

HATHERLEIGH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

2nd April 2026



EASTER HOLIDAY

The spring term ends today and we would like to thank everyone for their hard work and support this term. We hope you have a lovely Easter break with family and friends.

The summer term begins on Monday 20th April.



THANK YOU

The school would like to say a big thank you and happy retirement to Linda and Jenson, the Springer Spaniel, who have been visiting school for the last few years, supporting both children and staff through the Pets As Therapy charity. Next term, we look forward to welcoming Ruth and Grant, the Labrador Retriever.

WOW CHALLENGE

Congratulations and well done to all the children who have achieved their March WOW challenge badges for active and sustainable travel to school.



HOUSE CUP

Well done to Taw; champion house and awarded the House Cup for the Spring term.



THIS WEEK'S LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Chestnuts Class

All of Chestnuts Class

Hawthorns Class

All of Hawthorns Class

Willows Class

All of Willows Class

Poplars Class

All of Poplars Class

Oaks Class

All of Oaks Class

Beeches Class

Amelie, Chloe

Maples Class

Freddie, Rowan

WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPH

As part of our 150th Anniversary celebrations we will be having a whole school photograph taken on Tuesday 21st April. Please ensure your child comes to school in full uniform including sweatshirt, fleece or cardigan - thank you.

GOOD LUCK

Good luck to Miss Chauhan and Mrs Letheren, who are attempting the Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge during the Easter break.



Y1 & Y2 ROSEMOOR TRIP

Willows and Hawthorns had a fantastic trip to Rosemoor Gardens on Monday, linked to their learning in Science. Hawthorns enjoyed learning about plants, including which parts of a plant can be eaten, and went on a plant hunt in the fruit and vegetable garden. They then planted peas and radishes, which they have taken home to grow. Willows answered the question "Who lives in our garden?", thinking about what clues can be found to answer this. They then really enjoyed hunting for invertebrates in the woodland.

Well done to all the children for their fantastic behaviour and engagement in their learning. Thank you also to the parent helpers who accompanied us on the trip.

PTFA NEWS

The PTFA would like to say a huge thank you to all families who have donated items for today's Easter Bake Sale, we are so grateful for all the delicious-looking treats that have been donated and thank you for your support! We've also been blown away by all the children's entries for the cake decorating competition - we definitely have junior bake-off contenders here in school! The standards were extremely high and we are very grateful for all the hard work that went into creating these beautiful cakes, cupcakes and cookies - a huge well done to all who entered, with awards given to the winners in this afternoon's assembly.

You are warmly invited to join
Hatherleigh Community Primary School's

150th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday 20th June, 2026
2pm - 6pm

We would love to welcome anyone with a connection to the school, past or present, to join us for this special commemoration event.

Special Guest Speaker: *Michael Morpurgo*
School tours | Historic photos | Stalls
Pupil Art Exhibition | Fairground Games
Cream Teas & BBQ | Music & Dance Exhibitions
Commemorative Items Available

Hatherleigh Community Primary School
South Street, Hatherleigh, EX20 3JB

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 being 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.

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.

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



Stage Wings
Youth Theatre Company

EASTER WORKSHOPS NOW ENROLLING!

ENERGISE YOUR EASTER BREAK WITH FUN MUSICAL THEATRE AND COMMERCIAL DANCE SESSIONS FOR ALL BUDDING PERFORMERS.

K-Pop & Commercial Dance All Saints Church Hall- Okehampton 16 th April	Musical Theatre Workshops Old Schools- Hatherleigh 9 th April
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Enquire - stagewingstheatrecompany@gmail.com



GET A FLYING START WITH
HATHERLEIGH PRE-SCHOOL

Easter COFFEE MORNING

At Hatherleigh Preschool
Saturday 4th April
9.30-12.30

Raffle
Easter activities for kids

If you have any questions, please email paul@middevon.cc

FREE EVENT



I AM LIMITLESS

Festival of Disability – Inclusive Cycling

Saturday 18th April 2026, Torbay Velopark 11am - 3pm

Have a go – all ages & abilities

Adapted and standard bikes in a traffic free environment supported by British Cycling Coaches and Ride Leaders.

Hand Cycles | Upright Racing Trikes | Tandems | ICE Trikes/Recumbents
Standard Bikes | Helmets if needed

Available Activities:

- Introduction and simple checks
- Straight line, cornering, wheel control and obstacle negotiation
- Fun challenges

Coffee van and refreshments available

Please scan QR code to book your place by Wednesday 16th April
<https://uk.fyi/1MFOzjr>

Limitless is British Cycling's inclusive programme which provides cycling opportunities for disabled people, regardless of age, impairment and ability.

FREE EVENT

LIMITLESS 

FINE ART APRIL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

7th & 14th April - 10am-12pm
£15.00 per class

Creating a hare & a duck!
Taught by Emmylou Shine, Muralist and fine artist. Students will learn how to create their very own masterpiece!



5-13yrs

TO BOOK GO TO
WWW.AURORASHINEONLINE.COM
E@EMMYLOUART.COM / 07949293463

THE WHITE ROOM
CREATED BY EM

The White Room Creative Space
50 Commonmarsh Lane
Crediton, Devon, EX17 1DN
07422712894
info@whiteroomdevon.co.uk





Wren Music Children's Workshop

- Try something creative
- All abilities and needs welcome
- Professional Music Leaders

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

Children's music session for 8 to 16 year olds. Have fun with learning and making music. No musical experience necessary.

Try an instrument you may have never played before, or bring your own instrument to help make the band!

£16/£10 per child (additional siblings £10/£6). Drinks provided, bring a packed lunch.

Wednesday 15th April - 10am-3pm
Ebenezer Hall, North Street, EX20 1AR

Any questions? info@wrenmusic.co.uk or call 01837 53754

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Folk School

Weekly term time folk music sessions for 5 to 16 year olds.

All abilities welcome

- Have fun with learning and making music
- Instruments provided or bring your own
- Learn to sing and play together

Wednesdays - During School Terms
Ebenezer Hall, North Street, EX20 1AR

5yrs - 7yrs: 3.45pm to 4.30pm
Family session - Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult
8yrs - 11yrs: 4.45pm to 5.45pm
12yrs - 16yrs: 6.00pm to 7.00pm
Weekly Fees: £8/£5 for first child - £5/£3 for additional siblings

  

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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.

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 23rd April	Whole School Cricket Day
Thursday 7th - Friday 8th May	Y3 Residential
Saturday 9th May	PTFA May Ball
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
Friday 5th June	PTFA Grow £5 Challenge - Challenge Ends
Monday 8th June	PTFA Grow £5 Challenge - Submission Deadline
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