

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

Autumn Term 2025 Friday 12th December

As this is our final newsletter of 2025.



The staff and governors send their warmest wishes for a
Merry Christmas and a bright, Happy New Year!

We look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday, 6th January 2026!



Dear Parents/Carers

This will be our final newsletter of 2025 and I'd like to thank you all for your support and commitment to Highweek and our wonderful children.

This week has been filled with more festive spirit: our singing group singing at Asda and Tesco, the year 1 and 2 nativity, the reception visit to Buckfast Abbey and The Rudolph Run. A big well done and thank you to all involved.

Christmas Fayre

We are pleased to report that we have so far raised an amazing **£1,500**, with more money still coming in, thank you all for being so generous. The PTFA will update us next term on the current funds raised and spending plans!

Today was our final Friday Flyer assembly of the year. We hope you have enjoyed joining us to celebrate your child/ren's fantastic learning.

Goodbye

Next week we say goodbye and good luck to **Mrs Charlie Coombes** who will be starting a position as a Read, Write Inc phonics trainer. Charlie has been a very much valued member of the Highweek teaching team for the past 7 years and will be missed by the whole school community. I am sure you will join me in wishing her all the best in her new role.



We are very pleased to announce that **Mrs Natalie Catt** will be taking on the role as the new class teacher in January.



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KS1 Nativity

Our KS1 pupils shone brightly in this year's *Hey Ewe* nativity performance. Every child brought wonderful energy, enthusiasm, and confidence to the stage, creating a truly joyful celebration. We are incredibly proud of their hard work, teamwork, and the fantastic show they shared with us all.

Thank you to all of the staff that made this possible, particularly to Mr Rogers for his support with music and lighting!





Accelerated Readers

100,000 words

Archie Hopkins.

500,000 words

Sam Palmer.

YOUNG VOICES



The EYFS building were also extra lucky this year. A HUGE thank you to Mrs Carole Rogers who very kindly donated their beautiful Christmas tree!

Doesn't it look FANTASTIC?!



Christmas Singing Stars

We are incredibly proud of our wonderful Singing Stars, who have been out in the community spreading festive cheer with their brilliant performances! Over the past few weeks, the children have worked hard in rehearsals - learning lyrics, perfecting their performance, and adding actions to a mix of Christmas classics and exciting new festive songs. In every performance, including our Christmas Fair and at the local Tesco and Asda supermarkets, the children shone brightly with beautiful, confident singing and lots of energy. A huge thank you to Mrs Slade and Ms Redwood for leading our Singing Club and to all the friends and families who came to support the children and cheer them on. What fantastic Singing Stars they all are!



Well done to our Friday Flyers.

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



Theme

Able to examine mistakes

Date

Weekending Friday 12th December

Bovey	Oscar Baker	Koa Dymond
Dart	Isaac Mathias	Harvey Martin
Exe	Freya Hubbard	Rowan Cole
Mardle	Ella Breslan	Finley Bowles
Plym	Eleanor Hardy	Alex Perring
Tamar	Chloe Duggan	Bailey Riley
Tavy	Jessica Gater	Teddy Williams
Teign	Arina Kot	Noah Coleman - Desouza
Torridge	Islay MacTaggart	Alexia Rhodes

Well done to **Torridge** class who had **95%** attendance for the period of **1st - 5th December**

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

It is essential for children to attend as much school as possible if they are to get the most from their education and achieve their full potential.



Class	W/C 1st December
Taw	92%
Mini Mole	90.2%
Mole	92.2%
Mardle	94.3%
Bovey	94.7%
Tavy	88.9%
Dart	92%
Plym	92.6%
Exe	87.8%
Torridge	95%
Teign	93.6%
Tamar	91.6%



Tips to Help You Come to School on Time Every Day



Get Ready the Night Before

- Pack your bag
- Lay out your clothes
- Put your homework in your folder This makes mornings easier and faster.



2. Go to Bed on Time

- Try to sleep early so you wake up feeling good.
- A rested brain learns better!



3. Think of Something You Enjoy at School

- A friend you like playing with
- A subject you enjoy
- A club or activity Having something to look forward to helps you feel excited about coming.