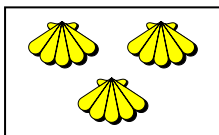


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Church School Inspection

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We have a Church Inspector visiting on Wednesday 25th January for the day. She will be inspecting how good the school is as a church school. We look forward to sharing all the wonderful things we do at school and how the children use the school Christian values to support them in their lives to succeed and develop into well rounded children. We will let you know her findings when we have them.

Christian Value of the Month

We have spent January focusing on our value of 'Endurance' using the bible stories of 'The Lost Sheep' and 'Down the well' to support the children's understanding. February's value is Service- to serve God is to serve others. Stories to support this are- 'The paralyzed Man' and 'Ruth and Naomi'. Children should think about how to show their appreciation and gratitude to those who serve and how they can serve others. We look forward to developing the children's understanding further. All values for the year can be found on our school website.

Health for Kids - new website

Health For Kids is a new website which provides a wealth of health information for children between the ages of 4 and 11. There are activities for parents/carers/teachers to enjoy with children, advice to support their development and much more. To view the website please visit www.healthforkids.co.uk. There is a dedicated Hertfordshire page to provide local health updates, events and information, and has the contact details of all School Nursing Teams across the county and signposts to relevant services.

Healthy Children's Centre

Make 2017 about improving your family's health. Lots of activities taking place on Monday 6th February 10-2pm at Sawbridgeworth Scout Hut. See attached for more information.

Year 3 and Year 4 History days

Please send in your forms and money as soon as possible to enable your child to take part in these fantastic days. Thank you to those parents who have already done this.

Absence

We have been informed by our Attendance Improvement Officer that it is not adequate to record absence as 'unwell' so if you leave a message on the phone or the email can you please specify what is wrong with your child. Thank you for your co-operation and help with this.

The email address to report absence is:

absence@highwych.herts.sch.uk

Young Voices

Our choir of 35 children and staff had a fabulous time last Wednesday 18th January at the Young Voices concert at the O2. It was a wonderful experience and the children performed brilliantly. Thank you to all the parents who attended and were able to watch the children. We enjoyed being part of the 7,500 choir supporting professional singers, beat boxers and street dancers. A big thank you to Mrs Hundley for introducing this new initiative for High Wych and running the choir practices after school. We very much hope to take part next year too.

Used stamps

We have been asked to help out a charity by collecting used stamps for the charity Nowzad. The website is www.nowzad.com. When soldiers at war befriend an animal that they can't bear to leave behind the charity will pay to bring it back, put it through quarantine and then return it to the soldier for the animal's forever home. Please send in any stamps to the office. Thank you.

Indoor Athletics competition - Friday 27th January

Good luck to those children in Year 5 and 6 who will be representing us at the Athletics competition on Friday.

Gym competitions

Good luck to our teams who will represent us at the upcoming Level 2 competitions.

Dates for the term

Wednesday 25 th January	SIAMS church inspection
Tuesday 31 st January	Year 3 Roman Day
Thursday 2 nd February	Year 4 Viking day
Thursday 9 th February	Year 3/4 gym competition
Monday 13th- 17th February	Half term
Thursday 23 rd February	Year 1/2 gym competition
Tuesday 28 th February	Book Fair
Wednesday 22 nd March	Year 6 Rhodes music festival
Friday 24 th March	Red Nose day
Mon/Tues 27/28 th March	Parent consultations
Wednesday 29 th March	Easter Service 9.30
Friday 31 st March	End of term - finish 2pm
Monday 3 rd -6 th April	Easter School Year 6
Tuesday 18 th April	Children return

Yours sincerely
Mrs M. J. West
Headteacher