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*Be strong and  
courageous.....for  
the Lord your God is  
with you*

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Headteacher's Newsletter No 9

Dear Parents/Carers



It is hard to believe that we are already in June - this year is certainly moving quickly. The children have continued to approach their learning with enthusiasm and determination, and it has been a busy and productive final term. I have been delighted to see their positive attitudes and the excellent progress they have made throughout the year, and I am confident they will finish the summer term strongly as we prepare for the transition ahead.

### **Mr Smith –Year Three Class Teacher and SENCO**

Mr Smith will be leaving us at the end of term to take up a new position as Inclusion Lead at a local school. Ryan has been a valued member of our team since September 2021, and during his time here he has taken on numerous roles and responsibilities with dedication and professionalism.

He became our SENCO in 2023 and has worked hard to support children and families in this role, working with staff to ensure that every child receives the care and provision they are entitled to. This year, Ryan has also supported the Senior Leadership Team and has been acting as Assistant Headteacher for one day a week, demonstrating his commitment to the wider development of our school.

We are very grateful for everything Ryan has contributed to High Wycombe C of E School over the past five years. His hard work and genuine care for our children and families have made a difference to our school community. He will be missed by staff, pupils and parents alike and we wish him every success in his new role.

### **Mr Bicknell – New Class Teacher**

We are delighted to welcome Mr Bicknell to our team in September. Mr Bicknell will be joining us as a class teacher, having successfully completed his teacher training this year. On behalf of the staff and governors, I would like to extend a warm welcome to him as he begins his teaching career with us.

### **Miss Johns – Returning from Maternity Leave**

Miss Johns will be returning to school on 30 June following her maternity leave. It will be wonderful to have her back with us, and she will be re-joining the Senior Leadership Team to support our preparations for the new academic year. We look forward to welcoming her back.



## Year 6 Residential to Osmington Bay

Last week, our Year 6 children enjoyed an unforgettable residential trip to Osmington Bay. Throughout the week, they took part in a wide range of exciting outdoor activities, challenged themselves to try new experiences and developed their independence whilst living away from home with their friends.



The trip provided many opportunities for the children to demonstrate resilience, teamwork and determination, and they embraced every challenge with enthusiasm and positivity. As they approach the end of their primary school journey, it was wonderful to see them creating lasting memories together.

A huge thank you to Miss Hawkins for leading the residential and ensuring that everything ran smoothly. Thank you also to Mrs Chandran and Mrs Hawkins for accompanying the children and helping to make the week such a success.

The children were a real credit to High Wycombe C of E School throughout the visit, and we are incredibly proud of them.

If you would like to see what they got up to, please visit our [website](#), where you will find photos and updates from the trip.

## Healthy Heroes Week and Sports Day



Healthy Heroes week will take place from Tuesday 23 June to Friday 26 June. Sports Day will be on Monday 29 June. More details will follow but we look forward to welcoming you to support the children at Wycombe Abbey for sports Day.

## Summer Term Assessments – Completed

Thank you for your support during this term's assessment period. All assessments have now been completed:

- **Year 6 – SATs (11th to 14th May)**  
Year 6 completed their national tests in reading, math's, and grammar, punctuation and spelling.
- **Years 1 to 5 – In-School Assessments**  
Pupils completed teacher-led assessments in reading, writing, and math's to help us track progress and plan for next year.
- **Reception – EYFS Profile**



Reception children have been assessed against the Early Learning Goals based on ongoing observations throughout the year.

- **Year 1 – Phonics Screening Check**

Year 1 pupils completed the national Phonics Screening Check during the week beginning 8 June.

- **Year 4 – Multiplication Tables Check**

Year 4 children completed the national Multiplication Tables Check during the two weeks following 1 June.

### **Thank You**

Thank you for ensuring your children were well-rested and attended regularly during the assessment period.

### **Results**

All assessment outcomes will be included in your child's annual report, which will be sent home in July.

### **Christian Value for Living and Behaviour for Learning**

#### **Christian Values for Living**

This half term, our focus is on **Thankfulness**.

#### **What is Thankfulness?**

Thankfulness means recognising the good things in our lives and showing appreciation for them. It's about noticing acts of kindness, the people who support us, and the blessings we sometimes take for granted – both big and small.



#### **Thankfulness in the Bible**

The Bible teaches us that thankfulness is at the heart of how we live and relate to God and others:

**'Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.'**

(1 Thessalonians 5:18)

**'Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts... And be thankful.'**

(Colossians 3:15)

This reminds us that gratitude helps us see the world through God's eyes and draws us closer to Him and each other.

#### **What Does Thankfulness Look Like?**

Thankfulness helps us to:

- Say 'thank you' and mean it
- Notice when others help or care for us
- Appreciate what we have rather than focus on what we don't
- Show kindness in return
- Find joy in everyday moments

#### **Living with Thankfulness**

This half term, we will encourage the children to reflect on how thankfulness helps us build a positive, caring community. By learning to notice and express gratitude - for people, experiences and God's blessings - we create a school where everyone feels valued and appreciated.



## Behaviours for Learning

Our Behaviour for Learning is: **Reflective** and our Vision Character is: **Reflective Rooster**



**Reflective Rooster** reminds us to think carefully about our learning and how we can improve. He encourages us to pause, look back on what we've done, and ask ourselves important questions like "What went well?" and "What could I do differently next time?" Reflective Rooster helps us to be thoughtful, self-aware and purposeful in our learning, knowing that taking time to reflect helps us understand ourselves better and make even greater progress.

### We Are Recruiting: Site Manager (Part-Time)

We are looking to appoint a proactive and reliable **Site Manager** to join our team.

This is a part-time, term-time only role (20 hours per week, 39 weeks per year), with flexibility in how the hours are worked. The role involves overseeing the day-to-day management of the school site, including maintenance, security and health and safety.

**Closing date:** Open until filled (early application encouraged).

High Wycombe Church of England School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. All appointments are subject to enhanced DBS and reference checks.

### Interested?

If you, or someone you know, may be interested, please visit our [website](#) for full details and an application form, or contact the school office.

### Alexandra Park – Flats next to school.

Residents have been complaining to school about members of our school community parking inconsiderately in the Alexandra Park flats – particularly using the residents own private bays and the visitor spaces. When approached, we have been advised that parents/carers have been rude and aggressive on more than one occasion. It is very disappointing that this gives an incorrect impression of the majority of our school community. As a result the residents have advised me that they are installing ANPR and the installation company have advised them to inform us.

### Inset Dates – 2026 - 2027

Each year, school has 5 days for staff training and during these days, children are not in school. I thought it would be helpful to confirm the dates for your diaries for the next academic year.

Day	Date
Tuesday	1st September
Wednesday	2nd September
Monday	4th January
Monday	12th April
Monday	7th June



## A few date reminders

- Wed 17<sup>th</sup> June
- Wed 17<sup>th</sup> June
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June
- Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June
- Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June
- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June
- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July
  
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

Year 4 Trip to Black Park  
Cake Sale Year R, 3 and 5  
Family Concert 6.30 pm  
Non – Uniform Day – Tombola Donation  
Year 4 Sleepover  
Sports Week Carousel 9.30am to 11.30am  
Friends Summer Fayre  
Sports/Races Day KS2 am KS1 pm  
Reception Trip to Bekonscot  
Mrs Hawkins -The Big Thank You Service at All Saints 6.30pm  
Mrs Hawkins - Street Party at School 3.45 to 5.15pm  
Summer Choir Performance at School 2.30pm  
Year 4 Trip to Wise Mosque  
Year 5 to Willen Lake  
Friends School Disco  
Year 6 Leavers Performance 1.30pm and 6pm.  
Year 6 Leavers Assembly to Parents/Carers 2pm  
Year 6 Leavers Treat  
End of Term 1.30pm finish.

Yours sincerely



Celine Hawkins  
Headteacher

