

# HATHERLEIGH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

### 30th January 2026



#### FAMILY READING

We warmly invite you to join us for our family reading session on **Wednesday 4th February at 8.30am**. During family reading, parents/carers/extended family are invited into school from 8.30am to share a book together as a family. We look forward to seeing you and sharing a lovely start to the day.

#### NSPCC NUMBER DAY



On **Friday 6th February**, the children are invited to dress up in any outfit that promotes numbers as part of the NSPCC fundraiser. In the past, we have had incredibly creative number costumes (dressed as playing cards, dice, clocks, decorated t-shirts, or tops showing 3 robots, more than 100 spots, etc.). During the day the children will take part in extra number activities in their classes and we will have the opportunity to show off their outfits in assembly.

We will not be collecting money in school but you could make a donation online to help fund vital NSPCC services like Speak out, Stay safe and Childline.

#### THANK YOU

Thank you very much to Amy and Spencer Phillips for their very kind donation of bookcases to the school library.



#### THIS WEEK'S LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

##### **Chestnuts Class**

Elodie, Poppy

##### **Hawthorns Class**

Chloe, Myla

##### **Willows Class**

Kelsey, Oscar S

##### **Poplars Class**

Ella, Macey, Ted

##### **Oaks Class**

Thea, Ollis

##### **Beeches Class**

Dexter, Oscar Q

##### **Maples Class**

Rasheed, William

### [POSITIVE MENTAL WELLBEING - a reminder](#)

Hatherleigh Community Primary School is very pleased to invite you to join us for an interactive session that will explore and promote key messages on positive mental wellbeing and suicide awareness. The session is designed to help you to think about how you maintain your own mental wellbeing as well as ways you can support others around you – family, friends, colleagues and members of your community. You will get important resources to take away and find out about available support services and opportunities to develop more knowledge through training.

Sessions will take place at Hatherleigh Community Primary School on Wednesday 4th February and Thursday 26th February from 3.30pm-4.30pm (each session will cover the same content) and will be delivered by members of the public health team.

Free child care will be available for school aged children. Booking is not required but please contact the school office if you require child care.

If you have any questions or require further information do not hesitate to contact the school.

### [MOBILE PHONES IN SCHOOL](#)

Following guidance received by all schools from the Secretary for Education on the use of mobile phones in school I can confirm that Hatherleigh School's policy remains unchanged and can be found in our online safety policy.

***Pupils may bring mobile devices into school, but are not permitted to use them during school hours including before and after school clubs. All phones are to be handed in to the school office on arrival and collected on departure.***

### [WOW CHALLENGE](#)

Well done to the children who have been awarded their January WOW challenge badges for active and sustainable travel.

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

We are really pleased to let you know during the Spring Term we will be upgrading our school website with a new one expected to be launched around the end of this term or the beginning of the Summer Term. During this time there may be some disruption to our current website resulting in some features not working or information not available. We do apologise for any inconvenience this may cause, during this time please contact the school office if you have any questions or require information that is not available.

### [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.

### [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)

## 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 NEWS

This Saturday, Hatherleigh School PTFA will be at the Hatherleigh Repair Café & Cosy Café at the Community Centre from 2pm - 4pm, gathering stories as Hatherleigh Primary School approaches its 150th birthday.

We're inviting anyone with a connection to the school to pop in for a cuppa, some cake and a natter. Bring your memories (and any photos or memorabilia if you'd like) and help us build a picture of 150 years of school life in Hatherleigh.

We'll be there on the day to listen, take notes and scan photos or documents. No writing or tech skills needed. We simply want to hear your wonderful stories.

Please spread the word and help us get the whole community involved.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR

**VALENTINE'S DISCO**

THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY  
3.30 - 5PM

WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HELP

WE'RE ASKING FOR DONATIONS OF  
BAKED GOODS TO SELL AT THE DISCO

HOMEMADE OR SHOP-BROUGHT ARE BOTH  
WELCOME.

PLEASE DROP THEM AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON  
THE MORNING OF THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> FEB

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT  
FROM HATHERERLEIGH SCHOOL PTFA

£3 PER CHILD

TUCK SHOP  
CAKES  
TATTOOS

PRIMARY SCHOOL AGE AND YOUNGER SIBLINGS  
ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT  
RAISING MONEY FOR  
HATHERLEIGH SCHOOL PTFA

## SEEKING MEMORIES OF YOUR SCHOOL DAYS



This year marks an incredible 150 years of Hatherleigh Community Primary School, as we prepare to celebrate our school's legacy and look ahead to its future, we'd love your help.

**Do you have photos, stories, or memories** from your time at Hatherleigh School – whether from the classroom, the playground, special events, or everyday moments?

Every snapshot and story helps bring our school's history to life. Please share your contributions to [ptfa@hatherleigh-pri.devon.sch.uk](mailto:ptfa@hatherleigh-pri.devon.sch.uk) or drop them in to reception.

Let's celebrate the past, present, and future of Hatherleigh Community Primary School – TOGETHER.

**Flu  
Vaccination**

School Age  
Reception -  
Year 11

# Drop In Clinic

Complete  
your  
consent  
form here

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2026

11:00 - 13:00

Riverside Community Centre  
Station Road  
Bovey Tracey  
TQ13 9AW



For more information  
please speak with a  
member of the team

Call us on

**01392 342678**

kernowhealthcic.schoolimmsdevon@nhs.net

# Repair Café

HATHERLEIGH COMMUNITY CENTRE

Visit our community hub – so much more than a repair café!

We aim to mend your household items to reduce waste and save you money. Dedicated volunteers will do their best to restore them and offer professional advice. But you don't have to bring items for repair — everyone is welcome!

**2026 dates:**  
(14:00 - 16:00)

- 31st January
- 28th February
- 21st March
- 25th April
- 30th May
- 27th June
- 26th September
- 31st October
- 28th November

☕ Pop in for a cuppa and some cake, and enjoy a chat

🌱 Have a nose at the free seeds and bookswap

🔍 Explore the weird and wonderful gadgets on the vintage Curiosity Table

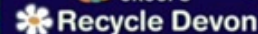
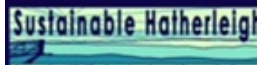
💻 Visit the Computer Club for repairs, advice, support, projects and programming (such as Raspberry Pi)

(We are taking a break in July, August and December)

Follow us on Facebook

Email: [info@sustainablehatherleigh.org.uk](mailto:info@sustainablehatherleigh.org.uk)

[www.sustainablehatherleigh.org.uk](http://www.sustainablehatherleigh.org.uk)



Cosy Company  
Open Living Room



## Hunterswood Riding and livery Stables



All ages and  
abilities  
welcome!

February half term pony  
day dates



**MONDAY 16TH FEBRUARY**

**Pony workshop day**, meeting the ponies, meet the staff, help look after the ponies, grooming with a lesson

**TUESDAY 17TH FEBRUARY**

**Show day**, learn how to plait a pony, help look after the ponies, grooming and a ride winning a rosette



**WEDNESDAY 18TH FEBRUARY**

**Showjumping day**, help build a course, help look after the ponies, grooming and a ride over the jumps to win a rosette

**THURSDAY 19TH FEBRUARY**

**Fun day**, help look after the ponies, grooming, play games on and off the ponies lots of fun!

CONTACT: Christine Weeks  
0781777495  
c.c.weeks@icloud.com

**10:30am-3:30pm**

1 Day-£40  
2 Days-£75  
3 Days-£110  
4 Days-£145

**FREE TRIAL SWIMMING LESSON DAY**

**SATURDAY 31st**

**FREE Trial Swimming Lessons!**

For Infants, Children & Adults!  
Try a lesson, meet our teachers, and build confidence in the water!

**CONTACT US TO BOOK YOUR SPACE!**

... Spaces are limited - First Come, First Served! ...

**01837 659154**

We can't wait to see you in the pool!

**THE OUTDOORS GROUP**

**ENJOY THE ULTIMATE HOLIDAY CLUB EXPERIENCE THIS SPRING**

**EXMOUTH  
TOTNES  
ESCOT  
OKEHAMPTON**

**BOOK NOW!**

Adventure awaits in the woods! This February half-term and Easter, your young explorers can climb, explore, create, and play in nature at our Forest School Holiday Clubs – the perfect way to enjoy the holidays outdoors. Suitable for ages 5 to 15.

Book your space at [outdoorsgroup.co.uk](http://outdoorsgroup.co.uk)

## HOLIDAY CLUBS

**GET OUTDOORS WHEN SCHOOL'S OUT**  
Enjoy adventure, fun and endless excitement during the school holidays. We offer fun, engaging and adventurous Holiday Clubs for your children and teenagers (aged 5-15).

**SESSION TIMES**  
Our Holiday Club sessions run at all of our Forest School sites. We run holiday clubs during all school holidays other than the Christmas break.

**WHAT HAPPENS?**  
Jam packed with fire-lighting, den building, bug hunting, game playing fun...no two Holiday Club sessions are the same! Have your kids got a lot of excess energy now that school's out? Do you need childcare whilst you work? Then choose to send them into the great outdoors for a fantastic day in the woods with us!

## TODDLER CLUBS

**EXPLORE THE WOODS**  
Run by an experienced Forest School Leader, the sessions are aimed at engaging the toddlers and their grown ups.

**TREE TOTS TODDLERS**  
We provide fun and engaging Forest School activities, inspired by the seasons, the environment and the desires of the group.

## BIRTHDAY PARTIES

**TAKE YOUR PARTY OUTDOORS**  
Take your party outdoors this year and enjoy the ultimate woodland adventure birthday!

**SESSION TIMES**  
Parties are currently available at Exmouth and Escot Forest School. Visit our website to book yours!

### 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 4th February	Family Reading 8.30am
Friday 6th February	Number Day
Thursday 12th February	PTFA Children's Valentine Disco 3.30pm - 5pm at the Community Centre
Monday 16th - Friday 20th February	Half term break
Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th March	Y5 Bikeability
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day

Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th March	Y5 Bikeability
Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th March	Y5 Bikeability
Friday 20th March	Spring Concert
Tuesday 24th & Wednesday 25th March	Y4 Bikeability
Tuesday 24th March	Spring term parent meetings
Wednesday 25th March	Spring term parent meetings
Thursday 26th March	Family Reading 2.45pm
Thursday 2nd April	Spring term ends
Friday 3rd - Friday 17th April	Easter break
Monday 20th April	Summer term begins
Tuesday 21st April	Whole School Photograph
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 10.00am School year ends