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Promoting Resilience, Achieving Potential
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back - A New Year of Growth and Learning by Promoting Resilience and Achieving Every Child's Potential!

We hope this message finds you and your families in good health. We hope you had a wonderful holiday filled with joy and relaxation. As we embark on another exciting spring term at Highwood we extend a warm welcome back to all our staff, parents, and pupils. On behalf of the school team, thank you so much for your Christmas gifts and cards. They are truly appreciated.

We shall be liaising with Friends of Highwood Committee to plan additional events for this year so we will keep you updated.

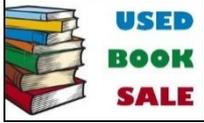
Keep warm and Best wishes,

Bindu Rai
 Headteacher

Diary Dates for the Spring term and some summer term dates;

06/01/25	Welcome back – Start of Spring Term
09/01/25	Prospective parent and carer Nursery and Reception Tour
14/01/25	Zoo Lab workshop all day with Year 3
17/01/25	Year 1 local walking trip to Fishers Field
20/01/25	Year 6 Trip to Hendon RAF Museum
From 20/01/24	Personal Support Plan Meeting for some parent/ carers with their child. The class teacher will arrange an appointment.
23/01/25 	National Handwriting Week - In today's society, technology is everywhere. However, handwriting is still part of our daily lives. We will promote the importance of writing
24/01/25 – 26/01/25	 Record the highest number of each bird species you see at any one time in your garden for one hour https://www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch
27/01/25	Holocaust Memorial Day



<p>27/01/05</p> <p>From 3.20 – 4.20pm</p>	<p>Book and Floor Book Look – starts 5 minutes after each year group’s finish time. This is an opportunity to look through your child’s books after school. It’s a great way to spend time with your child encouraging them to talk about what they have learnt and enjoyed the most. The class teacher will not be available to give feedback. This is carried out during Parent Consultation meetings.</p>
<p>29/01/25</p>	<p>Happy Lunar New Year. Year of the Snake Warm wishes to those marking this special Occasion.</p> 
<p>31/01/25</p>	<p>Birch 2 class Assembly 2.45pm</p>
<p>03/02/25</p>	<p>National Mental Health Week. The theme is Know Yourself, Grow Yourself</p> 
<p>03/02/25</p>	<p>School Nurse Screening visit Oak class (height, weight, vision and hearing)</p>
<p>04/02/25</p>	<p>School Nurse Screening visit Ash class (height, weight, vision and hearing)</p>
<p>10/02/25</p>	<p>Bikeability lessons all week for some Year 5 pupils</p>
<p>11/02/25</p>	<p>Safer Internet Day</p>
<p>14/02/25</p>	<p>Sycamore 6 class Assembly 9.10am</p>
<p>14/02/25</p>	<p>Break up Half term Holiday – Normal finish time</p>
<p>24/02/25</p>	<p>Pupils return to school</p>
<p>24/02/25 – 27/02/25</p> 	<p>Friends of Highwood – Please bring any books in good condition that you no longer want. Please donate clean preloved costumes. Enjoy giving and sharing with others!</p>  
<p>26/02/25</p>	<p>Willow 5 class Assembly 9.10am</p>
<p>27/02/25</p> 	<p>Friends of Highwood – Tuck Shop and preloved Costume and Book sale in preparation for World Book day 2024 Further details will be sent out nearer the time.</p>

March and April



Waste Week led by Eco Committee and School Council – details will be shared nearer the time.

It's a great way to get the whole school working together, behind an environmental caring project.

We will be discussing and checking the food waste created at snack time and lunchtime.

We will be involved in getting our school grounds tidy and litter-free.

04/03/25	Shrove Tuesday
05/03/25	Ash Wednesday
06/03/25	World Book Day
07/03/25	Hazel 4 Sharing Assembly
10/03/25	British Science Fortnight – details to be confirmed
14/03/25	Year 1 Trip to Windsor Castle
14/03/25	Cedar 3 class Assembly 9.10am
17/03/25	St Patricks Day – Patron Saint of Ireland
18/03/25	Parent Consultation Meetings
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30/03/25 or 31/03/25	Eid - Ul -Fitr – to be confirmed. Warm wishes to those marking this special occasion.
28/03/25	Pine 1 class Assembly 2.45pm
01/04/25	Beech 2 class Assembly 2.45pm
04/04/25	Pupils break up. School Ends at 2.00pm Warm wishes to those marking the Easter special occasion.
21/04/25	Easter Monday – School closed
22/04/25	Start of summer term
22/04/25	INSET Day – school closed to pupils. Staff training day
23/04/25	Pupils return. St George's Day
25/04/25	Year 1 local walking trip to Fishers Field
05/05/25	Bank Holiday Monday
08/05/25	Year 2 trip to Florence Nightingale Museum – To be confirmed
12/05/25	KS2 Year 6 SATs will take place
23/05/25	Break up for half term
26/05/25-30/05/25	Half Term Holiday
02/06/25	INSET Day – school closed to pupils. Staff training day
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04/06/25	Pupils return
From 09/06/25	Year 4 Multiplication Times table Check and Year 1 Phonics screening will take place during June

<p>04/06/25</p> 	<p>Class Photograph Day with Van Cols Photography Company</p>
<p>12/06/25 – 16/06/25</p>	<p>Healthy Eating Week -Theme: Find your healthier you</p> 
<p>10/06/25 19/06/25</p>	<p>Year 3 Knebworth House Trip Travelling Book Fair – details to follow</p> 
	<p style="text-align: center;">Further events will be added</p> <p style="text-align: center;">We look forward to you helping and joining us at many of these events.</p>