday dance/drama workshop: Starburst Academy (details to be provided)
Week 1	
Tuesday 23 April	<b>INSET DAY 4: School Closed to pupils</b>
Wednesday 24 April	Start of term for pupils
Week 2	
Tuesday 30 April	Y5 Mini Police Session 1
Friday 3 May	<b>Poplar 5 Sharing Assembly and Parent Reading event</b>
Week 3	
Monday 6 May	<b>Bank Holiday – School Closed</b>
Tuesday 7 May	Y3 trip to Verulamium Museum, St. Albans
Friday 10 May	<b>Elm 1 Sharing Assembly and Parent Reading Event</b>
Week 4	
Y6 SATS Week	
Tuesday 14 May	Early Years trip to Paradise Wildlife Park
Friday 17 May	<b>Pine 1 Sharing Assembly and Parent Reading Event</b>
Week 5	
Wednesday 22 May	Y5 Mini Police Session 2
Friday 24 May	<b>Non – Uniform Day: Friends Event</b> <b>Willow 5 Sharing Assembly and Parent Reading Event</b>
<b>Half Term (Monday 27 May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May)</b>	
Week 6	
Monday 3 June	<b>INSET Day 5- School closed to pupils</b>



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Tuesday 4 June	Start of half term for pupils Y5 Mini Police Session 3
Wednesday 5 June	Year 5 Sex Education and Transition to Year 7 Meeting for Parents 6.00pm
<b>Week 7</b> Phonics Screening Check in Y1	
Tuesday 11 June	Year 2 Sex Education meeting for parents 6.00pm
Wednesday 12 June	New to Reception Autumn 2019 meeting for parents 6.00pm
Friday 14 June	<b>Maple 3 Sharing Assembly and Parent Reading Event</b>
Saturday 15 June	Friends' Summer Fair 12.00pm – 3.00pm
<b>Week 8</b>	
Tuesday 18 June	Class Photos with Van Cols New to Nursery Autumn 2019 meeting for parents 6.00pm
Wednesday 19 June	6:00pm Y6 Puppet Performance for parents
Thursday 20 June	Y5 Mini Police Session 4 6:00pm Y6 Puppet Performance for parents
Friday 21 June	<b>Cedar 3 Sharing Assembly and Parent Reading Event</b>
<b>Week 9</b>	
Monday 24 June	Early Years Sports Day 9.30am
Friday 28 June	<b>Hazel 4 Sharing Assembly and Parent Reading Event</b>
<b>Week 10</b>	
Tuesday 2 July	Open Evening 5.30pm – 7.00pm
Friday 5 July	Sports Day for Years 1, 2 and 3 9.30am - 11.30am Sports Day for Years 4, 5 and 6 1.20pm - 3.20pm
<b>Week 11</b>	
Friday 12 July	Reports out to parents
<b>Week 12</b>	
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers Assembly
<b>Week 13</b>	
Wednesday 24 July	<b>2:00pm End of term for pupils</b>