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# High Firs Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

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## Message from Mr Turtle

We have continued to award our School Values certificates this week with a focus on "Respect". It was lovely to be able to present these to some of the children across the school who demonstrate this value in so many different ways - be it respect for other children or adults in the form of good manners, their willingness to listen to the opinions of others, showing a good sporting attitude, or their care for the local environment or objects. Well done!

## In our classes this week

Reception - showed excellent skills when composing their own music

Year 1 - decided what type of climate they would like to live in

Year 2 - are looking at different fractions

Year 3 - enjoying their daily problem solving activities

Year 4 - designed their own imaginary lands

Year 5 - are working on their mountain powerpoint presentations

Year 6 - looked at how species on the Galapagos Islands adapt to their habitat

**DID YOU KNOW?**

A fact from one of our classes this week

From Year 4

Last year, each person in the UK ate an average of 76 bananas!

## World of Work Week

As part of our commitment to supporting the children's understanding of economic well-being and the wider world, we are holding our "World of Work" week w/b24th April. We hope to welcome a number of visitors into school to support this and would be very pleased to hear from any of our parents or friends who may be willing to share with the children information about their job or profession. Please do let us know using the form later on in the Newsletter if you think you can help!



## High Firs Red Nose Day

High Firs will be celebrating Red Nose Day on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March. As you know, this is for a great cause and the money raised for Red Nose Day is spent by Comic Relief to transform the lives of millions of people, both at home in the UK and across Africa.

On **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March** everyone can **wear something red to school** in return for a **£1 donation** not to wear school uniform! We also plan to have a **cake sale** after school on Friday so please send in your donations of cakes on Friday morning for us to sell.

**RED NOSE DAY**



**This week's Talk Topic is:**  
**My favourite book is...**



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# Book Week

## World Book Day Celebrations

As you may know, 2<sup>nd</sup> March was World Book Day. In celebration of this (and not being content with just a day to celebrate!) there are some exciting events and opportunities for our children during our upcoming **BOOK WEEK** starting **13<sup>th</sup> March**:



**FHF Book Swap** will be held during the school day on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup>**

**March** - bring an old book to donate and for a 50p donation you can take a 'new' one home. Parents and siblings are also invited to purchase books after school.

The **Book Fair** will be held in school every day from **3.15pm to 3.45pm** from **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**. Your World Book Day voucher will be valid at this event.



## World Book Dress Up Day Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Come to school dressed as your favourite character!



**Dress as a Book Character Day** will be held on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March** - children can come to school dressed as a favourite Book Character! There is no cost to take part.

**World Book Day Vouchers** have already been sent home. This voucher is worth £1 off the purchase of any new children's book at participating stores and will also be valid at our Book Fair if you want to save it. The children who took part every day in January in **Resolution Read at Home** have also been given a £1.00 voucher to spend.

## Friends of High Firs Primary School Association

Supporting Our Children's Education  
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# tickets4 SCHOOLS

<http://tickets4schools.com/high-firs-primary-school>

Book your cut-price theatre tickets and donate to FHF!



Hay Fever

Original Price: £57.50  
Offer Price: £32.50



Charlie & the Chocolate Factory

Original Price: £67.50  
Offer Price: £30.00



The Railway Children

Original Price: £49.50  
Offer Price: £24.50



In The Heights

Original Price: £51.50  
Offer Price: £24.50



Showboat

Original Price: £62.50  
Offer Price: £27.50

Important Information

### Important Health Information - PLEASE REMEMBER!

Please remember to **let the school know immediately** if you suspect your child has any of the following (even if it has not been confirmed): **measles, chicken pox or shingles**. It is also important to let us know if your child has been exposed to these illnesses (eg through a friend at a club or a family member) but has not shown the symptoms themselves. Please also let us know if your child has also been in contact with any other infectious diseases.



\*\* Please note we are a **PEANUT-FREE** school; please do not send in peanut-based products. \*\*

### INSET DAYS 2016-2017

No children in school

1 - Mon 5 September

2 - Tues 3 January

3 - Weds 4 January

4 - Fri 26 May

5 - Mon 3 July

### Coming up after half-term:

Sat 11 March	FHF Quiz Night 7.30pm
Mon 13 March	FHF Book Swap pm and Book Sale after school Deadline for return of Christmas Stamp competition entries
Tues 14 March	10.15am Reception Class Assembly 3.20pm Book Fair in the hall Parents Consultations by appointment
Weds 15 March	Dress Up as a Book Character Day 3.20pm Book Fair in the hall Parents Consultations by appointment
Thurs 16 March	3.20pm Book Fair in the hall Parents Consultations by appointment
Fri 17 March	3.20pm Book Fair in the hall



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# TERM DATES 2016 - 2017

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These dates do not include the five additional INSET dates set by the school - these will be notified separately.

Don't forget that our school website has lots of further up-to-date information, including letters and dates. There are also pages for each class and lots of photographs to look at.

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## WORLD OF WORK WEEK

Please return by Fri 24<sup>th</sup> March

My name is .....

I can support World of Work Week by talking about



My availability to come in to school w/b 24<sup>th</sup> April is:

Child's name ..... Child's Class .....

Thank you for your support



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