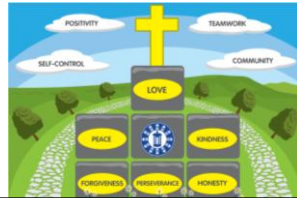


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Date: Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**Please note: School will close for the Easter holidays at 1:30pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March. We reopen to all pupils on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April.**

**Re: Weekly Newsletter**



## Consultation with Parents:

### Changes to the school day from September '26

The Governing Body of Higham St John's wishes to consult with parents on the following proposed changes to the school day from September 2026:

8:40am: Gates open

8:45am: Morning Registration

12noon: Lunch

12:50pm: Afternoon Registration

3:10pm: School day ends for Elm and Ash Classes (infants)

3:15pm: School day ends for Birch, Sycamore and Oak Classes (juniors)

Extended Services from September:

7:30am – 8:40am Breakfast Club (£6 per session – Monday to Friday)

3:10pm – 5pm After School Club (£8 per session – Monday to Wednesday)

**Please note:** Our charges have not increased since 2021.

**Our consultation will remain open until the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026.**

Any parents who would like to comment on the proposed changes should email

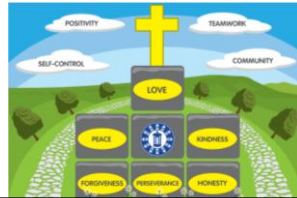
[bursar@higham.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@higham.lancs.sch.uk) including the subject line 'School Day Changes'.

## Easter EGGxtravaganza – egg decorating competition!

Thank you to everyone for your entries. The competition has now closed and the entries have been judged by our School Council representatives. The winners will be announced in tomorrow's celebration assembly.



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## **\*\*SOLD OUT\*\* PTA Fundraising Event: Easter Bingo – tonight from 5:45pm**

We are looking forward to welcoming you all to the Easter Bingo tonight.

**Please note that this event has now sold out.**

Timings: 5:45pm – 7:15pm on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

Raffle tickets and refreshments will be on sale so please bring some cash with you (change please if possible!).

## **Extra-curricular clubs and activities summer 1 half term:**

**Board Games and Nurture Club:** lunchtimes on a Monday, Thursday and Friday with Mrs Schillaci

**Thursday After School Sports Club:** delivered by Sports Cool (booking and charges apply)

**Friday After School Sports Club:** delivered by Sports Cool (booking and charges apply)

**Football club:** after school with Miss Briddon (dates and times to be confirmed)

**Netball club:** (to be confirmed)

## **Important Dates next half term:**

**School reopens on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Haruna Patel – Birch Class Hindu workshop

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Y6 heights and weights with the nursing team

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April - Reception places for September published

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April – Y6 Robinwood residential

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Group Photos (Reception and Y6)

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Y5/6 football tournament after school at Fishermore

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April – Birch Class trip to Brockholes Nature Reserve

2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> May – Higham May Fair

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Maypole dancing at the May Fair (Bank Holiday Monday)

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May – Key Stage 2 SATs Week (Year 6)

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May – Cultural Diversity Week

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – school closes at 3:30pm for the half-term holiday

## **Reporting your child's absence:**

If your child is going to be absent from school, please telephone the school office number and leave a voicemail message before the school day begins stating clearly your child's name, their class and the reason for their absence. Thank you for your co-operation.

## **School Instagram Account:**

Please follow us on our new Instagram account, like and share!

We are: [highamstjohnsschool](https://www.instagram.com/highamstjohnsschool)



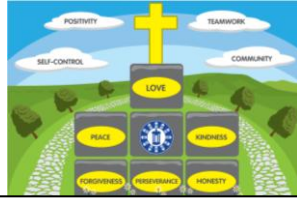
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## **Website and School Jotter 3 App**

To accompany our website, there is also a new app School Jotter 3 – which parents are strongly advised to download. Just search for 'Jotter 3' and look for the image opposite.



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## Reminder for payments:

Please can parents and carers log onto School Comms or use the School Gateway app to pay the balance before Easter for the following trips. Many thanks.

£30 – Birch Class trip to Brockholes Nature Reserve

£32 – Year 4 and 5 trip to Outdoor Elements

## School dinners:

Look out for our new menu which starts after Easter.

We will be publishing this on our website shortly.

## School dinners – price increase from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026

Lancashire Catering Services are contracted to provide our school dinners service. They have informed us that from the 1<sup>st</sup> April, the price will be increasing from £2.90 to £3 per meal.

Please book school dinners in advance using the School Gateway app. Thank you.

May we wish you all an early 'Happy Easter' and we hope you have a lovely holiday. 😊

Best wishes

Mrs H Shaw, Headteacher