

# HATHERLEIGH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

### 15th May 2026



#### Y6 SATS

We are very proud of our Y6 children, who have completed their national end of KS2 tests (SATs) this week in Grammar, Punctuation, Spelling, Reading and Mathematics. All have worked very hard and displayed a great attitude throughout - well done to all the children and the Y6 team.

Also a big thank you to everyone in our school community who have helped and supported the children during this week and throughout the year in preparation for the tests.

#### 150th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

As you are aware, this term we are celebrating our 150th Anniversary including an Open Day and the PTFA Summer Fayre on Saturday 20th June 2.00pm-6.00pm. On this day, as part of the celebrations, we would like as many children as possible to perform a school dance and song, so please reserve this date in your diary - more details to follow.

On the day before, Friday 19th June, we will be celebrating in school by having a garden party and would like the children to come to school dressed in a smart formal way suitable for this occasion, this may include a 150th theme but no sports kit/clothing for this special day - thank you. More details to come closer to the day but if you have any questions please contact the school office.

#### FAMILY READING

We are really pleased to let you know there will be two Family Reading sessions this term, Friday 5th June 8.30am & Tuesday 14th July 2.45pm - we look forward to seeing you.

#### CHESTNUTS TRIP TO ROSEMOOR



On Tuesday the Chestnuts enjoyed a visit to Rosemoor. In the morning we had a workshop all about plants and after lunch we had time to explore the Brash play area. The children demonstrated fantastic prior knowledge about the parts of a plant and what they need to grow and they all behaved brilliantly. We would like to thank all the parents that helped on our trip.



#### **Chestnuts Class**

All of Chestnuts Class

#### **Hawthorns Class**

Thomas, Logan

#### **Willows Class**

Ralphie, Isabelle

#### **Poplars Class**

All of Poplars Class,  
Elijah, Grace, Ted

#### **Oaks Class**

Chloe

#### **Beeches Class**

Charlie

#### **Maples Class**

All of Maples Class

## Y3 RESIDENTIAL



On Thursday and Friday last week, Year 3 enjoyed an exciting residential adventure packed with exploration, teamwork and fun.

On Thursday morning, we began the day by getting dressed into our wetsuits before climbing into the minibuses and heading off to explore Dartmoor. When we arrived at Meldon, we had great fun scrambling up the gorge. Although the water was very chilly, everyone enjoyed the challenge and showed lots of determination. Along the way, we even had the chance to jump into some of the deeper pools, which was great fun!

We ate our lunch on the moor before setting off to discover where the river in Hatherleigh begins. Alastair taught us all about springs and bogs and explained how rivers start in these areas. We found the stream and worked in our House Teams to build mini dams across the water. Afterwards, we walked to see the real dam that holds back the water at Meldon Reservoir. We were fascinated to hear the echo of our voices when we shouted our names towards the huge dam wall.

Once we returned to school, we enjoyed a delicious tea prepared by Mrs Andrew. We then settled into our tents and, after such a long and busy day, everyone was ready to snuggle into their sleeping bags for a well-earned sleep. The next morning greeted us with bright sunshine and, after filling up on Mrs Monger's delicious breakfast, we headed off for our next adventure. Our destination was Northam Burrows, where we enjoyed a walk along the beach, stopping to build pebble towers and collect flotsam and jetsam along the shoreline. After lunch by the sea, it was time to return home.

We all had an amazing time and every child should feel incredibly proud of themselves and their personal achievements over the two days of adventure.

## UNIFORM

Can we please remind you of our school uniform requirements.

- ❖ Navy sweatshirt, sweat cardigan or fleece jacket
- ❖ Yellow polo shirt
- ❖ Grey, black or navy trousers or shorts, pinafore dress or skirt
- ❖ Blue or lemon gingham dress – Summer term and warm weather
- ❖ Black shoes

The supplier of our school uniform is Schoolwear Direct, for more information please follow the link below:

<https://www.hatherleigh-pri.devon.sch.uk/uniform/>

Alternatively Merry-Go-Round ([merrygoroundonline.co.uk](http://merrygoroundonline.co.uk)) have a shop based in North Tawton with a good stock of used and nearly new uniform, pop in to have a look.

A copy of our uniform policy can be found on the school website.

## PTFA

### **Thank You for Making Our Spring Ball a Success**

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Spring Ball such a wonderful success.

To our incredible Ball Team your hard work, creativity and dedication behind the scenes brought the evening to life and I'm so grateful for everything the team and our amazing volunteers did to make the event so special.

To all who attended, thank you for your support, enthusiasm and generosity throughout the evening. It was fantastic to see so many people come together and enjoy such a memorable occasion.

To everyone who took part in the bidding, thank you for your amazing support of our auction and fundraising efforts. Your generosity will make a real difference and is truly appreciated.

Together, we created a fantastic evening filled with fun, community spirit and support. We are delighted with the success of the Spring Ball and look forward to sharing the total amount raised once the final figures are confirmed.

Many thanks

Steph Letheren - Hatherleigh School PTFA Chair



Help our school look its best for the 150 year celebrations this summer

*Join the PTFA for our*

**Community Maintenance Day!**



**Dates:** Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> & Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> May

**Time** (both days): 9:45am - 12:45pm

We'll have bacon rolls, tea and coffee on hand to keep energy levels up!

No need to stay for the whole day, just an hour or so would be an amazing help! Please comment on this post or email [claredsimmons@gmail.com](mailto:claredsimmons@gmail.com) if you are able to help out

#### **Jobs Include:**

- Pressure washing of plastic gutters / downspouts and courtyard next to dining room
- Sanding and staining/painting fencing
- Wire-brushing & painting metal handrails
- Clearing weeds along bases of walls / fencelines

#### **PLEASE BRING:**

- Protective gloves
- Wire brushes
- Outdoor broom
- Hoe & green trimmings bags
- Water bottle

## SAFEGUARDING & WELLBEING

If you have any safeguarding or wellbeing concerns please contact one of the following:

- School 01837 810 248 [teacher@hatherleigh-pri.devon.sch.uk](mailto:teacher@hatherleigh-pri.devon.sch.uk)
- Police 999 non-emergency 101
- Front Door (formerly MASH) on 0345 155 1071 [mashsecure@devon.gov.uk](mailto:mashsecure@devon.gov.uk)
- Childline 0800 1111 [childline.org.uk](http://childline.org.uk)

## [SCHOOL WEBSITE - a quick reminder](#)

We are really pleased to let you know the upgrade of our school website has been completed and our new website was launched last week.

As this will be a new site not all content may be fully completed and we have been advised by Juniper Education, the company who have designed and operate the site, that there may be some initial problems with accessing some pages, page content and how the site looks.

Below is some information from Juniper Education regarding our new site.

*It can take up to 48 hours for the website to fully propagate following the launch. This means that the new website may go live for different people at different times depending on their location and browser. Usually you will see either the old website or the new one during propagation, but occasionally browser caching may occur. This means that when you visit [www.hatherleigh-pri.devon.sch.uk/](http://www.hatherleigh-pri.devon.sch.uk/) for the first time, the website could look a little strange. Please be reassured this is a normal part of the process and can be easily remedied. To rectify the caching issue, please clear the cache and cookies on the device that you are using also we advise you to do a hard refresh (CTRL + F5 / CMD, SHIFT + R) when first visiting the URL to get the best first impression of the new site.*

We do hope you enjoy the new site and please contact the school office if you have any questions or require support.



**HUNTERSWOOD RIDING SCHOOL & LIVERY  
YARD YEOFORD, DEVON EX17 5ET  
07815 777495**

## Outdoor Holiday Club

**Monday 25th May 10.30am-3pm**

PONY WORKSHOP DAY. MEET THE PONIES, LOOK AFTER THEM, HAVE A LESSON, MAKE NEW FRIENDS

**Tuesday 26th May 10.30am-3.30pm**

SHOW DAY WITH A RIDE. GET THE PONIES GROOMED & PLAITED & READY TO SHOW, ROSETTES TO TAKE HOME FOR ALL

**Wednesday 27th May 10.30am-3.30pm**

SHOW JUMPING DAY. HELP BUILD THE COURSE OF JUMPS, GET YOUR PONIES READY & JUMP THEM IN THE COMPETITION. ROSETTES FOR ALL

**Thursday 28th May 10.30am-3pm**

PONY WORKSHOP DAY. FUNDAY. STABLE MANAGEMENT AND GAMES ON THE PONIES. WALK AROUND THE FIELDS AND MEET ALL THE PONIES

**1 DAY - £45 / 2 DAYS - £80 / 3 DAYS - £115 / 4 DAYS - £145**

**All ages and abilities welcome**

The list of activities on each day is just a guide and can be changed depending on the weather and ability of the children

Contact Christine: [c.c.weeks@icloud.com](mailto:c.c.weeks@icloud.com)

**07815 777495**

Find us on Hunterswood Facebook page



**You will need to bring WELLIES / PACKED LUNCH and a COAT**



**HATHERLEIGH  
COUNTRY FAIR**  
A GREAT DAY OUT FOR ALL THE FAMILY

Join us on  
**SATURDAY  
27TH JUNE  
2026**  
10AM - 5PM

**TRADE STALLS & CRAFTS**  
Local businesses, crafts & gifts

**MAIN RING ENTERTAINMENT**  
Displays, competitions & demonstrations

**FOOD & DRINK**  
Delicious local food & treats

**FUN FOR EVERYONE**  
Children's activities, games & more!

**HOG ROAST**  
Delicious hog roast & plenty more!

IN THE FIELD OPPOSITE THE OLD STATION HOUSE,  
HATHERLEIGH, EX20 3LA

**TICKETS**  
£5.00 PER ADULT  
CHILDREN GO FREE

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@HATHERLEIGHCOUNTRYFAIR



**Speech and Language Therapy**

**EASY ACCESS DROP IN**


We are starting new easy access drop ins for pre school children.

Would you like any advice and support for your child's speech, language and communication skills? Visit one of our easy access drop ins with your child to see a Speech and Language Therapist. Get advice, support and strategies from the team.

Drop in sessions are now being held in different locations across Torbay, South Devon and North Devon. Exeter, East and Mid Devon.

If you would like to attend a drop in, please scan the QR code below to find a location and time that works for you.





**THE STEM GAMES**

**May Half Term Holiday Club**  
26th - 28th May  
Cognition's STEM Den, Bude

[cognitionlearning.co.uk/activities-and-clubs](http://cognitionlearning.co.uk/activities-and-clubs)

**Saturday 13th June 2026**

**Hatherleigh Carnival's COLOUR RUN with a TWIST**

Hatherleigh's Colourful Event of the year!

**5k & 2.5k ROUTES**

ADULTS £15 • CHILDREN £10

Each participant will receive a medal & a white T-shirt!

The party will continue in the square with the presentation of this year's carnival royalty.

**BAR • FOOD • MUSIC from HSB & The Ginja Ninja**

Registration from 12.30pm Run 3.30pm

Scan to Enter!



Enter by 2nd June!



<https://www.hatherleighcarnival.co.uk>

## EVENTS 2026

*Please note - all events and dates are provisional and subject to change, new events will be added as they are confirmed.*

*Further details of each event will be sent out closer to the date.*

Wednesday 20th May	KS1 Music Festival
Wednesday 20th - Friday 22nd May	Y6 Bristol Residential
Thursday 21st - Friday 22nd May	Y2 Residential Sleep Over
Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May	Half Term Break
Friday 5th June	Family reading 8.30am PTFA Grow £5 Challenge - Challenge ends
Monday 8th June	PTFA Grow £5 Challenge - Submission Deadline
Friday 19th June	150th Anniversary garden party
Saturday 20th June	150th Celebration Open Day & PTFA Summer Fayre 2.00pm-6.00pm
Tuesday 30th June	Sports day
Thursday 2nd July	Sports day - reserve date
Monday 6th July	Whole school moving up day
Tuesday 14th July	Family reading 2.45pm
Wednesday 15th July	Y6 Production
Friday 17th July	Y6 Leavers assembly and prize giving 10.00am School year ends

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) Alan Monger

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL) Hugh Lea, Sunita Chauhan & Linda King

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