November 2026
Issue 6

HIGH WYCH NEWSLETTER

EVERYONE KNOWN. EVERY CHILD NURTURED. EVERY HEART INSPIRED



Value - Empathy

Message from Headteacher

Newsletter

We are now in full swing of rehearsals for our school Nativities and Christmas preparations. The children have been busy making their Christmas Cards so please support this. It is a lovely way to add a personal touch to Christmas.

Reminders...

Friday – Occasional Day

I am sure that you do not need reminding that we have an Occasional day on Friday 27th November so please do not bring your child into school but instead enjoy your time together. Happy Christmas Shopping!

Christmas Lanterns

It is that time of year again ... Your class teachers have invited you to make a lantern in readiness for the Sawbridgeworth Christmas Lights and Fayre.

Please can you hand your lanterns in by Wednesday 25th November so that they can be delivered to Great St Mary's Church prior to Sawbridgeworth Christmas lights and Fayre. If you would like to visit this event, it is on Saturday 28th November – 6pm for lights switch on. You are able to take your lantern home after this event and on the night. Please provide the tealight with your lanterns.

Anti-Bullying Week –Mrs Collins shared the theme this year which is 'Break the Silence' in a whole school collective worship and children took part in wearing their odd socks. We will also be completing an anti-bullying survey for Years 1-6 which we do each year.

Children in Need – Thank you for your support last Friday for Children in Need. The challenge was to wear as many colours as possible and although I did not do very well, the children were amazing – please see photos attached. Thank you for your donations – they will be supporting a great cause!

Sawbridgeworth Travel – This week, I took some Year 6 pupils to Sawbridgeworth Council Chambers to collect our 'Travel Certificate' and represented our school. We were was also presented with a cheque for £50 and our School ECO Council will discuss buying something sustainable for our school.

RECEPTION TOURS - FOR SEPT 2027

Thursday 26th November – 9.30 am – 10.30am

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HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

The Headteacher's Award – this week's 'Hot Chocolate Reward' has been awarded to two Year 3 pupils who not only show our values in and around school but outside of school too. Well done!





Upcoming Events

PTA EVENTS

NOW
- CHRISTMAS DISCO

FUTURE
- 10/12/26

PAST
- KS1 & KS2

CANCELLED

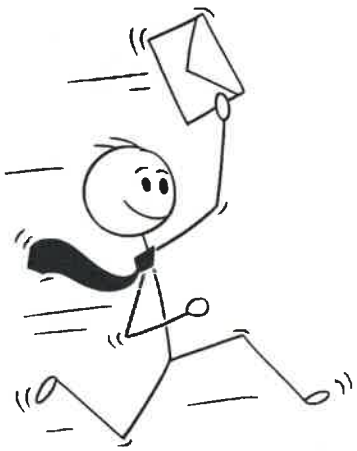
Jigsaw Jam – unfortunately this event has been cancelled. It will be re-arranged after Christmas. Date to be confirmed.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

26 -30th October	Half Term
26th November	Reception Tours – New 2027 (9.30 – 10.30)
27th November	Occasional Day- school closed
9th December	Whole School Panto – am
10th December	PTA Christmas Disco (EYFS & KS1) 3.30 – 5pm PTA Christmas Disco (KS2) 5.30 – 7pm
11th December	KS1 Production – 9.15am for 9.30am start
11th December	EYFS Production – 10.45am for 11 am start
14th December	KS1 Production – 9.15am for 9.30am start
	EYFS Production – 10.45am for 11 am start
16th December	Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
17th December	Church Service – 10am
18th December	Term Ends at 1.30pm
4th January	Inset Day
5th January	School Term starts

Important Diary Dates – Please note these may be subject to change!



ATTENDANCE

Year Group	Attendance % for the Academic Year so Far
Pear Class (R)	93.17%
Oak Class (1)	95.61%
Elm Class (2)	96.92%
Beech Class (3)	97.81%
Maple Class (4)	96.32%
Silver Birch Class (5)	96.74%
Mulberry Class (6)	96.13%
School Attendance this year – 95.8% Arbor National Attendance – 95.3% Whole School Target – 96%	

Events

Sporting News

Some pupils from Years 1 & 2 represented our school and attended Multi-skills event at Birchwood. They showed great sportsmanship and had lots of fun taking part.























Children in Need - The Challenge -to wear as many colours as possible.























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SEND PARENT COFFEE MORNING

24th November 2026 10-11:30am

Mandeville School, Sawbridgeworth, CM21 0BL

You are invited to to a relaxed and supportive coffee morning designed to offer valuable information and networking opportunities.



- Connect with other parents and carers
- Share experiences and gain insights into various topics that matter to you
- Practical advice and emotional support
- Professionals in attendance

For more information about DSPL3, please scan the QR code

Please bring any questions or topics you would like to discuss - we look forward to seeing you there!

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Parents and Carers talk about eating disorders

Please joinus atatalk by 'First Steps ED' a

leading eating disorder charity: When Eating Becomes Difficult.

What to look out for in a young person who may be struggling, and how you can access support for yourselves and your young people.

Where: Online over Zoom.

When: Tuesday 1st December, 7pm to 9pm.

For more information or to book your place:
Call: 01992 58 69 69
Email: contact@carersinherts.org.uk
Go online: www.carersinherts.org.uk/events

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