

NEWSLETTER

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

JUNE

Tuesday 30th

- PTFA meeting in the main school at 9am.

JULY

Wednesday 1st

- Year 5 visit to Newton Abbot Museum.
- Year 3 Swimming.

Monday 6th

- PTFA Sponsored Skip. Sponsor forms have been sent home. Additional copies are available from the school office.
- Year 6 Production - 5:30pm.

Tuesday 7th

- Year 6 Production - 9:30am.

Wednesday 8th

- Year 6 Residential.
- Year 3 Swimming.
- Coffee & Chat with Miss Stevens - 2:30pm.
- Pinkery Residential talk for Parents (current year 3)

Thursday 9th

- Year 1 & 2 trip to Lyme Regis.
- EYFS Sports Day at 1:30pm - 3pm.

Friday 10th

- Year 6 return from residential.
- End of year reports will be sent home.

Monday 13th

- Transition morning for all pupils, this is an opportunity for pupils to meet their new class teacher for September 2026.
- Meet the Teacher open evening at 3:30pm. Parents are welcome to meet their child's new class teacher for September 2026.

Tuesday 14th

- KS2 Summer Disco.

Friday 17th

- Year 6 Leavers Assembly
- School closes for the Summer break.

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 8th

- School re-opens for the Autumn Term.

UPCOMING TRIPS

Year 4

Residential Trip – 23rd, 24th & 25th September 2026
Payment due by: August 2026

Year 5

Mamma Mia! – 21st January 2027
Payment due by: 1st July 2026

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h HIGHWEEK
Primary School

Summer Term
Friday 26th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

THE CHORISTER OUTREACH PROGRAMME

A big well done to the year 3s who sang at Exeter Cathedral last Saturday - what a wonderful opportunity! A big thank you to the staff and parents who attended.



WRITING MODERATION

Last week, two external moderators visited the school to assess our Yr 6 writing.

They were so impressed with the quality of writing and that they asked to use examples of our children's work to help other schools, and for their own planning. Well done the year 5/6 team!



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HIGHWEEK
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THE NEXT FRIENDS OF HIGHWEEK
(PTFA) MEETING WILL BE HELD ON

TUESDAY 30TH JUNE AT 9AM IN
THE MAIN SCHOOL.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN OUR FRIENDLY PTFA
(FRIENDS OF HIGHWEEK), OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO
MIGHT BE INTERESTED? WE'D LOVE TO WELCOME
YOU, WHERE NEW FACES ARE
ALWAYS WARMLY RECEIVED.

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE



VISITORS

This week, we were visited by representatives from the family hub, the Family Intervention team, public health nursing and from Devon County Council. They were impressed with how calm the school was and how every pupil was being well supported and catered for.

HOT WEATHER

Thank you so much for your patience and understanding while we try and manage some very hot classrooms. Hopefully next week will be a bit cooler. However, you are still welcome to send your child in PE kit if this is preferable until the end of term.

CLASSES FOR NEXT YEAR

Today, you will receive a letter with finalised class arrangements and staffing for next year.

WANTED- A NEW PARENT GOVERNOR

We are looking for parents who may be interested in becoming a school governor. Governors play an important role in supporting and challenging the school to ensure all children receive the best possible education. The role involves attending meetings, helping to shape the school's strategic direction, monitoring performance, and acting as a link between the school and the wider community. No previous experience is needed—just an interest in education and a commitment to helping our school continue to thrive. If you would like to find out more, please come and see me.

Thank you all for your continued support and commitment to the school. As always, please come and speak to me regarding any concerns or if you would like give us some feedback on how to make the school even better!

Ms Claire Redwood



Dinner Money Payments

As we approach the end of the academic year, we kindly ask that **all** school dinners are paid for in advance and that **no** outstanding debt is incurred over the coming weeks.

This will help ensure that Devon County Council can reconcile and balance all payments in preparation for the start of the new academic year in September. Thank you for your cooperation and support.



Changes to Lost Property

From now on, all lost property will be managed by the PTFA (Friends of Highweek).

Any items found with a pupil's name clearly marked on them will be returned to their peg. **However**, unnamed items that remain unclaimed will be added to our Pre-Loved Uniform Sales, which will begin in September 2026.

To help ensure lost items are returned quickly, we encourage all families to label clothing and belongings with their child's name.

Thank you for your support.



WOW! What an AMAZING day we had at our Annual Sports Day!

The school was buzzing with excitement, energy, and a fantastic atmosphere from start to finish!

A huge THANK YOU 🙌 to Mr Bond for his brilliant hosting and organisation of the event together with the pupils from Newton Abbot College. Their hard work helped make the day such a success! ★

We would also like to thank all of our incredible staff and PTFA members 🙌. Whether they were selling refreshments 🍦 ☕, manning the BBQ 🍔 🍌, collating points 📝, or capturing special moments behind the camera 📷, their support was invaluable.

And finally, a massive thank you to all of our wonderful parents and carers. We know many of you spent the entire day cheering on the children, and your support means so much to us. We are incredibly proud to be part of such a supportive school community. Thank you all for helping to make Sports Day 2026 one to remember! 🎉 🏆 ✨



We would like to warmly invite parents and carers to a Coffee & Chat afternoon with our Family Liaison Officer Miss Sophie Stevens.

These sessions will take place every fortnight on a Wednesday, starting on Wednesday 29th April 2026, from 2:30-3:15pm in the main school.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday 15th July.

JOIN US EVERY FORTNIGHT



Starting on **Wednesday 29th April 2026**
2:30pm - 3:15pm

NO BOOKING REQUIRED!

Everyone is very welcome to attend. This is a relaxed opportunity to:

- Ask questions
- Seek support for yourself or your child
- Find out about local services and resources

Whether you have something specific in mind or just fancy a chat, we look forward to seeing you there.



Interactive music sessions for ages 0-5

Every Tuesday 9:10 - 10:00am
(Term time only)
EYFS Hall @ Highweek Primary School

No need to book, just come along!

ACCELERATED READERS!



50,000 words	Faith Heavens, Tommy Wiles & Eleanor Webster.
100,000 words	Madison Smith, Eleanor Webster & Melissa Cooper.
250,000 words	Rose Green, Sive Williams, Freya Hubbard & Melissa Cooper.
500,000 words	Melissa Cooper, Eleanor Hardy, George Davis & Isabelle Lawson.
750,000 words	Arina Kot & Isabelle Lawson.
1 million words	Arina Kot & Amelia Sims.
2 million words	Clay Ellison.

Devon School Term Dates: 2026-27 Academic Year

	Sep-2026				
Monday		07	14	21	28
Tuesday	01	08	15	22	29
Wednesday	02	09	16	23	30
Thursday	03	10	17	24	
Friday	04	11	18	25	
Saturday	05	12	19	26	
Sunday	06	13	20	27	

	Oct-2026			
	05	12	19	26
	06	13	20	27
	07	14	21	28
01	08	15	22	29
02	09	16	23	30
3	10	17	24	31
4	11	18	25	1

	Nov-2026				
	02	09	16	23	30
	03	10	17	24	
	04	11	18	25	
	05	12	19	26	
	06	13	20	27	
	07	14	21	28	
	08	15	22	29	

	Dec-2026				
Monday		07	14	21	28
Tuesday	01	08	15	22	29
Wednesday	02	09	16	23	30
Thursday	03	10	17	24	31
Friday	04	11	18	25	
Saturday	05	12	19	26	
Sunday	06	13	20	27	

	Jan-2027			
	04	11	18	25
	05	12	19	26
	06	13	20	27
	07	14	21	28
01	08	15	22	29
02	9	16	23	30
03	10	17	24	31

	Feb-2027			
	01	08	15	22
	02	09	16	23
	03	10	17	24
	04	11	18	25
	05	12	19	26
	06	13	20	27
	07	14	21	28

	Mar-2027				
Monday	01	08	15	22	29
Tuesday	02	09	16	23	30
Wednesday	03	10	17	24	31
Thursday	04	11	18	25	
Friday	05	12	19	26	
Saturday	06	13	20	27	
Sunday	07	14	21	28	

	Apr-2027			
	05	12	19	26
	06	13	20	27
	07	14	21	28
01	08	15	22	29
02	09	16	23	30
3	10	17	24	1
4	11	18	25	2

	May-2027				
	03	10	17	24	31
	04	11	18	25	
	05	12	19	26	
	06	13	20	27	
	07	14	21	28	
	08	15	22	29	
	09	16	23	30	

	Jun-2027				
Monday		07	14	21	28
Tuesday	01	08	15	22	29
Wednesday	02	09	16	23	30
Thursday	03	10	17	24	
Friday	04	11	18	25	
Saturday	05	12	19	26	
Sunday	06	13	20	27	

	Jul-2027			
	05	12	19	26
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	07	14	21	28
01	08	15	22	29
02	09	16	23	30
3	10	17	24	31
4	11	18	25	1

	Aug-2027				
	02	09	16	23	30
	03	10	17	24	31
	04	11	18	25	
	05	12	19	26	
	06	13	20	27	
	07	14	21	28	
	08	15	22	29	



School Holidays	
Bank Holidays	
25 Dec 2026 (Christmas)	
28 Dec 2026 (Boxing Day)	
1 Jan 2027 (New Years Day)	
26 Mar 2027 (Good Friday)	
29 Mar 2027 (Easter Monday)	
3 May 2027 (May Day)	
31 May 2027 (Spring Bank Holiday)	
30 Aug 2027 (Summer Bank Holiday)	

Term Lengths		
Sept to Oct half term	37	72
October to Christmas	35	
Jan to Feb half term	30	54
Feb to Easter	24	
Easter to June half term	34	71
June to end of term	37	
Total	197	
Training Days	-5	
Occasional Days	-2	
Total	190	





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

Theme	Effort as the path to mastery		Find lessons and inspiration in the success of others	
Date	Friday 19th June		Friday 3rd July	
Mole	Marcia Darke		Braidin Birch	
Bovey	Ben Palmer	Peter Searle	Leo Kucuk	Oscar Baker
Dart	Riley Atkinson		Clay Ellison	Hope Mitchell
Exe	Cody Richards-Bearne	Harley Newman	Ryana Douglas	Joseph Vickery-Turner
Mardle	Leo Fare	Christian Mbulayi	Ellie-Page Harrison	Ivy Winsor
Plym	Riley Daniels	Paisley Hamlyn	Sam Heywood	Eleanor Webster
Tamar	Talia Rhodes	Mia Smith	Tommy Underwood	Kiya Bowden
Tavy	Ziron Waris	Noah Northcott	Alyssia Broad	Phoebe Mansfield
Teign	Holly Exon	Oliver Riley	Melissa Cooper	Theo Fairweather
Torrige	Ella Bell	Nathan Jewell	Amaya Daniels	Joel Atkinson

Well done to **Dart** class who had **99.3%** attendance for the period of 8th - 12th June 2026

Well done to **Tavy** class who had **98.1%** attendance for the period of 15th - 19th June 2026

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

Class	W/C 8th June	W/C 15th June
Taw	93%	95%
Mini Mole	94.2%	89.3%
Mole	96.6%	93.8%
Mardle	97.3%	97.3%
Bovey	96.7%	86.1%
Tavy	96.7%	98.1%
Dart	99.3%	96%
Plym	96.3%	96.8%
Exe	96.3%	93.7%
Torrige	95.7%	97.5%
Teign	96.4%	97.6%
Tamar	95.6%	96.4%

Did You Know?

- 95% attendance means your child misses about 10 school days each year.
- 90% attendance means your child misses about 19 school days each year — almost four weeks of learning.

Working together, we can help every child achieve their best through excellent attendance. ★



KS2 SUMMER

Tickets cost
£3 per child

DISCO



TUESDAY 14TH JULY

5:30pm - 7pm

Purchase your tickets on MCAS

Bring money to purchase food
and drinks.

Wear something fab!

PLANNER

YEAR 6 EVENTS

MONTH: JULY 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
6th July Year 6 performance at 5:30pm in the school hall.	7th July Year 6 performance at 9:30am in the school hall.	8th - 10th July Year 6 residential	8th - 10th July Year 6 residential	8th - 10th July Year 6 residential
Parents / Carers invited A maximum of 2 adults per child per performance. We cannot have more due capacity limits in the hall. Tickets £1 per person entrance fee on the door.		Arrive at school normal time and will return normal time on the Friday. See kit list for items needed. All children will need a packed lunch for the first day and a drinks bottle for refilling.		
13th July	14th July KS2 Leavers Disco 5:30 - 7pm	15th July	16th July	17th July Year 6 leavers assembly at 9:30am
	Purchase your tickets on MCAS from Monday 8th June 2026 Bring money to purchase food and drinks. Wear something fab!			Bring tissues as it can be quite emotional. Pupil to wear their uniforms/leavers hoodies.

As we approach the end of the school year, we're beginning to plan the much-anticipated Summer Disco. Each year, we like to make this event extra special for our Year 6 pupils, as it will be their final disco at Highweek. In the past, treats have included mocktails, a VIP area, and a Year 6-only section complete with a photo booth.



Wraparound Care at Highweek

All bookings must be made via your MCAS app

Contact: Mrs Carole Rogers
07968 891535
carogers@highweekprimary.co.uk



BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

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

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

Cooking will take place on a Monday & Friday for both KS1 & KS2 pupils. All you need to do is book them in!

JUNE & JULY

Date	Monday Cooking club	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday Cooking club
1 st June	Cakes	Mighty Crunch	Bagels	Wraps	Cakes
8 th June	Pancakes	Pizza Pockets	Cheese & Crackers	Toasties	Pancakes
15 th June	Fruit Smoothies	Mighty Crunch	Bagels	Wraps	Fruit Smoothies
22 nd June	Spanish Tortilla	Pizza Pockets	Cheese & Crackers	Toasties	Spanish Tortilla
29 th June	Macaroni Cheese	Mighty Crunch	Bagels	Wraps	Macaroni Cheese
6 th July	Quiche	Pizza Pockets	Cheese & Crackers	Toasties	Quiche
13 th July	No cooking club Snacks Pizza Pockets	Mighty Crunch	Bagels	Wraps	No cooking club Snacks Pizza Pockets



CELEBRATING

30

YEARS

OF RUNNING!



BINGO!



JOIN US AT
**HIGHWEEK
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

SATURDAY 27TH JUNE



WE'RE GIVING
THE CHILDREN
A TREAT FOR
30 YEARS OF
RUNNING!

EYES DOWN
— AT —
7PM

LOTS OF
PRIZES
TO BE WON!

BINGO

4	17	35	54	61
8	22	★	59	67
11	24	44	60	72

BINGO

12	26	43	55	70
9	18	★	48	64
5	23	34	52	66

BINGO

7	16	34	51	63
2	29	★	47	66
11	21	38	58	69

BINGO

14	23	31	60	71
6	19	42	58	68
10	28	★	55	65



Ways to Wellbeing

Summer 26 Issue #5

Nature & Mental Health



<https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/tips-for-everyday-living/nature-and-mental-health/wellbeing-ideas-to-try-in-nature/>

Spending time outdoors & in nature is really good for our mental health!

It can:

- Improve your mood
- Reduce feelings of stress or anger
- Reduce feelings of sadness, anxiety or low mood
- Help you take time out and feel more relaxed
- Improve your physical health
- Improve your confidence and self-esteem
- Help you be more active
- Help you meet new people and reduce loneliness
- Connect you to your local community

What can you do?

Now that the summer is approaching and the days are growing lighter, there are lots of things you can do to get outdoors in nature!

- Play outside in the park with your friends
- Go to the beach, build sand castles and swim in the sea
- Visit a farm and feed the animals
- Have a scavenger hunt for pebbles, feathers or pine cones
- Go to the woods and build a den
- Plant flowers or veg in the garden
- Go for a litter-picking walk around your local area

Try to get outside and play for at least 30–60 minutes every day, and see how it improves your mood!



If you need support for your mental health, please talk to a trusted adult at school or home.

Call 111 and select option 2 for mental health. In an emergency, call 999.