



Value of the month - Understanding

## Message from Headteacher

Newsletter

Christmas Shoe Box - Christmas will soon be upon us and it is that time of year again that we invite you to support the Christmas Box appeal. Your child should have received a leaflet explaining what you need to do if you wish to contribute to this. We had great support last year and we look forward to receiving your boxes after half term (by Friday 8th November).

Poppies - After half term, Year 6 pupils will be visiting all classrooms to sell poppies for Remembrance Sunday. If you forget, please do not worry they will be visiting everyday until 11.11.24. Minimum 50p, some wrist bands are £1.

Staffing - We are very sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Thwaites, who worked in After School Club - we wish her all the best in her new work.

Uniform - Pupils at High Wych School take pride in their uniform - I have seen a huge improvement in hair being tied back in the correct school colours and pupils making sure they have trainers for PE as well as school shoes.

Unfortunately, we are still accumulating a large amount of uniform in our 'lost property,' which is not named. The PTA have a solution for this - it will not only help you but raise money for the school PTA. See information below.

Please also make sure that earrings are small plain studs only and must be removed for PE - thank you.

Absence Email - The absence email is no longer active. Please leave your message on the answer phone rather than emailing admin@ - thank you.



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## HEADTEACHER'S AWARD



The Headteacher's Award was presented to pupils in Years 3, 4 and 5 These children have exemplified our value of the month, Understanding - well done.



# Upcoming Events

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### 2025/2026 RECEPTION OPEN MORNING AND TOUR DATES

Friday 8th November - 9.30 am - 10.30am

Monday 11th November - 9.30 am - 10.30am

Thursday 28th November - 9.30 am - 10.30am

### ATTENDANCE

Year Group	Attendance % for the Academic Year so Far
Reception	94.7%
Orange Class (1)	86.8%
Yellow Class (2)	88%
Green Class (3)	88.06%
Violet Class (4)	87.8%
Blue Class (5)	96.7%
Indigo Class (6)	84.7%
Whole School Attendance - 94.8%	
National Attendance - 95.3%	
Whole School Target - 96%	

21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Individual & family Photos
21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Parent Consultation
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Parent Consultation
24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Harvest Festival - 10am in Church
24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Spook Fest
25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Inset Day
Half Term	
8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Reception 2025/2026 open morning and tours - 9.30 - 10.30
11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Reception 2025/2026 open morning and tours - 9.30 - 10.30
15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Children in Need
28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Reception 2025/2026 open morning and tours 9.30 - 10.30
29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Occasional Day - school closed
11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Pantomime
12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Carol service
12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	PTA Christmas Disco
16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KSI Nativity - 9.15am EYFS/FS Nativity - 11am
17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KSI Nativity - 9.15am EYFS/FS Nativity - 11am
18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Dinner
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last Day - Finish at 2pm
6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Inset Day
7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	First Day of Term

### PTA

The PTA are looking for new members to join their team. If you are keen to get involved, then please contact them using their email.

[pta@highwych.herts.sch.uk](mailto:pta@highwych.herts.sch.uk)

If you would like to just help at certain events such as Christmas Disco or Spook Fest then the PTA would like to hear from you so they can set up small committee's for each event.

Likewise, if you want to help in a specific area, such as decoration, leaflet design or have other hidden talents, then just drop them an email.

### Clothing Labels

The PTA is now part of the fundraising scheme organised by Stikins, a name label provider. If you make any purchases at <https://www.stikins.co.uk>, and input our unique number 9566, the PTA will earn 30% commission for the school.

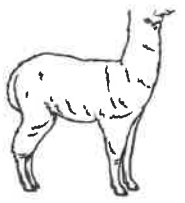


Name Labels | Clothes Name Labels For School  
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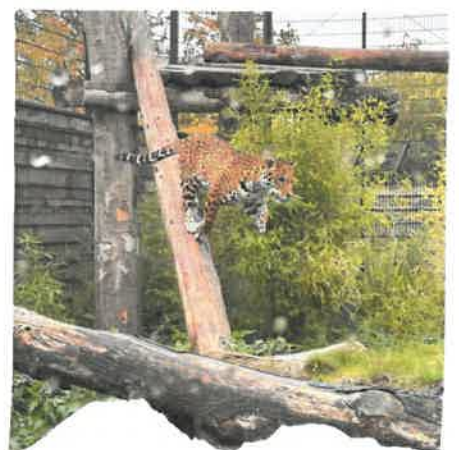
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# Year 2 School Trip



HERTFORDSHIRE ZOO.





## Show Racism the Red Card



We had Show Racism the Red Card in on Friday and many children wore red in support of Showing Racism the Red Card. They delivered a whole school collective worship and workshops for Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6.  
Thank you for your support in this.

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# Invite and Inspire

FREE workshops for Year 5 and Year 6 children.

Saturday 9 November 2024

9.00am – 12.00pm, Bishop's Stortford College

An academic enrichment programme developed to spark intellectual curiosity and ignite a love for lifelong learning.

November Workshops:

- Young Scientists
- Design Technology
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