



# Highwood Primary School

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Promoting Resilience, Achieving Potential

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been fantastic to have a busy school again this week. We have loved seeing all of the children back and enjoying their learning. The children have settled very well and have quickly got used to the new routines. Thank you for your continued support with helping us to manage our staggered starts and pick-ups. We have had lots of positive feedback and suggestions, which we have listened to and tried to implement where possible. Please can we say a big thank you to everyone for your co-operation in sticking to our one-way systems, using the entry and exit gates and maintaining social distancing. As we get through the term, we will continue to improve the processes in place and we really appreciate your help as these evolve.

## **Coronavirus Update**

As I am sure you are aware, our local area has seen a rise in Coronavirus cases recently and whilst we hope that we will not need to go into local lockdown, we are preparing for the worst, in case this should happen. All of our teachers have had training on 'G-Suite for Education' our new Google software and next week, all Key Stage 2 children will be learning how to log on to Google Classroom during their computing lessons. Children in Early Years and Key Stage 1 will be receiving their login details to bring home with them. Should a child need to self-isolate or should we have to go into local lockdown, we hope that this will provide a seamless transition into online learning.

## **Clubs**

Many parents have been asking about our Breakfast Club and we know how useful it is for lots of our families. Unfortunately, at the moment we are unable to run this club within the guidelines that we need to follow. We are constantly reviewing this and are aiming to have it back up and running as soon as possible. Our Tea Time Club is currently open and has spaces should you require after school care for your child. All other after school clubs will be resuming shortly and we will be sending out further information in due course.

## **We Are Proud Of...**

Daniel in Willow 5 for completing his Merit Chart. Though we cannot have an Achievement Assembly, we will still be running Golden Ticket rewards at the end of half term. Ronnie in Chestnut 6 for his amazing community fundraising effort over lockdown. Ronnie raised £1500 for Bushey Rangers by completing a set of challenges and was featured in the local MyBusheyNews for his achievement. Well done to both of you.



**Mrs Cox's Gift to the Children**

Today, we held our first ever video assembly where we congratulated the children on adapting so well to all of the changes. We also opened a gigantic present from Mrs Cox, which she gave to all of the children at Highwood, that has been sitting in our office. We were thrilled to find out that it is a brilliant pop-up sensory den! Thank you Mrs Cox!

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone next week.

Kind regards,

Ms Green and Mrs Harte  
Interim Co-Headteachers