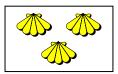
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# High Wych CE Primary School Success and Excellence within a Caring Christian Environment



# Welcome back

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Welcome back to all of our children and parents and a big welcome to our new families. I hope you managed to have a good break and stayed safe and well.

# Value of the month

September Value is being **selfless** (generosity of heart) and the stories used to support this are Rainbow Fish and the Big Party (Matthew 22, Luke 14).

SUCCESSFUL- Please see the website for a list of the values used.

### <u>Parking</u>

Please remember to be **considerate to other** members of the community when using the village car park or parking around the village. Please do not park outside the church on the road as this causes further congestion. Just to remind you that KS2 children will not arrive at the gates ready to exit before 3.20, we will aim for Yr 3 & 4 to arrive first, so can Yr 5 & 6 parents please arrive nearer to 3.25. If there is space in front of you in the car park please move forward to prevent traffic building back up on to the main road, or park in the village car park, or meet your child in the park. We will monitor this closely to find ways to ease the congestion. Please remember that the school grounds are Drop and Go only - please don't park and leave your cars.

Nursery and Reception Parents - Please do **NOT** block the school car park by getting out of your cars in the mornings or arriving before 8.45 as staff cannot park and the older children are still arriving. Please park a short distance away and walk if you can, or leave as soon as you have dropped your child to help with movement of traffic.

# Wheelie Wednesday

Year 2 will be able to bring in their scooters from Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September. If you are dropping off your child from the front please do NOT block the traffic trying to get the scooter out of the car, park in the village car park and walk to the back gate for 8.40.

On **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September** Year 1 will take part in Herts scooter training. We hope they enjoy the scooter track. They will then be able to bring in their scooters each Wednesday from 29<sup>th</sup> September when you have signed and returned the permission slip. More information soon.

# <u>ASC</u>

If you use the After School club - contact them direct during club hours on 07561 840349 as the main school office is closed at this point. Please call the number when you arrive and your child will be brought out to you. If you have booked spaces you no longer need please inform the office. Please get out of your car and wait by the gate so the adult can speak to you to pass on any messages. Thank you.

# Covid 19 symptoms

As we all get used to working under our "new normal" set up can you please help us by only keeping your children at home if they are showing any of the known symptoms, in which case you need to self-isolate and get a test:

- A new persistent cough
- High temperature, 37.8 or more
- Loss of taste or smell

Please only phone the office to let us know if your child has the above symptoms and you are having a test done. We would expect children with a cold to be in school, however if you are worried please book a test. Follow the good hygiene guidance, eg regular handwashing, catch it, bin it, kill it.

# Dinner money

Please pay weekly in advance, via Schoolcomms (£2.70 /day KS2 or Nursery £2.50).

# Secondary Applications - Year 6

The online process for Year 6 children is now open and closes on  $31^{st}$  October 2021. Please ensure you make an on time application for your child to the county in which you live. You will also need to complete each school's own application form, if they have one, by the  $31^{st}$  October.

### Whole school Panto

We are awaiting confirmation of whether this will happen this year and will let you know when we have more information. We have provisionally booked for Harlow Playhouse on  $9^{th}$  December. More information soon as we need to confirm seats.

# Dates for the term

September	Values: Selflessness (generosity)
Tbc in September	Individual and sibling school photos
11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> September	High Wych Village Scarecrow Festival
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Yr 2 Colchester zoo
16 <sup>th</sup> September	Leventhorpe open evening
20 <sup>th</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup> September	Yr 6 to Residential
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Herts and Essex and Boys High Open evening
25 <sup>th</sup> September	Hockerill open Day
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Yr 1 scooter training
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Yr 3 Celtic Harmony
October	Values: Understanding
12 <sup>th</sup> October	Yr 1 Alphabake in school
18 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parent Consultation
25 <sup>th</sup> Oct - 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Half Term
November	Values: Courage
December	Values: Compassion
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Occasional Day
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole school panto
w/b 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Tbc Nativity productions FS & KS1
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner day
21st December	End of term. 2pm finish
6 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Children return

We look forward to another good year.

Yours sincerely Mrs M. J. West Headteacher