

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

Autumn Term 2025 Friday 21st November

Dear Parents & Carers,

Our School Values

We continue to focus on our school values:

RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND RESILIENCE.

Questions to think about include:

What does respect look like when an adult or another child is talking?

How do we demonstrate RESPECT when we walk around the school?

How do I take responsibility for my actions?

What is resilience?

Please do talk to children about this.

Friday Assemblies

We continue to celebrate our wonderful learners in our Friday assemblies. A fantastic colourful assembly was held today. I was very impressed with how the children walked in and out of the hall so quietly and respectfully.

Bakers Park

Yesterday, our year 1 and 2 children took an autumnal walk to Bakers Park in the glorious, frosty sunshine. Please do have a look at some of the amazing photos online once published. A special thank you to all the parents who came along to support this event.



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CHILDREN IN NEED

A big, big thank you to Jon (our school chef) and his wife for baking 270 cakes for Children In Need last week. They looked amazing and tasted fantastic!



Christmas Fayre

We are all so excited about our up and coming Christmas events, especially this year's Christmas fayre. A big thank you to everyone for your donations so far. If you would like to get more involved in running the fayre or any other PTFA events, please do come along to our next meeting at 9am Tuesday 25th November.

New members will be made very welcome.

If you have any feedback on PTFA events, we would really appreciate you joining us.

The next Friends of Highweek (PTFA) meeting will be held on Tuesday 25th November 2025 at 9am in the main school.

 **Refreshments available**

Friends of



**Highweek
Primary School**

School Governors

This week the school governing body met to look at the school's priorities and to review the Autumn term so far. They also undertook a maths training session with Mrs Emma Hopkins. Would you like to learn more about the school governing body and what their role is at school?

Please have a look at our website: <https://www.highweekprimary.co.uk/governors>

As always, if you have any concerns or you would just like to pop in for chat, please get in touch with me via the school office.

Ms Redwood



NOVEMBER

Tuesday 25th	PTFA meeting in the main school at 9am.
Wednesday 26th	Year 5/6 swimming PM.

DECEMBER

Tuesday 2nd	EYFS Christmas Performances 9:30am & 2pm. <i>Details to follow.</i> KS1 Cooking club will be running today instead of Monday 1st December.
Wednesday 3rd	Year 5/6 swimming PM.
Thursday 4th	Lantern parade workshop for year 5 pupils who have enrolled. Year 2 A Christmas Journey at Church. <i>Details to follow.</i>
Friday 5th	PTFA Christmas Fayre 3:30pm - 5:30pm. Please note Dodgeball after school club will not be running on this day.
Monday 8th	Young Voices performing at Tesco's Kingsteignton at 2pm. Please come and support us!
Tuesday 9th	Reception pupils visit to Buckfast Abbey, letters have been sent out. Young Voices performing at Asda Newton Abbot at 11am. Please come and support us!
Wednesday 10th	Year 5/6 swimming PM. Lantern parade in Newton Abbot for year 5 pupils who enrolled. <i>Timings to be confirmed.</i>
Thursday 11th	KS1 Christmas performance 9:30am & 5pm. <i>Details to follow.</i>
Friday 12th	Whole School Rudolph Run. Pupils have been given sponsorship forms. <i>This will take place during the school day.</i>
Monday 15th	Year 3/4 Panto Sleeping Beauty at the Princess Theatre. Music Showcase assembly @ 2:30pm in the main school hall. <i>Parents of pupils who are performing will be invited.</i>
Wednesday 17th	Christmas dinner for all pupils who have ordered. <i>Please see menu over the page.</i>
Thursday 18th	Year 5/6 Christmas event in the school hall. <i>Details to follow.</i>
Friday 19th	Last day of the Autumn term. School re-opens on Tuesday 6th January 2026!

Merry Christmas Everyone!



Accelerated Readers

100,000 words Sophie Gater,
Evelyn Wilkes,
Felicity Godfrey,
Clay Ellison &
Nora Mounce-Jeffreys.

250,000 words Eva Bradford.

We have noticed an increase in cars parking on pavements during drop-off and collection times. We know the weather has been very unsettled lately, but we cannot stress enough how dangerous this is for pedestrians—especially now that the mornings and evenings are much darker.

The safety of our pupils and the wider community is our top priority. Please ensure you use suitable parking spaces, and if you live close enough to walk, we encourage you to do so.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping to keep everyone safe.



Wraparound Care at Highweek November 2025

Costs: 3:30pm - 4pm £4.50 3:30pm - 5pm £7.00 3:30pm - 6pm £8.50

Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3rd Nov	Sausage Rolls Free Play	Toasties Movie Night	Sandwiches Games	Wraps Cooking	Trifle Crafts
10th Nov	Pancakes Free Play	Muffins Cooking	Bagels Movie Night	Toast Games	Crumpets Crafts
17th Nov	Waffles Free Play	Pasta/Sauce Crafts	Pancakes Cooking	Pasta/Sauce Movie Night	Wraps Games
24th Nov	Bagels Free Play	Wraps Games	Pasta/Sauce Crafts	Trifle & fruit Cooking	Sandwiches Movie Night
Outdoor Activity	Multi-Sports 	Archery 	Tag Rugby 	Football 	Dodgeball



3:30pm - 3:45pm Registration
3:45pm - 4pm Snack
4pm - 5pm Chosen activity
5pm - 5:45pm Indoor play
5:45pm - 6pm Tidy up

Please note:
A £10 fee applies to late collections.
All cancellations are non-refundable.

Contact: Mrs Carole Rogers

Number: 07968 891535

Email: carogers@highweekprimary.co.uk

Afterschool Club Reminder

Please note that children will not be able to attend Afterschool Club unless payment has been made in advance via Bromcom.

Bookings must be completed by 12:00 noon on the same day through MCAS.

If no booking is received, or if there is an outstanding balance, we will be unable to admit your child to the club.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Well done to our Friday Flyers.

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



Theme	Persist in the face of setbacks		Effort as the path to mastery	
Date	Weekending Friday 14th November		Weekending Friday 21st November	
Bovey	Leo Kucuk		Freya Bowles	Alisa Filonenko
Dart	Leo Steer	Lydia Bourne	George Davis	Serenity Perry-Feecham
Exe	Jimmy Mead	Tommy Wines	Logan Simmons	Ethan Evans
Mardle	Arthur Payne	Raphaella Williams	Eden Loder	Leo Fare
Plym	Ethan Herbert	Sara Rouse	Riley Daniels	Primrose Tremlett
Tamar	Harry Phillips	Lucas Swann	Ahmad Sultani	Ufedo Audu
Tavy	Theo Shaw	Rory Evans	Phoebe Mansfield	Georgie-Ray Stevens
Teign	George Tooley	Ophelia Parker	Alex Avery	Alisa Malishevskia
Torridge	Jaydyn Mbulayi	Hana Ziubryniewicz	Sam Palmer	Oscar Estlick

Well done to **Plym** class who had **98.9%** attendance for the period of **3rd - 7th November**
Well done to **Bovey** class who had **98.2%** attendance for the period of **10th - 14th November**

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 3rd November	10th November
Taw	88%	84.8%
Mini Mole	95.3%	96.5%
Mole	88.8%	88.5%
Mardle	90.9%	96.5%
Bovey	94.1%	98.2%
Tavy	97.8%	94.4%
Dart	97.7%	96.7%
Plym	98.9%	86.8%
Exe	95%	96.1%
Torridge	98.6%	93.6%
Teign	97.7%	97.6%
Tamar	96.8%	94%



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.

A is for Attendance!

At Highweek we aim to develop the gifts and talents of all our pupils and encourage a life long love of learning. To achieve this, and for children to reach their full potential, excellent attendance and punctuality is crucial. The aim of this newsletter is to promote good attendance for the children in our school and as parents we need your help and support to ensure your child reaches their full potential.

Does Attendance Really Matter?

We take school absence very seriously. We identify students whose attendance drops below 93% and provide support to help improve this. We will contact any family whose child's attendance drops below 90% which is the persistent absence threshold. It is important that parents/carers and school work together to reduce absence and prevent legal action being taken as a result of persistent absence.

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Don't miss out on the education you deserve.



CHRISTMAS

Wednesday

17th December

Menu

MAIN EVENT

Roast turkey, pig in blanket, skin on roasties, roast parsnips, stuffing, carrots, peas, gravy.

VEGETARIAN

Nutless Roast, Vegan Sausage, skin on roasties, roast parsnips, stuffing, carrots, peas, gravy.

DESSERT

Snowy Chocolate Brownie

ALLERGENS & Intolerances

At Cleverchefs we take food allergies and intolerances very seriously. If your child has any food allergies or intolerances you need to make us aware prior to ordering any food with us. We have a full breakdown of the 14 allergens on our primary school menu link on our website www.cleverchefs.co.uk or scan the QR code on this page.

SCAN ME



Christmas Fayre Teddy Tombola Donations

We are beginning preparations for our School Christmas Fayre, and we would be very grateful for donations of teddies or soft toys for our popular Teddy Tombola!

If you have any old or unwanted teddies or soft toys at home, please bring them into the school reception.

Your generosity helps make our Fayre a wonderful event for everyone — thank you so much in advance for your kind donations and support!



Christmas Raffle Tickets Now on Sale!

Pupils have been sent home with one sheet of raffle tickets. If you would like additional sheets, please visit the main school office.

**Tickets are 30p each
or £3 per sheet.**

We have *lots of wonderful prizes* to be won!
The raffle draw will take place during the **Christmas Fayre** —
don't miss it!

HIGHWEEK SCHOOL

Christmas

FAYRE



FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER
3.30PM - 5.30PM



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Come and join us for an evening of
FUN | GAMES | GIFTS
PRIZES | FOOD
& SO MUCH MORE!

