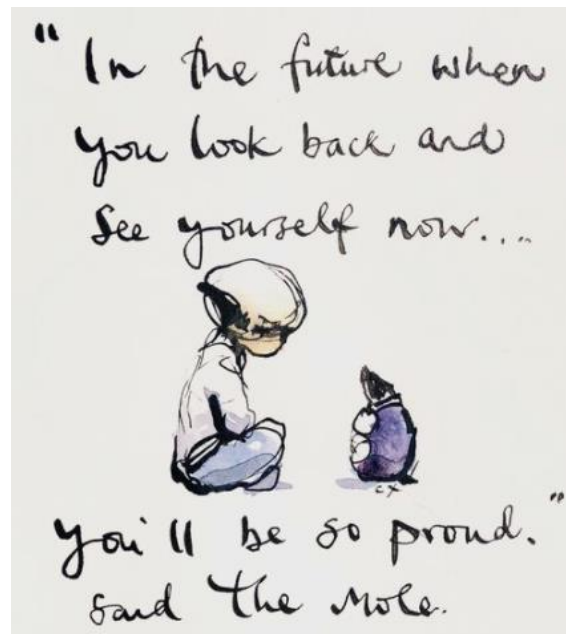




Our High Meadow Community 'Thought for the Week'



Charlie Mackesy

High Meadow Pre-Loved uniforms

A HUGE thank you to Mrs Jevon (a nursery parent) who has very kindly set up a High Meadow Facebook page for parents to swap/donate/sell pre-loved uniform. What a wonderful way to help keep our planet greener, save money as well as modelling to our children that 'pre-loved' is a sustainable and creative way forward. Thank you Mrs Jevon. Click here to join <https://www.facebook.com/groups/hmcsuniform>

About this group

Welcome to High Meadow Pre-Loved Uniforms. This is a group for exchanging/ selling good quality High Meadow school uniform items only. We hope that this will help us all to reduce waste and help families save money.

You can advertise uniform you no longer need or ask for "wanted" items. Uniform can be sold or listed as free. Try to include as much information as possible in your listing including sizes, colours, any marks/issues and price if applicable. Photos are also really helpful. Include any collection/ drop off information but please be mindful of sharing personal information in your post (save it for direct messages). Please update your posts when items have been claimed or wanted items found.

This group is moderated by parents. Any queries regarding school should be directed to High Meadow Community School via phone or email. More information on school uniform can be found here <https://www.highmeadowcommunityschool.co.uk/docs/admissions/>





Hot Chocolate Friday Winners!

A huge well done to the children below who have been nominated for this weeks Hot Chocolate Friday Awards. They have been chosen by their teachers for ALWAYS making the right and safe choice, not just for one day or one week but for EVERY day of the week, every day of the term, well done! They spent some time with me, sharing a hot chocolate in our special mugs, enjoying a packet of biscuits, being awarded a specially designed postcard and having a chat. Well done to Aubrey, Fabian, Willow, Iby and Zofia, we are all really proud of you 😊





IMPORTANT A letter from the Local Authority about Holidays

We have attached a letter from the local authority to this weeks newsletter. It outlines the responsibilities that lie with all staff and families in helping keep everyone safe if they chose to holiday aboard this half term.

Keeping Everyone Safe in School – A Gentle Reminder

COVID 19 symptoms in your child

Any child displaying symptoms of COVID19 must be sent home to be tested. As we are not medical professionals, it is difficult for us to determine whether a child has a cold or COVID symptoms so, to keep the whole school community safe we WILL call you and ask you to take your child to be tested if they show ANY ONE of the symptoms outlined on the NHS website.

These are ...

a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)

a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)

a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms. If your child is showing these symptoms at home, please do not send them into school.

If a child tests positive for COVID 19 then the **WHOLE** class bubble will need to self-isolate for 10 days. Please ensure you have emergency plans in place if this does happen. Remote teaching, will then take place and your child will be expected to engage in online learning for the whole period of isolation, unless they become too unwell to do so.

You can find out more here...

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms>

Online Safety Attachments

As we approach the half term break, we thought it would be an opportune moment to share more attachments about helping keep your child safe online. We have attached them to this weeks newsletter.





A HUGE thank you and farewell

As we end another half term it is time to say farewell to two long standing members of staff.

Mrs Crees has been at High Meadow for over 30 years, initially as a volunteer and then as a midday supervisor and cleaner. She has always been such a positive, happy and hardworking member of our school family and we are going to miss her dearly. She has now decided to take a well-earned rest and begin to enjoy her retirement with her husband and family. Thank you for everything you have done at High Meadow Mrs Crees, we are missing you already.



Many of you will know Gaynor Dance as the leader of Larks and Owls and as a TA in our school nursery. Sadly, almost 18 months ago now, Gaynor was diagnosed with cancer. She continues to fight this disease with determination and grit and has bravely decided that she is going to commit her time to her family and friends. With this in mind she has therefore resigned her post at High Meadow. Gaynor has worked at High Meadow for many years and we are missing her passion and friendship as well as her unwavering commitment to her work. We see her most days at the school gate as she drops her grandchildren off at school but we send her all our love and best wishes and a very speedy recovery.





Events and Activities

May 2021

HALF TERM HOLIDAY – Monday 31st May 2021 – Monday 7th June 2021 Inclusive

BACK TO SCHOOL – Tuesday 8th June 2021

June/July 2021

Date	Time	Activity
Wednesday 9 th June	4.30pm	NEW parents meeting for children starting nursery in September 2021- via ZOOM
Monday 14 th June – Monday 12 th July	3.10pm – 4.00pm	Year 3 Confident Kids Session start (5 sessions in total) for the final 15 children on the register
Friday 25 th June	1.00 – 3.00pm	The official opening of The Burrow (new build for KS2) and our Summer Sizzler – everyone invited! More details will follow nearer the time

Tuesday 20 th July	All day	Whole School Sports Fun Day (weather permitting!) PE kits to be worn all day
Wednesday 21 st July	9.00am – 12.00pm	Movies and Munchies and 'Own toy' day

LAST DAY OF THE TERM – Wednesday 21st July 2021

As always, we will be finishing at 12.45pm on the last day as Coleshill Primary are closing at 1.00pm. This is to allow you to collect your child from here first and then from Coleshill Primary afterwards.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS – Thursday 22nd July – Monday 6th September
(Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd September teacher training days)

BACK TO SCHOOL – Monday 6th September 2021

NB - Dates and timings may be subject to change. Please read weekly newsletters carefully for the most up-to-date information. Detailed information for class trips will be sent separately.

We hope you have a restful half term break and we look forward to welcoming children back into school on Tuesday 8th June,

Best wishes

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Mr Jonathan Smith – Chair of Governors governors2569@welearn365.com



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