

NEWSLETTER



UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY

Monday 7th: Year 6 performance to parents.

9:30am & again at 5:30pm.

Wednesday 9th - Friday 11th: Year 6 residential to Forest & Beach.

Wednesday 9th: EYFS Sports day @ 1pm.

Friday 11th: Pupil reports being sent home.

Monday 14th: Transition morning. Pupils will visit their new classes.

Monday 14th: Open classrooms at 3:30pm. Come and have a look at pupils school work and chat with the class teachers.

Wednesday 16th: KS1 trip to Brixham.

Thursday 17th: Year 6 visiting Bakers park.

Thursday 17th: KS2/Year 6 leavers Summer Disco.

Friday 18th: Year 6 leavers assembly.

Friday 18th: School closes for the Summer break.

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 3rd: School re-opens for the new academic year.

Morning Phonic Interventions

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm in attending our morning phonics sessions. We'd like to let you know that today was the final morning phonics session of the academic year.

We've loved seeing your engagement and the progress the children have made. We hope you've found the sessions helpful and enjoyable!

Summer Term 2025

Friday 4th July

Dear parents/carers,

It's hard to believe, but we're down to the final two weeks of the school year! The classrooms are buzzing with excitement as we wrap up our learning and get ready to celebrate all the wonderful things we've done together. There's still lots of fun ahead — the year 5/6 show, Key Stage 2 disco, final assemblies, class projects, and time with friends — so we're making every day count.

We have just finished our final Friday flyer assembly for this term. It has been lovely to see so many parents and carers join us over the past academic year. Today was an extra long one as we had our school raffle and a visit from Mr Tony Horsey. He shared with us the winning designs from the recent architect design competition and presented prizes. Ciara in year 5 was the overall winner and she received a box of art materials. Well done Ciara! I am delighted to let you know that Mr Horsey has agreed to come and work with our pupils annually to support our art and design and technology curriculum.

Martial Arts workshops

Over the last two days, Richard from Mattfiddes Martial Arts has treated all our children to a martial arts masterclass. Please do ask your children about it as great fun was had by all! For further information, please see: www.mattfiddes.com



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Classes next year

I hope you have all received information regarding classes for next year and been informed of your child's teacher. If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to get in touch

Facebook and Instagram

Please do like and follow our Facebook page. We post regular updates and photos as well as last minute news. In September, we hope to make more use of Instagram to communicate with you. If you have any thoughts on how we can best use social media going forward, please do let us know.

Circus

A big thank you once again to Mrs Tracy Lowe for organising the circus tomorrow. Although this is a free event, all monies raised from the BBQ and other stalls, will go towards the school. We look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

Thank you for being such an important part of our school community. Let's enjoy these last two weeks together.

As always if you have any questions or concerns and would like to speak with me, please contact the school office.

Ms Claire Redwood

Important Reminder: Register for My Child At School (MCAS)

Thank you to all parents and carers who have already registered with our new communication app, My Child At School (MCAS). We appreciate your support in helping us stay connected.

However, we still have a significant number of families who have not yet registered. If you haven't signed up for MCAS, please get in touch with us as soon as possible so we can send you a registration link.

It's essential that all parents and carers are using the app, as it is our primary method of communication with you. MCAS allows you to:

- Receive important school updates and messages
- Sending us messages regarding attendance or other information that we may need
- Pay for trips and after-school clubs
- From September, register your child for exciting new after-school activities
- Viewing your child's current attendance
- Checking the details we hold for you are correct

Thank you for helping us improve how we stay connected.





THE CIRCUS IS TOMORROW!

HIGHWEEK SCHOOL
GATES OPEN - 11AM
SHOW STARTS - 12PM-2PM

Accelerated Readers



100,000
words

Elloisa Locke, Alexander Fairweather,
Natalia Buchanan, Brody Williams & Rey Underwood.

250,000
words

Joel Atkinson & Demi Christie.

1.5 million
words

Sam Palmer.

2 million
words

Kai Smith.

Year 3 and 4 had an amazing Time Odyssey day at the **Royal Albert Memorial Museum & Art Gallery (RAMM)** in Exeter! This immersive, curriculum-linked adventure – created by Art Explora in partnership with the British Museum and delivered via cutting-edge AR technology from Arcade XR – had the children choosing one of four historic characters and helping them return home through a portal powered by energy they gathered themselves.

The pupils selected from four bygone figures, each from a distinct era:

Revna – a Viking of the sea

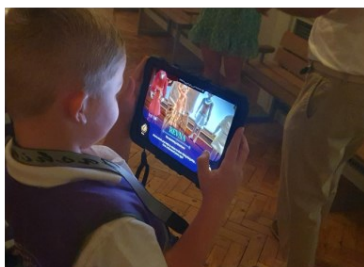
Felix – a would-be leader from Roman Britain

Cheng – a trainee scribe from Ancient China

Hori – an Egyptian tomb painter

Choosing one of these Time Champions, the children became part of an epic quest to help their character collect energy using “warp pads”. Working in teams, they tackled five exciting challenges throughout the museum, all designed around key themes such as Shaping our World, Cultural Connections, Communication, and The Environment, neatly woven into the KS2 History curriculum.

Each challenge involved working together to harness energy via augmented reality tablets. The children had to channel this energy to help their chosen historic character repair a time portal – essentially the key to getting their hero home. This gamified, interactive approach kept the children 100% engaged, stimulating teamwork, critical thinking, and communication—all while having fun exploring real museum collections physically and virtually.





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		Learning from feedback	
Date	Weekending Friday 27th June		Weekending Friday 4th July	
Bovey	Belle Bolton	Ben Palmer	Koa Dymond	Hope Mitchell
Dart	Oakley Maghaireh	Cooper Knowles	Ethan Evans	Alexia Rhodes
Exe	Khalid Shaibu	Ruby Brighton	Arty Ralph	Jorgie-Mae Sharrock
Mardle	Zeba Nazari	Ziron Waris	Nala-Rose Worton	Ravenna-Rae Spence
Plym	Paisley Hamlyn	Alex Perring	Sylvie Yonkova	Rhys Smith
Tamar	Alfred Smith	Natalia Buchanan	Ella Parker	Brody Williams
Tavy	Isaac Mathias	Jack Wilkes	Niamh Stancombe	Zion Oluwatayo
Teign	George Tooley	Melissa Cooper	Alex Avery	Reuben Brock
Torridge	Lewis Dale	Elise Keskin	Amaya Daniels	Joel Atkinson

Well done to **Mardle & Tavy** class who both had **100%** attendance for the period of **16th - 20th June 2025**

Well done to both **Exe** class who had **96%** attendance for the period of **23rd - 27th June 2025**

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 16.06.25	W/C 23.06.25
Taw	91%	92%
Mole	91%	92%
Mardle	100%	93%
Bovey	99%	92%
Tavy	100%	93%
Plym	96%	93%
Exe	97%	96%
Dart	86%	86%
Tamar	98%	92%
Torridge	92%	93%
Teign	96%	88%





Can You Help Us Bring History to Life?



Do you know someone who could lend a hand?

We have been working closely with Newton Abbot Museum to preserve a fascinating collection of artefacts from Highweek's past — including:

School inspection reports from the 1940s and 50s



Headteacher's log books dating back to the Victorian era



Photo scrapbooks



The infamous punishment book



Newton Abbot Museum have also been researching the school's history, and now we're ready to take the next step!

We're planning to create a **mini-Victorian schoolroom** in our entrance hall and host a **Victorian Day** to launch it to the public. We'll be inviting former pupils to come and explore the collection.

We've already invested in professionally rebinding and preserving these precious books so they can be used as primary sources in future history lessons. Now, we need help transforming the space!

Can you help with painting or carpentry?

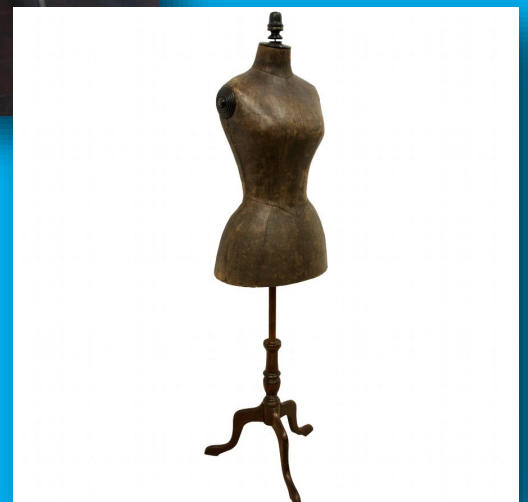


Do you have any Victorian-style items you could donate or lend?



Every little bit helps us bring this vision to life for the community and future generations.

If you are able to help please email: admin@highweekprimary.co.uk





Ways to Wellbeing

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BOX BREATHING

HOLD EXHALE



Mindfulness

Mindfulness is all about paying kind, honest attention to the present moment – what you can feel, hear or notice going on around you.

Mindfulness helps build self-esteem, manage stress and improves focus, academic performance and emotional resilience.

Some young people find practicing mindfulness really easy, but for others it can take a bit of time to find something that really works for you. Here are some ideas that you can practice with people at home for when things feel tricky...

- Colour counter – Look around and count how many objects you can find of your favourite colour.
- Finger breathing or box breathing – Use these prompts to slow down your breathing.
- 54321 – Notice 5 things you can see, 4 things you can touch, 3 things you can hear, 2 things you can smell & 1 thing you can taste.
- Clouds of gratitude – Look up at the clouds and think of 1x thing you are grateful for as you watch it float around.



Stop
Take a breath
Observe
Plan
Proceed

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.

Important Dates and INFORMATION

Year 6 End-of-Year Events Guide

Let's finish the year with a bang! Here's everything you need to know about the exciting events coming up for our amazing Year 6 students:

Monday 7th July – Year 6 Production

 Location: School Hall

 Times: 9:30 AM & 5:30 PM

 Entry: £1 per person (pay on the door)

 What to Wear: Performance costumes

 What to Bring: Just yourself and your best stage presence!

 Notes: Parents and carers are warmly invited! Due to hall capacity, a maximum of 2 adults per child per performance.

Wednesday 9th – Friday 11th July – Forest & Beach Residential

 Location: Kingsbridge

 Times: Arrive and return at normal school times

 What to Bring: Full kit list (sent separately)

 What to Wear: As per kit list

 Notes: Packed lunch needed for Day 1 Don't forget a refillable drinks bottle!

Thursday 17th July – KS2 Summer Disco

 Time: 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

 Entry: £2.00 (letter to follow)

 What to Bring: Money for snacks and drinks

 What to Wear: Something special to dance the night away!

Thursday 17th July – Picnic at Bakers Park

 Time: TBC

 What to Bring: Packed lunch, Water bottle, Sun cream

 What to Wear: Non-uniform, Comfy trainers for fun and games

 Notes: Free school meal children can order a school-packed lunch via the office

Friday 18th July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly

 Time: 9:30 AM

 What to Bring: Tissues – it's going to be emotional!

 What to Wear: School uniform or leavers hoodies

 Notes: A heartfelt farewell to our wonderful Year 6s – don't miss it!

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.

**JOIN US AT HIGHWEEK PRIMARY SCHOOL
FOR A FUN FILLED EVENING.
IN AID OF THE RICKY GRANT UNIT AT TORBAY HOSPITAL**

Bingo Night

**SATURDAY 16TH AUGUST.
EYES DOWN AT 7PM.
CORONATION ROAD
TQ12 1TX**

**WIN
AWESOME
PRIZES!**

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