



HIGH LITTLETON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday, 22nd May 2026



Head's View

Headteacher's Tea Party: Congratulations go to Atheethan and Fin (Owls), Elijah (Hedgehogs), Essie and Ivy (Foxes), Mabel and Jasper (Badgers), Freya and Zach (Otters), Stig and Toby (Robins) as well as Eve and Jax (Deer) who attended this term's Headteacher's Tea Party. This is in recognition of their impeccable behaviour and manners.

Headteacher's Award: Many, many congratulations go to Olivia (Deer) who is the proud recipient of this term's Headteacher's Award. This award is in recognition of Olivia's outstanding behaviour and attitude to all aspects of school life.

Star Reader: Our two **Star Readers** for this term are Johnny (Hedgehog) and Lola (Robin). These awards are in recognition of the children's hard work both at home and at school to improve their reading.

Attendance and Punctuality: Our current whole school attendance is 97%. Our target at the beginning of the year was 98%. Please can I ask that children attend school as regularly as possible and that they are on time. Being late for school on a consistent basis has an adverse affect on the child as they are late for registration, early morning activities and they also miss out on the key areas of teaching.

Y6 London Trip: What a great day we had in the Big Smoke! Our annual trip to London with our Year 6 children was a fantastic success. The children were an absolute credit to the school and many members of the public commented on the manners and behaviour of the children. The children (and adults) also enjoyed visiting all the famous landmarks including Buckingham Palace, Trafalgar Square, Downing Street, Big Ben, The London Eye as well as the Houses of Parliament. We were then treated to an incredible performance of *Paddington* at the Savoy Theatre before returning to school.

Sports Day: The school sports day for this year takes place on **Tuesday, 30th June** at the Recreation Ground beginning at **9:30am**. All children in the school take part in the morning and all parents are more than welcome to attend this event.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a relaxing half term and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday, 1st June 2026.



"Love each other as I have loved you." John 15:12

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All aboard



I sometimes have to remind the children how lucky they are to have such a fantastic outdoor environment. At this time of year, it's a privilege to be outside hidden by our wonderful green canopy. Our grateful thanks go to Lucy and Guy (mother and father of Astrid and Stig) for purchasing and renovating this amazing boat which is now in situ within our school grounds. We've also installed some raised beds for planting. The children were such a help in setting these up and it just goes to show how proud they are of their environment. Congratulations to Elsie who was this afternoon awarded with our OPAL Golden Welly Boot Award for the positive way in which she helps the younger children at playtimes. I can't wait to see what other surprises are in store for our children!



Year 6 Trip to London



Safeguarding

If you ever have any concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of our pupils, please contact the school office and ask to speak to our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mr Griffith, or our Deputy Safeguarding Lead, Mr Gunning.

The safety of our young people is the responsibility of us all.

During the school holidays if you have a concern about a child, please contact BANES Social Work Services.

You can raise your concerns in any of the following ways:

- Call Children's Social Work Services on 01225 39 61 11 or 01225 47 79 29 (weekdays, 8.30am to 5pm, except Fridays when they are closed from 4.30pm)
- Drop into the Keynsham One Stop Shop and ask for the duty children's social worker
- Discuss your concerns with someone who works with children and families: Teacher, Health visitor, School Nurse
- **Out of office hours** - If you think a child is in immediate danger please BANES Emergency Duty Team on 01454 61 51 65

**Keeping
children safe
is everyone's
responsibility**



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'Later, Levi held a banquet in his home with Jesus as the guest of honour. Many of Levi's fellow tax collectors and other guests also ate with them.' (Luke 5:29)



In our society, we often place a lot of value on celebrating. Sometimes this is for something of real importance - a birthday, a wedding, the birth of a child. Sometimes the celebration isn't for any great event - celebrating a sunny day, reaching the end of the working week, sometimes getting to the end of a difficult day!

There are several examples of celebration in the Bible. In the Old

Testament, there were seven annual festivals which after the Jews went into exile increased to ten. Every week, Jews would also celebrate the Sabbath by having a special meal on Friday evening and many Jews still celebrate Shabbat to this day.

As we move into the New Testament, these festivals were still marked and celebrated - many of these Jesus celebrated himself. But there are also other examples of Jesus celebrating. When Matthew (Levi) decided to follow Jesus, he was invited to eat with Matthew and his friends. When Zacchaeus changed his ways and decided to pay back the people he had cheated, Jesus invited himself to eat at his house. Jesus and his disciples also famously attended a wedding in Cana and he even helped out with the wine! In the parable of the Prodigal Son, the father throws a massive party when his son finally returns.

Many of us have an extra day to enjoy this weekend. This doesn't happen very often in our country so it is worth taking the opportunity to celebrate. One of the main reasons we have this bank holiday at the end of May is because of Whit Monday, a traditional Christian holiday celebrating Pentecost which was supposed to happen 50 days after Easter. Because the date kept changing, the government decided to fix it as the last Monday in May in 1971.

But the end of May also marks the beginning of Summer and it's usually the time when the weather improves and we can enjoy being outside more.

Whatever the reason, let's take the opportunity, if we can, to enjoy an extra day and see it as a reason to celebrate - celebrate family, celebrate summer, celebrate life.

Jesus showed GRACE by eating with sinners, and TRUTH by calling them to repentance.

Luke 5:29-31



OPAL Resources

It's that time of year again when we are asking for donations of loose parts to further enrich the children's outdoor learning experience. High Littleton is a platinum awarded OPAL school. The aim of OPAL is to enrich the children's outdoor playtime by encouraging free and imaginative play, reinforcing social skills and allowing a safe environment for the children to assess their own risks.

As before, we're asking for items off the list below. Whilst we will thoroughly check all items to ensure their safety, it would be appreciated if you could check that the items are safe enough to play with i.e. pockets, bags should all be cleared out, cables cut-off.

Natural Loose Parts	Fabricated Loose Parts
Bulbs/seeds/plants	Astro Turf Off cuts
Logs	Bed linen
Pea Gravel	Boards, Old Cabinet Doors, Panels
Pine cones	Bread, milk, bottle and grocery crates
Play Bark/ Woodchip	Brief cases
Tree stumps that can be used as seats	Buggies, push chairs
Sea Pebbles	Cable drums
Shells	Decking that can be made into planters
Varied aggregates, slate, flint, clay	Event shelter/old tents
Wood offcuts	Fabrics – Preferably parachute type materials and as colourful as possible.
	Hoses and pipe
	Netting - fishing, cargo, football
	Old clothes, jackets, overalls, hats, bags
	Suitcases/Briefcases of all sizes
	Treasure that can be buried - crystals, rocks, coins, foos gold, mini dinosaurs etc

Nut-Free School

Please can I remind you that we are **NUT FREE SCHOOL**.

Please can you also ensure you do not provide SESAME items. We are asking all parents to bear this in mind when sending lunches and snacks to school.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Progressive Kids



DO YOU NEED
CHILDCARE BEFORE OR
AFTER SCHOOL?

YOU CAN BOOK ODD
DAYS, A WEEK OR A
FULL TERM!

SCAN THE QR CODE
BELOW TO GO TO OUR
BOOKING SITE



OR CONTACT US BY TEXT/EMAIL
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Golden Rules

We are gentle



We are kind and helpful



We listen



We are honest



We work hard



We look after property



Attendance

Please see below attendance for each class since the beginning of the academic year:

Owl	96.5%
Hedgehog	97%
Fox	98%
Badger	96.7%
Otter	96.8%
Robins	97.9%
Deer	97.4%
Total	97%



Please check out the website - Click on the [link](#).

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Dates for your Diaries 2025-2026

Please click on the link below to take you to the 'Diary Dates' page and scroll down to see Club dates!

['Diary Dates/Clubs'](#)

High Littleton Primary School is committed to working towards race equality, promoting positive approaches to difference and opposing all forms of racial prejudice and discrimination. Language or behaviour, which is racist or potentially damaging to any ethnic or racial group, is not tolerated and will always be challenged. We recognise that British society is made up of people from many different racial, cultural, linguistic and religious backgrounds and that all pupils must be fully prepared to live in such a diverse society.

Fahrenheit's Family



Farrington
Gurney
Memorial Hall.
& Playing
fields.

Saturday 20th June 2026. 12 Noon- 4pm.

Fahrenheit Display Team.
Raffle.

Join
the
FUN

Face Painting.
Various stalls.
Games.
Bouncy Castle.
BBQ.

And
much
more!