HATHERLEIGH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
3rd July 2026

REPORTS

Annual reports for 2025/26 will be sent home today. Please use your class email to acknowledge receipt of the report, to make comments or to request further information or clarification of any points that have been made and to request a hard copy if required - thank you.

STAFFING 2026-27

I am pleased to let you know that teaching staff for 2026-27 is confirmed and can be seen in the table below. On Monday 6th July we will be having a Moving Up Morning, where all children in YR-Y5 will visit their new classes and spend time with their new teacher and teaching assistant(s).

At the beginning of the Autumn Term there will be Meet the Teacher & Teaching Assistant sessions which will give you an opportunity to come into school and meet your child's new teacher and teaching assistant(s) - further details will be sent out at the beginning of the new school year with class newsletters. If you have any questions regarding the staffing for 2026-27 please do not hesitate to contact the school.

	Teachers	Teaching Assistants
YR	Miss K Tucker Mrs J Byers	Mrs S Hill Mrs S Valdmane
Y1	Mrs H Jacob Miss S Chauhan	Mrs S Quick
Y2	Mrs L King Mrs S Hill	Mrs M Cooper Mrs K Bennett Mrs S Valdmane Miss E Hutton Mrs L Bater Miss A Bennett
Y3	Mrs J Keat	Mrs S Hill Mrs J Monger Mrs L Andrew Mrs S Valdmane Mrs L Bater
Y4	Mrs N Moss	Mrs C Squire Mrs J Coombs Mrs S Valdmane Mrs H Croom Mrs L Bater Mrs K Bennett
Y5	Miss E Maxa	Mrs J Coombs Mrs L Bater
Y6	Mrs L Bradbury Mr H Lea	Mrs J Monger Mrs J Coombs Miss E Hutton Mrs L Bater

SCHOOL COUNCIL CHARITY DAY

Next Friday, 10th July, we will be holding our annual School Council Charity Day in support of The Little Princess Trust. Children are invited to come to school with funky hair, a funky hat or both, and we kindly ask for a donation to support this wonderful charity.

Thank you from the School Council

SPORTS DAY

Our Sports Day was a wonderful day and the weather just about held off! The day was filled with exciting races, great teamwork and plenty of smiles. All of the children showed determination, enthusiasm and excellent sportsmanship throughout.

A huge thank you to staff and volunteers for helping run the event, to all the parents and families who came along to cheer on the children and to Hatherleigh Cricket club for once again kindly allowing us to use their pavilion and grounds. Your support helped make it a wonderful day for everyone.

Y5 CRICKET TRIP

Year 5 enjoyed a fantastic trip to Somerset to watch the England A Women's team take on India A Women. During the day, the children met some Somerset players, took part in a range of fun cricket activities, and had their faces painted to show their support. They also enjoyed watching some exciting cricket in the glorious sunshine. The journey there by train was an adventure in itself! It was a wonderful day, full of experiences and smiles all round.

A big thank you to the staff and parent helpers that made the day run smoothly.

150TH ANNIVERSARY PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHS

Information about our 150th Anniversary Portrait photographs was sent home on Thursday. Orders can be placed via School Gateway, and all profits from sales will go directly to the school.

THIS WEEK'S LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Chestnuts Class
Mya, Nova

Hawthorns Class
Emily, Toby
All of Hawthorns Class

Willows Class
Ariya, Kelsey

Poplars Class
Finn, Isobel, Tommy M

Oaks Class
Henry

Beeches Class
Lola

Maples Class
All House Captains and School Council

HATHERLEIGH'S WILDLIFE CHAMPIONS SHINE AT WEMBURY BEACH CONFERENCE

On Wednesday, Hatherleigh's Wildlife Champions proudly represented the school at the **Wildlife Champions Conference** at **Wembury Beach**. Throughout the day, the children demonstrated enthusiasm, curiosity and excellent teamwork, making the school proud.

The conference gave pupils the opportunity to take part in a range of engaging activities focused on sustainability, conservation and protecting our natural environment.

During **Freshwater Detectives**, the children collected samples from a stream to identify and record the wildlife they discovered. They learned how to recognise the signs of a healthy freshwater ecosystem and why monitoring wildlife is so important.

In **Habitats and Homes**, pupils explored the relationship between habitats and human homes. They discovered the fascinating world beneath the ocean's surface, learning about seagrass habitats, the impact of human activity on marine environments and how individuals can become ocean activists.

The **Sustainability in the Sea** session encouraged children to think about how we can protect fish stocks for the future. They also investigated the issue of marine litter and discussed simple actions everyone can take to help keep our seas clean.

Finally, in **Rockpool Detectives**, the children carried out a survey of the incredible variety of wildlife living in the rockpools. They learned why these unique habitats are so important and how they support a diverse range of marine life.

The children had an amazing day and learnt a great deal about the importance of protecting our freshwater and marine environments. They returned to school full of enthusiasm, inspired to continue making sustainable choices and encouraging others to care for nature.

We are incredibly proud of the way our Wildlife Champions represented Hatherleigh throughout the conference. They were excellent ambassadors for the school and embraced every opportunity to learn, explore and make a positive difference.

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
- Police 999 non-emergency 101
- Front Door (formerly MASH) on 0345 155 1071 mashsecure@devon.gov.uk
- Childline 0800 1111 childline.org.uk

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) 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 NEWS

Sports Day Refreshments – Thank You!

A huge thank you to everyone who donated refreshments and supported our Sports Day on Tuesday. We are delighted to share that, thanks to your generosity, we raised an amazing **£360**. Your contributions and support are greatly appreciated and helped make the day a fantastic success. Thank you to everyone who was involved!

Goodbyes

As we come to the end of another academic year, we would like to say a heartfelt thank you to Jem, Sarah, Clare and Ruth, who will be stepping down from the PTFA. Their time, dedication and hard work have made a real difference to our school community and we are incredibly grateful for everything they have done.
Our PTFA Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on **Monday 14th September at 7.00pm** at Hatherleigh School. We are always looking for new members and fresh ideas, so if you would like to get involved, please do come along. Whether you can offer a little time or a lot, your support would be very welcome, and we'd love to see you there.

Hatherleigh Community Primary School 150th Anniversary Keepsakes

FRIDAY 3 July is is the DEADLINE for Anniversary Mug Orders (and another print run for the book)

All items have to be pre-paid.

To order, please complete the order form on the following link
https://forms.gle/TfTSqRD44WonCa4A8

or email the PTFA at ptfa@hatherleigh-pri.devon.sch.uk

We hope these items will become treasured keepsakes for years to come.

Thank you.

LUMI NOVA

The links below provide a brief overview of the interventions available for primary-aged children following the Year 6 transition workshop. We hope these short videos will help you understand the support children have received and support continuity moving forward.

https://youtu.be/ftUMSz_rbkw?si=VK2416jbaickFQHW Decider skills

https://youtu.be/iQvhAXlXFN4?si=CZ4kuyEN0mYoYzk3 Coping cat

https://youtu.be/OwnGX4QlvyE?si=92dlY7RfucAVZTVm Worry management

https://youtu.be/IIBDj469e_o?si=lL5DPeG35OCx_YQs Parenting (behaviour)

https://youtu.be/yHFe9lVhHyA?si=2n1IWLrh4lSGt64O Parent-led (anxiety)

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.

Monday 6th July	Whole school moving up day
Friday 10th July	School Council Charity Day & HGT
Monday 13th July	YR, Y1 & Y2 Beach Trip
Tuesday 14th July	Family Reading 2.45pm
Wednesday 15th July	Y6 Production 2pm and 6.30pm
Friday 17th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly and prize giving 10.00am School year ends