

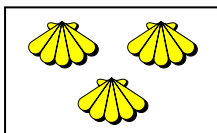
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High Wych CE Primary School

Success and Excellence within a Caring Christian Environment

(Founded in 1861)



Parent Consultations

Value of the month

March's Value is **Sincere (Truthful)** and the stories used to support this are The Burning Bush (Exodus 3-4) and Big Spender (Luke 15). **SUCCESSFUL**- Please see the website for a list of the values used.

Parent Consultations

Monday 27th March and Wednesday 29th March

The booking system for the upcoming parent consultations will be open from **Tuesday 14th March** and will be available to book until Thursday 23rd March at 12 noon. Slots are bookable through Arbor.

This booking system worked well in October when we first used it. Consultations will be face to face and take place in the school hall. Please be prompt for your booked appointment. Access will be from the main school car park.

Families First

What is Families First?

Families First is the term used in Hertfordshire for services that work together to support families who need extra help.

These are also known as early help services.

We all experience difficulties at some point. Families First can help you find early help and information to prevent issues from getting worse. If you need more help than your usual support network - for example your health visitor, school, doctor or family centre - we can work with you and your family to create a package of support.

Who is it for?

Families First is available to all Hertfordshire families with children under 18 (25 if they have a learning need or disability).

Issues we can help with:

- parenting
- mental and physical health problems
- drug or alcohol dependency
- domestic abuse
- school related concerns - eg child is not attending school
- debt problems
- risk of becoming homeless.

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/microsites/families-first/families-first.aspx>



Reminder - Outstanding Dinner Money

Thank you to those parents that ensure their children's dinner accounts are kept topped up and in credit. Some accounts still have a large negative balance, so before we contact you to inform you that we are unable to provide a meal, can you please settle the amounts outstanding.

For the Summer term can we respectfully ask that you pay in advance for meals so we don't need to keep issuing reminders. Thank you.

School Uniform

Please name **all** items of uniform so we are able to return any items that get left around school to the correct children.

Black School shoes

Please ensure the children are wearing plain black shoes to school. Boots are not part of our school uniform. Thank you.

Earthquake Cake sale

Thank you for your amazing support of our recent cake sale. We raised £493 and have sent this to the Disasters Emergency Committee fund. Well done to the Year 5 Young Leaders for organising this.

Reflection Area

We are creating a Reflection area on our field. Currently we have installed benches with our school values inscribed on them. The RE council are creating mosaic stepping stones, also with the values on, for the area. In the summer term we have an artist coming in to work with the KS2 children to produce group art work for the area. We would also like to add some planting so if any parents have any gardening skills or would like to donate towards planters we would very much like to hear from you. This should be a lovely space for the children to use when it's finished.

Dates for the term

10 th March	Nursery application Sept 23 entry closes
14 th March	Yr 2 History off the page - Gt Fire of London
15 th March	Knex day Yr 5 & Yr 6
15 th & 17 th March	PTA Mother's Day pop up shop
17 th March	Red Nose day - non-school uniform
23 rd March	Yr 3 Celtic Harmony Trip
26 th March	PTA Easter Egg event
27 th & 29 th March	Parent Consultations
30 th March	Easter church service
31 st March	Term ends 2pm Finish
3 rd April-5 th April	Easter school- 9-12 Yr 6 12-3 Yr 5
3 rd - 14 th April	Easter Holiday
17 th April	Summer term starts

Yours sincerely
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Headteacher