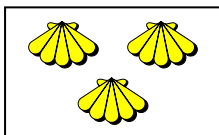


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High Wych CE Primary School
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Compassion

Orchestra Christmas songs - tomorrow

Please come and join us in the hall on Wednesday 5th December at 8.40 for 10 minutes to hear the orchestra play Christmas songs. We look forward to seeing you there. This will be the last Orchestra of the term. If your child plays an instrument and would like to join next term please let Mrs White know.

School Value for December

Our value for December is Compassion and the stories that support our value are 'Jar and a jug' and 'The secret baby'.

Admissions Arrangements

Leventhorpe School is consulting on its proposed admissions arrangements for the school year 2020/2021 and is seeking responses from parents and carers.

The proposed changes are

1. The introduction of a new criterion (criterion 2) to give priority to children previously looked after by the state abroad and subsequently adopted
2. The introduction of a new criterion (criterion 6) to give additional priority to children residing within the parishes of Gilston and Eastwick

The consultation period runs from 19th November 2018 - 6th January 2019. Please send any comments to Jackie Moodie, Clerk to the Governing Body at Leventhorpe school.

Reception applications - September 2019

The online process is now live for Reception applications for September 2019 (Date of birth 1/9/14-31/8/15). Closing date is 15th January 2019. Please apply at: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions if you live in Herts or via Essex CC website if you live in Essex.

Festive fun - Wednesday afternoon, 19th December

The children will be enjoying an afternoon of Festive Fun on the 19th December. They can bring in their party clothes to change into. They will get the chance to dance to music in the hall, have a visit from Santa and play games in their classes. We have decided just to offer a drink of squash this year as they will have just had their dinner.

Children in Rainbow class who aren't eligible for 30 hours are very welcome to stay for the normal afternoon fee of £15.

Dinner money

Please ensure all outstanding amounts are settled in full by the end of term and can I please remind you that meals should be paid in advance.

Car parking issues

There are ongoing issues with parking in the village car park. I understand the difficulties are currently compounded by the builders using the car park; however please ensure you park considerately using the marked bays and don't block people in. I would also urge all parents who only have children in KS2 to use the drop and go facility as this will alleviate the problem considerably.

If you do use the drop and go please make sure your children are ready to exit the car swiftly on the playground side, with all their belongings so that a steady flow of cars can be maintained. Please move off quickly to allow cars behind you to move up.

Nursery - 30 hour codes

If you have a current 30-hour code can you please make sure you recheck your eligibility when prompted to by HMRC to ensure your funding for the Spring term 2019 or risk losing your funding. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Abbs for help. Parents have until 31st December 2018 to do this.

PTA Christmas Disco - Thursday 13th December, 5.30 to 7pm

Please come along and support this fun event. Entrance is by ticket only - £4 per child, £1 pre-school siblings. Tickets will be available from the office from this Thursday 6th December. If you can offer any help please contact the PTA at pta@higwych.herts.sch.uk.

Dates for the term

December	Value: Compassion
5 th December	Orchestra Christmas Songs 8.40 in hall
12 th December	Christmas service 10am in church
12 th December	Christmas Dinner and Panto
13 th December	PTA Christmas disco 5.30-7pm
14 th December	PTA Christmas shop - Parent presents
17 th December	PTA Christmas shop - Parent presents
17 th December	9.15am KS1 Nativity
18 th December	9.15am KS1 Nativity
18 th December	11am FS Nativity
19 th December	9.15am FS Nativity
19 th December	Afternoon Festive Fun
Thursday 20 th December	End of term. Finish 2pm
7 th January 2019	INSET
Tuesday 8 th January	Children return to school

Yours sincerely
Mrs M. J. West
Headteacher