



OCTOBER

Tuesday 13th	Year 5/6 Art Gallery. Parents are invited to join us.
Wednesday 14th	Year 5 swimming.
Thursday 15th	Friends of Highweek Halloween Disco. KS1 15:40 -17.00pm KS2 17.15-19.00pm Please book via MCAS
Monday 19th	Parents Evening 3:40pm - 6pm
Tuesday 20th	Year 3 & 4 Harvest Festival at Highweek Church. Parents Evening 3:40pm - 6pm
Wednesday 21st	Year 5 swimming. Pumpkin carving entries to be in for judging. Winner announced on Friday!!
Friday 23rd	School closes for the Half Term break.

NOVEMBER

Monday 2nd	School re-opens.
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UPCOMING TRIPS

Year 3 & 4

Kents Cavern - Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th November 2026. Cost £8.30

Year 3 & 4

Snow White at the Princess Theatre - Tuesday 15th December 2026.

Cost £18.00

Year 5

Lantern Parade Workshop - Thursday 3rd December 2026.

Lantern Parade - Evening of Wednesday 9th December 2026.

Cost £5.00

Year 6

Mamma Mia! - 21st January 2027



NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term

Friday 9th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We were delighted to show two new families around Highweek this week. They were so impressed with the school and all the opportunities we offer our children. As we walked around, there was so much going on. Some of our children were enjoying outdoor learning and making pizzas on the open fire, some were taking part in gymnastics with Kelsie Brown from Newton Abbot College. There was a class attending a making paper workshop and another creating music with the Boomwhackers. It was lovely to see so many different activities taking place and children fully engaged in their learning- a great example of the variety of experiences we provide at Highweek and our commitment to ensuring every child has the opportunity to shine.

Clubs

Next Friday, you will receive the clubs list for the next half term. New clubs leading up to Christmas include: cooking, outdoor learning (forest school), Christmas crafts, sewing and dance.

Staff Development

Congratulations to Mr Luke Waldron who have been awarded The National Professional Qualification for Leading Culture and Behaviour.

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EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

Literacy news

Last week, we celebrated Poetry Week. Every class immersed themselves in the world of poetry; learning, performing and enjoying a wide range of poems. It was fantastic to see the confidence, creativity and enthusiasm our pupils brought to our school Poetry Slam, where each class proudly performed the poem they had been practising throughout the week. Have a look at our school TikTok page to see a snippet of all the fantastic performances.

Building on our love of reading, we are excited to launch our school-wide Read-a-thon today! This whole-school event aims to encourage children to read as much as possible, independently or with an adult, while raising money to provide books for children in local hospitals. We hope every child will take part and help us share the joy of reading with young people who may be facing difficult times. More information will be sent home today. Happy reading, and thank you for your support.

Uniform

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain our school uniform. We have noticed that more children are coming to school wearing leggings, so we would like to gently remind families that leggings are not part of our uniform.

We appreciate that every child's circumstances are different, and we are happy for children who experience toileting difficulties to wear leggings or joggers where this helps them feel comfortable and confident.

From after half term, we would be grateful if parents of children in Years 3–6 could ensure that children wear the appropriate school uniform. We understand that buying uniform can be expensive, and we have a number of second-hand school trousers available. Please do get in touch if these would be helpful. Thank you, as always, for your understanding and support.

Thank you all for your continued support and commitment to the school. As always, please do get in touch if you have any concerns or suggestions- my door is always open.

Ms Claire Redwood

W HIGHWEEK
h Primary School

PTFA –
We Need Your Help!



We have lots of fantastic events planned, including **school discos**, **Christmas fayres**, **bingo nights**, **colour runs** and **many more exciting activities** for our children to enjoy.



Unfortunately, we are currently unable to go ahead with these events without more parents and carers volunteering to help.
We really need your support to make these events happen!



We'll have tea, coffee and a chance to share ideas, meet other parents and see how you might be able to get involved.



Our next PTFA is planned for
Tuesday 10th November
at 9am in the main school



If you have any ideas, suggestions or comments but are unable to attend, please feel free to contact us by email:
admin@highweekprimary.co.uk

We would love to see some new faces and, most importantly, work together to make this a fantastic year for our children!

Thank you for your support.

Important Message to

Parents and Carers – School Office

Please be advised that, from next Monday, the school will be operating without our full administration team for several weeks.

During this period, we kindly ask that parents and carers communicate with the school via MCAS wherever possible. Please only telephone the school if your query is urgent or an emergency, as this will help us to manage our reduced administrative capacity effectively.

We would also appreciate your support with the following:

School dinners: Please ensure meals are ordered in advance where required.

Punctuality: Please ensure that pupils arrive at school on time each day.

This will help the school day run smoothly for everyone.

We greatly appreciate your patience, understanding and support during this period. Working together will help us to minimise disruption and ensure that we continue to provide the best possible experience for our pupils.

Thank you for your continued support.





HIGHWEEK Primary School



Parents Evening



SCAN ME



Monday 19th & Tuesday 20th October 2026

To book please go to:

<https://highweek.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

ACCELERATED READERS!



50,000 words

Niamh Stancombe, Isaac Mathias, Maia Roome, George Davis, Blue Broome, Logan Simmons, Piotr Ziubryniewicz & Amiee Bolton.

100,000 words

Noah Coleman-Desouza, Isabelle Lawson, Diego Larios-Balladares, Frayah Jowitt, Jaydyn Mbulayi, Ethan Evans, Nora Mounce-Jeffreys & Sam Palmer.

500,000 words

Clay Ellison.

Class	Weekending Friday 25th September	Weekending Friday 2nd October
Taw	91.1%	96.8%
Mini Mole	95.1%	87.8%
Mole	97.4%	93%
Mardle	92.1%	92.9%
Tavy	94.2%	91.9%
Dart	97.1%	96.2%
Plym	99%	97.3%
Exe	88.4%	94.7%
Torridge	95.8%	96.2%
Teign	93.7%	95.6%
Tamar	95.9%	93.6%



Well done to **Plym** class who both had **99%** attendance for the period of 21st - 25th September 2026.

Well done to **Plym** class who had **97.3%** attendance for the period of 28th September - 2nd October 2026.

Remember our whole school attendance target for the year we are working towards is **96.2%**.



Well done to our Friday Flyers. Our Friday Flyers promote our work around developing Growth Mindset and a can do attitude.

Theme	Learning from feedback		Find lessons and inspiration in the success of others	
Date	Friday 2nd October		Friday 9th October	
Mole	No Friday Flyer this week		Ellis Gregory	Elijah Bray-Watson
Dart	Ellis Frisby	Jack Wilkes	Reuben Blackmore	Georgie-Ray Stevens
Exe	Caleb Floyd	Betzy Boddington-Pearce	Jeorgia Turner	Alisa Filonenko
Mardle	Harrison Woodbine	Khaleesi Pengilly-Browse	Ruben Green	Maisie Gregory
Plym	Andrew Buchanan	Lydia Bourne	Zoey Rutherford	Clay Ellison
Tamar	Layla Peart	Jett Birch	Rey Underwood	Freya Curran
Tavy	Harrison Head	Finley Bowles	Oliver Broome	Margot Allen
Teign	Ryana Douglas	Harry Tooley	Harley Newman	Paisley Hamlyn
Torridge	Noah Coleman-Desouza	Scarlet Russell	Macie Dawes	Gregory Cooper



Wraparound Care at Highweek

Fun • Food • Friends • Activities

Menu

Cooking will take place on a Wednesday for all pupils who attend the after school club. All you need to do is book them in!



Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday Cooking	Thursday	Friday
14 th Sept	Breadsticks, Tortillas & Dips	Mighty Crunch	Crackers & Dips	Toasties	Pizza pockets
21 st Sept	Bagels	Chicken or Ham Wraps & Salad	Trifle	Pizza	Cheese or Ham Thins & Salad
28 th Sept	Breadsticks, Tortillas & Dips	Mighty Crunch	Crackers & Dips	Toasties	Pizza pockets
5 th Oct	Bagels	Chicken or Ham Wraps & Salad	Trifle	Pizza	Cheese or Ham Thins & Salad
12 th Oct	Breadsticks, Tortillas & Dips	Mighty Crunch	Crackers & Dips	Toasties	Pizza pockets
19 th Oct	Bagels	Chicken or Ham Wraps & Salad	Trifle	Pizza	Cheese or Ham Thins & Salad



Daily Schedule

3:30pm - 3:45pm	Registration
3:45pm - 4pm	Snack
4pm - 5pm	Outdoor Activity
5pm - 5:45pm	Indoor Play
5:45pm - 6pm	Tidy Up



Healthy food
Happy children
Bright futures



BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL



PLEASE NOTE: A £10 FEE APPLIES TO LATE COLLECTIONS. ALL CANCELLATIONS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.



All bookings must be made via your MCAS app



Costs:

3:30pm - 4:30pm	£5.50
3:30pm - 5pm	£7.00
3:30 - 6pm	£8.50
Cooking: 3:30pm - 4:40pm	£6.00
After a free club until 6pm	£6.00



Contact:

Mrs Carole Rogers



07968 891535

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2026



ALL FOOD SERVED WITH A SIDE SALAD.



Coffee & Chat

with our Family Liaison Officer

♥ Miss Sophie Stevens ♥

We warmly invite all parents and carers to join us
for an informal Coffee & Chat session.

**JOIN US
EVERY 4
WEEKS**



Wednesday 4th November



2:30pm – 3:15pm



Main School Building

A relaxed opportunity to:



Ask questions



Seek support for yourself
or your child



Find out about local
services and resources



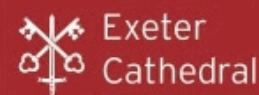
Meet other parents
and carers



**No Booking
Required!**

Just come along!

♥ Everyone is
very welcome! ♥



Become a Chorister at Exeter Cathedral

Music. Friendship. Confidence. Opportunity.

Being a chorister at Exeter Cathedral is a wonderful experience that can stay with a child for life. Our choristers receive an outstanding musical education, but the benefits go far beyond music. Singing together builds **confidence, concentration, teamwork, resilience and self-discipline**, while being part of a close-knit choir creates friendships and a strong sense of belonging.

From 2027, all Exeter Cathedral choristers will be educated at Exeter School
Choristers are **fully integrated into the life of Exeter School**, enjoying all that the school has to offer alongside their unique musical role at the Cathedral.

What does being a chorister offer?

- ◆ **25% off Exeter School fees** for all choristers
- ◆ Eligibility to apply for **additional means-tested financial support**, where needed
- ◆ **Free individual tuition** on voice or a musical instrument
- ◆ Exceptional opportunities to **sing, perform and travel**
- ◆ The chance to develop **musical ability, confidence and independence**
- ◆ Membership of a friendly, supportive and ambitious community of young people

Who can apply?

We currently have chorister places available for **boys and girls in Years 2-5**.

Come and find out more!

Chorister Open Day: Saturday 28 November

Come to Exeter Cathedral to meet the musicians, discover what being a chorister involves, hear the choir and find out how your child could become part of it.

Apply for the Chorister Open Day through the Exeter Cathedral website.

Questions?

For further information, please contact: **Timothy Noon**, Director of Music, Exeter Cathedral (timothy.noon@exeter-cathedral.org.uk) | **Isobel Mathias**, Chorister & Music Administrator, Exeter Cathedral (isobel.mathias@exeter-cathedral.org.uk)

