

HATHERLEIGH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

28th November 2025



POPPY APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who supported the Poppy Appeal, we raised £245.04.

EXTREME WEATHER CLOSURE

In the event of snow and other extreme weather resulting in the school having to close, information will be posted on the school website, DCC website, sent via emails/text messages and broadcast by local radio.

WOW CHALLENGE

Today we awarded the first WOW challenge badges - well done and congratulations to everyone who achieved their first badge for active sustainable travel.

PANTO

On Wednesday of next week we are travelling to Exeter for the PTFA whole school Panto. Can I remind you that we will be returning to school at approximately 4.30pm and there will be no school transport on that day. Please see the letter sent out last week for more details.

AUTUMN TERM PARENT/CARER MEETINGS

Parent/carer meetings will be taking place on Monday and Tuesday of next week - please see the letter sent out earlier for more details.

CARNIVAL COMMITTEE DONATION

A big thank you goes to the Hatherleigh Carnival Committee for their kind and generous donation to school, the money will be spent on books to support phonics and early reading.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SALE

Every year Year 6 holds a Christmas Sale to help raise funds for the school. This year the sale will take place on **Tuesday 16th December**.

Children are invited to bring something from home in either new or 'very good pre-loved' condition. These wonderful donations are then sorted by the year six class and offered for sale to all children. This enables children to buy family and friends a christmas present, which will come home wrapped.

Donations should be brought in from now until Friday 12th, so that the year 6 children have plenty of time to sort through the items. A polite reminder to please make sure that all items are suitable for children - occasionally we have had donations of age-inappropriate items that we have to then dispose of - and that they are of a quality you would want to receive or would give to a friend. All children can bring in up to £2 on Tuesday 16th to purchase their gifts.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Bradbury, Mr Lea and the Y6 children

CHESTNUTS CLASS

The Chestnuts have been so lucky to have had some visitors over the past couple of weeks to support us with our topic on 'people who help us'.

Last week we were visited by Kayleigh from Okehampton library and this week we have been visited by Michelle and Nick from the South West Ambulance service and Kirsty who is a vet. We are so grateful to our visitors for taking the time to come and speak to us and for making our learning so much fun! Thank you.



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.

**THIS WEEK'S
LEARNERS OF THE WEEK**

Chestnuts	Esmee Zenya
Hawthorns	Dylan Logan Myla
Willows	Nellie Wyn
Poplars	George Henry Tommy M
Oaks	Lexi Lloyd
All of Beeches	Oscar K
All of Maples Class	

PTFA NEWS

Whole School Theatre Trip –

We are very excited for our whole school theatre trip taking place on **Wednesday 3rd December**. Opportunities like this are truly special, and we'd like to thank you all for supporting our PTFA events throughout the year—your involvement helps make experiences like this possible.

Christmas Fayre Donations

As we prepare for our **Christmas Fayre on Friday 5th December, 3:30–5:00pm**, we kindly ask for any donations to be sent into school **by the morning of Thursday 4th December**. We would be grateful for contributions of:

- Bottles of alcohol
- A variety of chocolate - all sizes welcome just no nuts please!
- Festive goodies such as wrapping paper, mince pies, crackers, crisps, cheese, chutney, and similar items

Your generosity plays a huge part in making the Christmas Fayre a wonderful event for everyone.

Thank you

DONATIONS NEEDED

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

HATHERLEIGH SCHOOL PTFA WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR ANY DONATIONS OF

BOTTLES - ALCOHOL AND SOFT DRINKS FOR OUR BOTTLE TOMBOLA AND HAMPER

CHRISTMAS TREATS - THIS COULD BE CHEESE, CRACKERS, MINCE PIES, WRAPPING PAPER, CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

VARIETY OF CHOCOLATE BARS- FOR OUR CHOCOLATE GAME - NO NUTS PLEASE.

PLEASE DROP INTO SCHOOL OFFICE BY **THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER.**
CHRISTMAS FAYRE 5TH DECEMBER 3.30PM

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

JOIN US FOR SOME FESTIVE FUN

5TH DEC 3.30PM - 5PM

HATHERLEIGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Christmas Hamper Raffle

Festive Games for all ages

Delicious Refreshments
TOAST YOUR OWN S'MORES

Christmas Crafts

and plenty more Christmas delights

HO HO HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

HATHERLEIGH SCHOOL PTFA

HATHERLEIGH PARISH CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

St John the Baptist Church, Hatherleigh

Sunday 7th December at 6pm

Come and join us for this special family celebration — a highlight of the year for many! Everyone is warmly welcome, and all money raised will go to The Children's Society.



HUNTERSWOOD

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



Christmas Activities 2025

23rd December

Christmas Pony Party.

Games on the ponies. Pony stockings to make. Sparkling Reindeer Food.
Lots of Christmas Games

29th December

Pony Workshop Day.

Learn all about the ponies. Stable Management and a lesson.

30th December

Show Day.

Stable Management. Learn to plait your ponies and get them looking lovely and clean. Ride and take rosettes home.

31st December

Pony Workshop Day.

Show jumping. Stable Management with a lesson

2nd January

Show Jumping Day.

Stable Management. Help build the course of show jumps and then have a go at riding it. Rosettes to take home

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



Riding lesson vouchers are available to purchase
The perfect Christmas present



1 DAY £40
2 DAYS £75
3 DAYS £110
4 DAYS 140
5 DAYS £165

Contact Christine Weeks

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07815 777495



EVENTS 2025-26

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 1st December	Autumn term parent meetings
Tuesday 2nd December	Autumn term parent meetings
Wednesday 3rd December	Whole school panto
Friday 5th December	PTFA Christmas Fayre 3.30pm-5pm
Tuesday 9th December	Y3 & Y4 Christmas production 1400
Thursday 11th December	YR, Y1 & Y2 Christmas production 1345
Tuesday 16th December	Family Reading 2.45pm
Wednesday 17th December	Christmas jumper and lunch day

Friday 19th December	Y5 & Y6 Christmas service 1400 Autumn term ends
Monday 22nd December - Monday 5th January	Christmas break
Tuesday 6th January	Spring term begins
Monday 16th - Friday 20th February	Half term break
Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th March	Y5 Bikeability
Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th March	Y5 Bikeability
Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th March	Y5 Bikeability
Tuesday 24th & Wednesday 25th March	Y4 Bikeability
Tuesday 24th March	Spring term parent meetings
Wednesday 25th March	Spring term parent meetings
Thursday 2nd April	Spring term ends
Friday 3rd - Friday 17th April	Easter break
Monday 20th April	Summer term begins
Wednesday 22nd - Friday 24th April	Y5 Outdoor and adventurous residential
Thursday 7th - Friday 8th May	Y3 Residential
Monday 11th - Thursday 14th May	Y6 KS2 SATs
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
Saturday 20th June	150th Celebration Open Day
Tuesday 30th June	Sports day
Thursday 2nd July	Sports day - reserve date
Monday 6th July	Whole school moving up day
Friday 17th July	Y6 Leavers assembly and prize giving 1000 School year ends