



High Littleton Church of England Primary School Friday 25th September

Welcome back!

Welcome: As we come to the end of the third week at school, I would like to extend a warm welcome back to you all. I would also like to welcome all the new Reception children and their families to High Littleton Primary School. Also, we welcome Jude and Harry in Robin and Badger classes respectively. I have no doubt that their time at High Littleton will be a happy one.

Attendance and Punctuality: Our whole-school attendance target is **98%** - a figure that I am keen to achieve throughout this academic year. I would like to draw your attention to our website, which has a dedicated section on the home page about the Trust's policies and procedures around attendance. From the first day of term to the last, the small moments in a school day make a real difference to your child. Attendance counts. We believe that face-to-face education is important in helping pupils to fulfil their potential. Our expectation is that pupils should be in class with their teachers and peers and enjoying all the benefits that brings. To this end, I would ask that your child arrives in good time at the beginning of the day and that you do not pick up your child during the school day unless this is for urgent medical appointments. I cannot authorise any absence from school unless your child is unwell or there are exceptional circumstances.

Open Morning: Our annual Open Morning for prospective parents will be taking place on Tuesday, 10th November 2026 from 9.30am - 12pm. No bookings are necessary.

Autumn Term Parents' Evenings: Our Autumn Parents' Evening will be held on Monday, 12th October 3:30pm - 6:30pm and Thursday, 15th October. All parents will need to book a slot using your ARBOR Parent Portal app. A letter has already been sent to you with instructions on how to book an appointment with your child's class teacher. If you have any questions, please contact office@highlittleton.mnsp.org.uk

PTA Annual General Meeting: Our first PTA meeting will be held on Thursday, 1st October at 5pm. We would be delighted to see as many of you as possible to support the PTA in raising much-needed revenue to help the school.

School Photos: Nigel Coles will be in school on Tuesday, 13th October to take your child's individual school photo. More information to follow...

Finally, as part of our Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) project, please ensure that your child has a **coat and wellies** as they will be out in all weathers during break time and lunchtime.

Mr Griffith

Don't forget
parents'
evening!

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

Deer Class visit The Pony



Badger Class visit Cheddar Caves



Deer Class visit East Somerset Railway



Behaviour Policy

We are extremely proud of the children who attend High Littleton Church of England Primary School. Visitors to school often comment about the positive behaviour of the children and that they are a credit to the school. Our Behaviour Management System follows six simple Golden Rules.

Our whole school approach to behaviour includes all children, all staff and all parents. These rules will be followed in class, during lunchtime, in the playground, during Collective Worship and extra-curricular clubs as well as at the beginning and at the end of the school day.

Golden Rules

The following rules will be displayed around the school.

1. We listen; we don't interrupt.
2. We look after property; we don't damage things.
3. We are gentle; we don't hurt others.
4. We work hard, we don't waste time.
5. We are honest; we don't cover up the truth.
6. We are kind and helpful; we don't hurt anybody's feelings.



Sanctions

Sanction 1: Yellow card (name recorded)

Sanction 2: Red Card (name recorded)

Sanction 3: Sent to Key Stage Leader or Deputy Headteacher

Sanction 4: Sent to Headteacher

Sanction 5: Letter/email/phone call to parents

Rewards

Work Together Treat

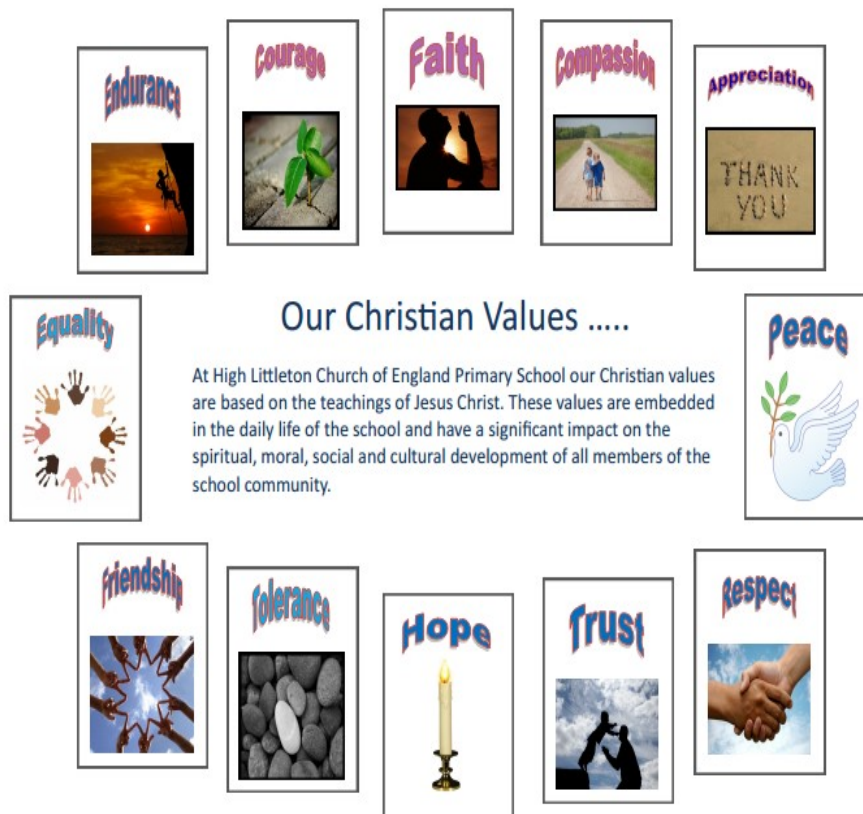
Each class can decide on how many marbles they can collect during the term. At the end of the term, if they have achieved their goal, the class will be awarded a treat. This reinforces the idea of team-work and the need to follow the Golden Rules if they are to be rewarded.

Mr Griffith's Tea Party

At the end of each term, two children from each class will be invited to attend a tea party hosted by Mr Griffith. The decision will be based on which children have been following the Golden Rules. Each child will receive an invitation in the post from Mr Griffith a week before the party takes place. It is also a lovely opportunity for Mr Griffith to spend some quality time with the children!

Christian Vision and Values

The building of friendships and learning how to work and play with others is fundamental to our shared Church School vision. Through our strong Christian ethos, we recognise the importance of supportive relationships at all levels to strengthen resilience and wellbeing, giving our school community the confidence and self-belief to thrive. Combined with inspirational teaching and experiences, we empower each child with an enthusiasm for learning and self-improvement, enabling them to achieve not only their full academic potential, but their own ambitions. Leading by example, we promote a positive, can-do attitude and regard for the environment. Our Christian values and teaching foster a culture of fairness, dignity and respect for others as well as an understanding of faith.



Nut-Free School

To help keep all our children safe, please remember that our school is strictly **nut-free** and **sesame-free**. We have pupils and staff with severe, life-threatening allergies to nuts and sesame seeds. When preparing your child's packed lunch or breaktime snack, please ensure that no items containing nuts or sesame are sent into school. **Please avoid sending:**

- Nuts (e.g., peanuts, almonds, cashews, walnuts)
- Nut-based spreads (e.g., Peanut Butter, Nutella)
- Sesame seeds and sesame products (e.g., hummus, tahini, seeded rolls/crackers)
- Cereal bars or baked goods containing nuts or sesame

Even tiny traces or airborne particles can trigger a serious allergic reaction. Thank you so much for your support and vigilance in keeping our school community safe!

Taekwondo success

Last week saw Rafe (Robins) represented WMAC GB & England at the WMAC World Championships in Dornbirn, Austria, competing against 1,800 athletes from 37 countries. Rafe won three medals (one silver and two bronze medals), narrowly missing out on a further two podium finishes. Congratulation RAfe on your hard work!



In other news...

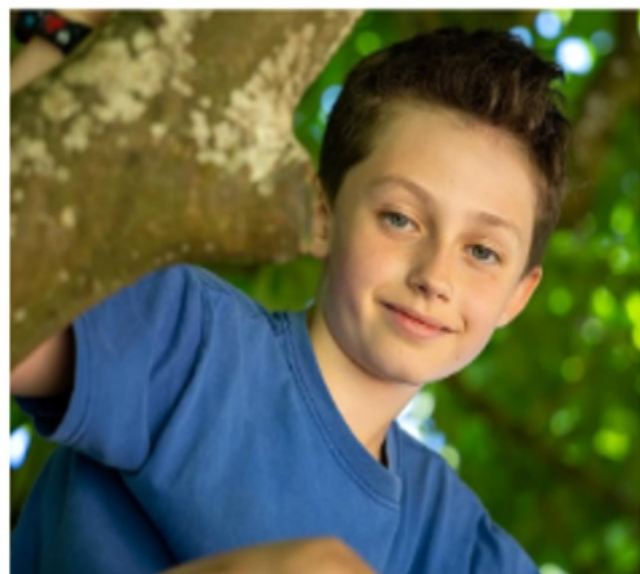
Harvest Service: Next Friday afternoon, 2nd October, we will be visiting Holy Trinity Church for our annual Harvest Service which will be led by Rev. Pitt. The service will begin at 2.00pm. Please note that although this is a whole school service, not all year groups will be participating. This year the service will include items by children in Otter and Robin classes.

Bath Spa Student: This week we have welcomed Miss Ella Kendrew and Miss Lauren Mabley to our school as they embark on a potential career as teachers. Miss Kendrew and Miss Mabley will be working in Badger and Otter classes respectively.

Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns regarding a child, please contact either Mr Griffith or Mr Gunning who are our Designated and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads.

**HIGH LITTLETON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL
OPEN MORNING
Tuesday, 10th November 2026
9:30am-12pm**



**Are you looking for your child to start school in September 2027?
We are opening our doors to prospective parents so that you can come
and see what goes on at High Littleton Primary School.
No appointments necessary.**

Thought of the Week

'That is why we never give up. Though our bodies are dying, our spirits are being renewed every day. For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever!' (1 Corinthians 4: 16-17)



At the start of a brand new school year, it seems appropriate to review some of the values that we all hold dear to us. Lots of schools have values that embody their vision and ethos. Some examples are love, hope, forgiveness, perseverance and courage.

A less common value in schools is agility, but it is still important. Agility is very closely linked with perseverance and forgiveness. To be agile, we need to learn to forgive ourselves if we get it wrong and if we are

agile learners, we will persevere even when things seem difficult.

Today's verse is all about being agile, because it reminds us never to give up. Whenever we face something difficult in our lives, we can choose to knock it on the head and call it a day or we can demonstrate and exercise agility and see it through.

For many of us, as we move towards our twilight years, it can often be harder to keep pushing forward and taking on new challenges can seem like just too much. When we were younger, we may have had more energy to manage new things or could stay up later so as to cope with the extra workload. As we get older, we can often notice the strain more readily and we find ourselves complaining about being tired all the time, so taking on new ideas and challenges just seem to be out of reach.

For Christians, this is where a helping hand from God can make all the difference. Although we may feel like we're wasting away physically, we can be soaring spiritually, because of God's input everyday. Often this is why prayer and the Bible are so important to Christians, because this is where they get refuelled and renewed. This is where the difficulties and troubles we face can pale into insignificance when "weighed up" against the might of an eternal God.

If you are facing a difficult situation this week, I hope and pray that it will get resolved. And if you are taking on a new challenge, remember to exercise agility. If you need to, take some time out to gather yourself together and to renew yourself. But afterwards commit to carrying on and be determined not to give up.





**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
07789997375**

j.mctiernan@progressive-sports.co.uk

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:

Owl	99.6%
Hedgehog	97%
Fox	98.1%
Badger	98.7%
Otter	98.8%
Robins	96.9%
Deer	94.9%
Total	97.6%



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

Follow us on Instagram high_littleton for the latest news and information about the school.



Dates for your Diaries 2024-2025

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.

Family Support & Inclusion Day

Come together, find support, and see what's out there for your family



Family Support & Inclusion Day - for parents, carers and professionals

 Wednesday 14th October 2026

 Doors are open from 9:30am - 7pm, join us at any time

 Apex City of Bath Hotel
James Street West, Bath, BA1 2DA

Ever wondered what support is out there for your family? Not sure where to start or who to talk to?

Come along, meet the teams and hear more from services

Pre-book your place or just drop in on the day!



Scan here for more information and to find updates on the event
banespcf.co.uk/event/family-support-inclusion-day



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