

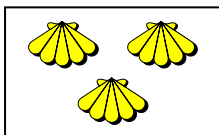
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High Wych CE Primary School

*Success and Excellence within a Caring Christian Environment*

(Founded in 1861)



# New Decade

## Welcome back

I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and we look forward to an exciting, busy term.

## Value of the month

January Value is **Endurance (perseverance)** and the stories used to support this are Down in the Well (Jeremiah 38) and The Good Shepherd (Matthew 18 Luke 15)

SUCCESSFUL- Please see the website for a list of the values used.

## Year 1 and 2 - Ready Set Ride for 5 weeks

We are really pleased to have booked cycling sessions for Year 1 and 2 where the children will have a chance to learn very valuable cycling skills. The company brought in bikes for the children to use and they really enjoyed today's first session.

## Easter School

We will be running Easter school for the Year 6 children, this will run from Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April until Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April, 9am until 12 noon. More details to follow.

## Book Fair and World Book day - March

Advance notice - we will be holding a Book Fair on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and dressing up for World Book day on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. The theme will be either a classic book character or writer (from over 100 years ago eg Dickens, Shakespeare) or a costume related to an architect/designer and/or their building/design so long as the children bring in a related book (eg Sir Christopher Wren/St Pauls cathedral). I am sure you will come up with some fantastic, creative ideas like you did last year!

## Punctuality

Too many children are arriving in their classrooms after 8.50 am each day. Please arrive in good time so that your child is sat in their seat ready to start the day promptly at 8.50 am. This will ensure that your child has a good start to the day and does not disrupt the rest of the class and the office staff.

## Nursery applications - for children born between 1/9/16 & 31/8/17

The online system for applying for Nursery places opens on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February - you have to apply direct to the school. Full details and an application link will be on our school website [www.highwych.herts.sch.uk](http://www.highwych.herts.sch.uk) Applications close on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March at noon. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Abbs in the School office. We offer 15 or 30 hours provision. Please pass this information on to any family/friends who may be interested. Visits to see the school are available.

### Science Dome

We are looking forward to another visit from the Science Dome. This year they are coming in for two days which means that Reception and KS1 children can also enjoy the experience. More details to follow nearer the time.

### Orchestra

If you play an instrument and would like to come along and join our Orchestra, it takes place in the school hall every Friday morning at 8.10am. Adults and children welcome. If you would like more information please speak to Mrs Earl or Mr Davis. There is a nominal charge of £10 per term for each child.

### New heating system

Please be aware that Herts County Council are currently updating our plumbing so you may see workmen on the school premises for the rest of this term. At times the children will need to vacate their classrooms to allow access but we will ensure any disruption is kept to a minimum.

### Dates for the term

6 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	Inset day
7 <sup>th</sup> January	Term starts
January	Value of the month: Endurance
14 <sup>th</sup> January	Yr 6 Readers to Leventhorpe
16 <sup>th</sup> January	Yr 1 and 2 Ready Set Ride for 5 weeks
20 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	High Wych Road closed between Broadfields & High Wych Lane, from 9.30 to 4pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Year 5 and 6 History Day- Victorians
24 <sup>th</sup> January	Yr 3 swim for 4 weeks
27 <sup>th</sup> January	Yr 2 Safety Seymour session
3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Yr 4 History Day- Egyptians
3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Nursery applications open
10 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent Consultations 3.30-6.30pm
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day
17 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup> February	Half Term
28 <sup>th</sup> February	Reception Screening
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Yr 1 Duxford
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Book Fair
5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Choir to Royal Albert Hall
9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Dome
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Class photos
18 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Mother's Day pop up shop
25 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring in your step day
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Yr 5 and 6 KNEX Day
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Egg Hunt
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Easter Service 10.30
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Finish 2pm
14 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Yr 6 Easter School 9-12

Yours sincerely  
Mrs M. J. West  
Headteacher