



MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents/carers,

It has been a mixed week - the heat has proved a real challenge for staff and children to manage but we are proud of how well the children (and staff) have coped. As a school community we are devastated to hear the local news of the death of the Great Denham family, whilst not linked directly with our school, our thoughts are with their family and friends at this really difficult time. If any members of our community do need any support please do get in touch with Emma our family support worker.

It has also been a week of fabulous finishes - highlights have been the lovely performances by year 5 of their Viking Saga's, the court room dramas of Year 6, the film premier in year 1 and we even had a scarecrow wedding in nursery! Today year 3 welcome their parents to their exhibition.

On Wednesday some of our oldest children attended our first ever Sports Awards evening- a huge well done to all the teams and children who were presented with awards and a big thank you must go to Mrs Hardy and Mr Thompson for organising the event.

We have also had many of our year 4 children on their first residential trip camping at Paxton Pits - they have had a wonderful time and thrown themselves fully into all the activities - again a massive thank you to all the staff who have given up time away from their families to support the children on this trip.

A date for the diary - if any of you are thinking about going to the River Festival in a weeks time please factor in perhaps coming to watch our choir perform on the main stage at 2pm on the Sunday 19th!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Burgess
Headteacher



LETTERS HOME

Sept Parent Info Sessions - Current R, Y2, Y4

Y3 iPad Scheme Update - Y2

Sports Awards Video - Selected

Equipment List - Y1-5 (for Y2-6)

Uniform Reminder - All

UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Friday 10th July - Tuck Shop After School

Mon 13th July - Make the rules day

Tues 14th Jul - Nurture Group Fab Finish - 2:30pm

Tues 14th Jul - Y2 Project Books - 3:15pm

Weds 15th Jul - Y2 Project Books - 3:15pm

Weds 15th Jul - Y3 Sing On - Corn Exchange

Thurs 16th Jul - Y6 leavers' Assembly (9am) & Party (5pm)

Friday 17th July - **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL** - **1:30pm Finish**

Sunday 19th Jul - Choir performance at River Festival - 2pm

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SUPER SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AT THE HIGGINS BEDFORD



LEGO® Build & Talk

Tuesday 21 July, 11am-4pm,
Free, Drop in, Suitable for ages 6-9

This free drop-in event features four mini activities for children and their carers to collaborate and create using LEGO bricks. LEGO® Build & Talk events help families spark playful conversations around gaming and wellbeing. No booking required but, if the room is busy please wait a short time until there is space.



Medieval Castle Craft

with Atiya Vohra
Wednesday 22 July,
Free Drop-In Session from 12-3pm,
suitable for 5-12 years

As part of the annual Council for British Archaeology Festival, we are hosting a free crafting session inspired by the medieval kiln display and our proximity to the former Bedford Castle. Have a go at creating a heraldic shield design, make your own small clay pot, brass rubbing or calligraphy to produce your own illuminated letter in a medieval style.



Tiny Gardens

with The Goodlife Garden
Thursday 23 July, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45pm and 2.15-3.15pm

Create a tiny garden to take home, perfect for fairies and elves to live in.

Archaeology Detectives Part 2

with Helen Ohlsson
Tuesday 28 July, £3.90 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45pm and 2.15-3.15pm

After the success of our first Archaeology Detectives, we have added more hands-on activities whilst retaining the pot reconstruction and the excavation pit.



Felt Portraits

with Anne-Marie Abbate
Wednesday 29 July, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45pm and 2.15-3.15pm

Have great fun watching wool turn into felt. Create a self-portrait using the wet felting process.



Pressing & Printing

with Katie Allen
Thursday 30 July, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Have a go at plasticine printing. Be guided by artist Katie Allen to press plasticine into a range of textured surfaces like shells, leaves, Lego bricks and then make a series of prints.



Meet the Egyptians

with Helen Ohlsson
Tuesday 4 August, £3.90 per child,
suitable for ages 7-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Find out facts about the Egyptians, their Gods and the pyramids. Make a sarcophagus for a mummy plus lots of other Egyptian inspired craft.

Drop-In Craft Session with Atiya Vohra,

Higgins staff and volunteers
Tuesday 4 August, Free, 2-4pm,
all ages welcome

Make your own Victorian toy or create some bug inspired craft!



Rocket launch

with Little Science Labs
Wednesday 5 August, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Inspired by the Artemis Rocket voyage? Why not create your own rocket with the help of Little Science Labs? You will design your own craft whilst receiving lots of advice about how to optimise your rocket's flight performance and then launch it and see how high it flies.



Covent Garden Circus Skills

Thursday 6 August, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Session leader, Tabatha is a former Covent Garden Street Performer with over 25 years experience in the performance and entertainment industry. She invites all the family to try their hand at a variety of circus skills and have lots of fun along the way!



Puggle Club

Friday 7 August, Free,
drop in, 10.30am-12 or
1-2.30pm at The Higgins

Wednesday 26 August 11.30am-1.30pm
at Bedford Central Library

Puggle Club is the perfect chance to get creative, have fun, and socialise offering free art & craft activities, stories and sensory play for children aged 2-5 years with their parents and carers. Pop in between 10.30am-12 or 1-2.30pm. Siblings are welcome to attend. No booking required but, if the room is busy please wait a short time, until there is space.



Teaching Talons

Tuesday 11 August, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.30am-12.30pm,
1-2 pm and 2.15-3.15pm

Enjoy meeting the awesome animal ambassadors of Teaching Talons.



Stone Age Session

with Helen Ohlsson
Tuesday 11 August, £3.90 per child,
suitable for ages 7-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45pm and 2.15-3.15pm

There was more to the stone age than just stone! Explore Prehistory through hands on activities relating to the archaeology of the time. Create your own cave art, try your hand at flint axe making or grinding wheat to make flour.



Shaving Foam Marble Cards

with Lisa Tilley
Wednesday 12 August, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Come and have a go at paper marbling and make your own marbled cards. This technique is even more fun in that we use shaving foam instead of oil and is suitable for all. Younger children will need support from their adult.



Clay Keepsake Holders

with Anne-Marie Abbate
Thursday 13 August,
£6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm,
12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm

Construct a three-dimensional clay niche to display all your favourite and precious keepsake items. Add imprints and patterns to make your niche truly unique.



Dino Planters

with The Goodlife Garden
Tuesday 18 August, £3.90 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 10-11am and
11.30-12.30pm

Using recycled materials, make your own Dino plant pal for your windowsill where you can watch your plant grow, plant included.



Fire Tiles with Little Science Labs

Wednesday 19 August, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm,
12.45-1.45pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Create your own beautiful tile using the magic of flammable inks. Children will learn about the fire triangle as well as how to light a fire safely in this unique and exciting fire workshop.

Storytelling in the Gallery with Belinda

Sunday 30 August, Free, 2.30pm,
suitable for ages up to 7

All workshops last an hour.
All children must be accompanied by an adult. Booking is essential unless stated otherwise. Adults do not need to book a place.

To book a place for children on all holiday activities, visit the website at www.thehigginsbedford.org.uk/Book_Online, call the Box Office on 01234 718044 (open Wednesday - Saturday, 10am-4pm) or scan this QR code. Please use the promotional code HIGGINS30 to avoid paying a transaction fee.

If a booked place is no longer required for any of our workshops, please let us know so that it can be made available to another family.

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