

HIGH LITTLETON

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday, 10th October 2025



Headteacher's Update

Online Safety: Please, please, please can I urge you as parents and carers to ensure that you know what your child is doing whilst they are online. It is becoming increasingly difficult to manage children's behaviours and emotions, especially when children tell us how long they spend on phones, tablets and games consoles. Many children that we speak to tell us that they are either playing games which are inappropriate or are accessing apps and websites which are not recommended for their ages.

Staffing: I am pleased to inform you that Miss Wheeler will be returning to school following her maternity leave at the beginning of Term 2. Although there are another two weeks before the end of term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Lisa Kidd for all her hard work and dedication as Hedgehog Class teacher in Miss Wheeler's absence. I am sure you would like to join me in wishing Mrs Kidd the very best of luck for the future.

School Council: Our second election of the new academic year took place last week, when our new School Council were elected. Two children from each class are chosen through a democratic process and I can now confirm that those School Councillors are: Louis and Perrie (Owl), Daisy and Johnny (Hedgehog), Ronnie and Summer (Fox), Henry and Astrid (Badger), Avianna and Martha (Otter), Thora and Noah (Robin) as well as Callie and Olivia (Deer).

OPAL: Following the departure of Mrs York at the end of the last academic year, I am delighted to inform you that we have recruited Miss Pitchford as our new OPAL Lead. Miss Pitchford already works at school as a Teaching Assistant and she will now add a new string to her bow as she gets to grips with developing and enhancing our playtimes. Alongside her, we have also recruited twelve keen individuals as OPAL Rangers, who will support Miss Pitchford. They are: Zander, Evie, Sienna, Poppy (Badger), Freya, Jonah, Scarlet, Samuel (Otter), Stig, Connor, Lily and Blu (Robin) as well as Dorothy, Elliot, Noah and Beatrice (Deer).

Wellies and Coats: 'There's no such thing as bad weather; just bad clothing'. As part our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) project, we are keen for the children to be outside playing in all weathers. Therefore, with the autumn and winter months around the corner, we would like the children to come to school

equipped with a pair of **named wellies** and a **coat** (preferably an old waterproof coat). This will allow the children to use the whole of our outdoor area all the time.

OPAL resources: We are currently reviewing our OPAL resources and I have attached a list within the body of this newsletter. Please find a list of loose parts that we are trying to collect for the children to use during play time and lunchtime. If you are able to help with sourcing any of these items, we would appreciate your help.

Have a great weekend.

Mr Griffith

Online Safety





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PEGI 12

Games with a PEGI 12 rating are suitable for ages 12 and above. 16

PEGI 16

Games with a PEGI 16 rating are suitable for ages 16 and above.

They may have:

violence of a slightly graphic nature involving fantasy characters

suggestive activities or language

gambling

mild bad language

They may have:

violence and adult content that looks like real life

bad language

scenes demonstrating the use of tobacco, alcohol or illegal substances

For example:

Sims

Fortnite

Dragon Ball FighterZ

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate

For further information regarding the video game age restrictions mentioned in this resource, please see the official PEGI website.

For example:

Marvel's Avengers

Battlefield 2042

Halo Infinite

Marvel's Spider-Man



Year 5 and 6 Cross Country

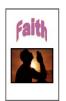
Congratulations to all our Year 5 and 6 runners who took part in the BANES Cross Country event which took place last Wednesday, 1st October. The children's behaviour was exemplary and their commitment to running the 1.5km course was excellent. I was delighted to hear the news that in the combined events, our Year 5 girls finished in 3rd place - well done everyone!



Christian Values













Our Christian Values

At High Littleton Church of England Primary School our Christian values are based on the teachings of Jesus Christ. These values are embedded in the daily life of the school and have a significant impact on the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of all members of the school community.













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, fools gold, mini dinosaurs etc

HIGH LITTLETON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

OPEN MORNING

Tuesday, 11th November 2025 9:30am-12pm













Are you looking for your child to start school in September 2026?

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.



Diary Dates

Here is an overview of calendar dates for term 1. More details will follow.

Date	Event	
14th October	Individual and Sibling Photos	All
14th October	Parents' Evening	
16th October	Parents' Evening	All
22nd October	PTA Spooky Baking Competition and Cake Sale	All
23rd October	Last day of term 1	
24th October	Inset Day 3	
3rd November	Term 2 begins	AII

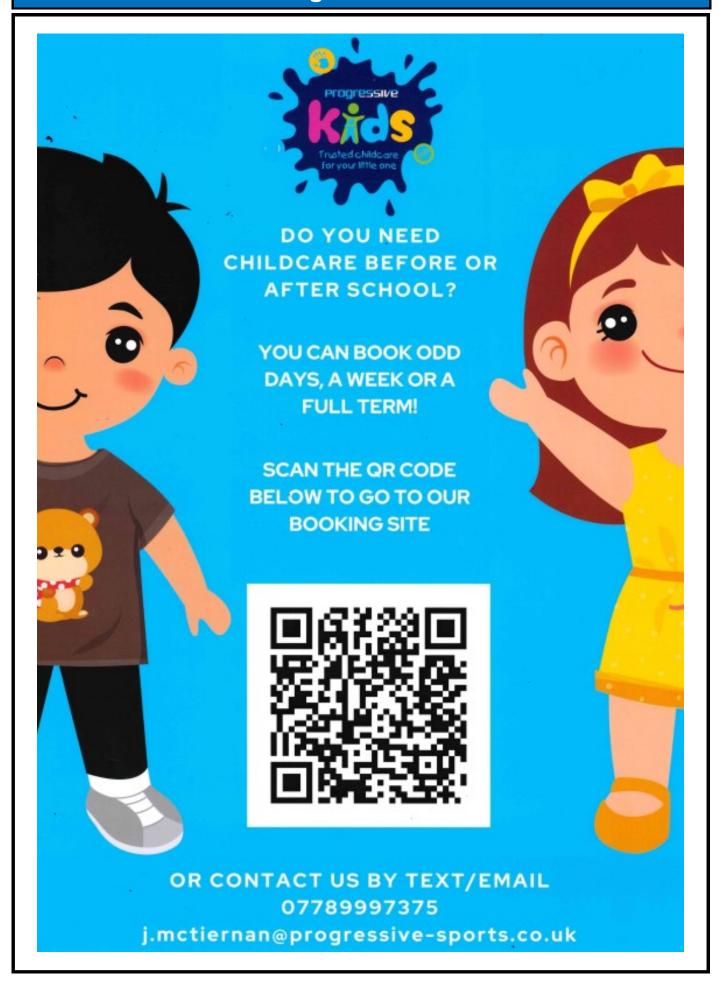


Nut-Free School

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



Golden Rules



We are gentle



We are kind and helpful



We listen



We are honest



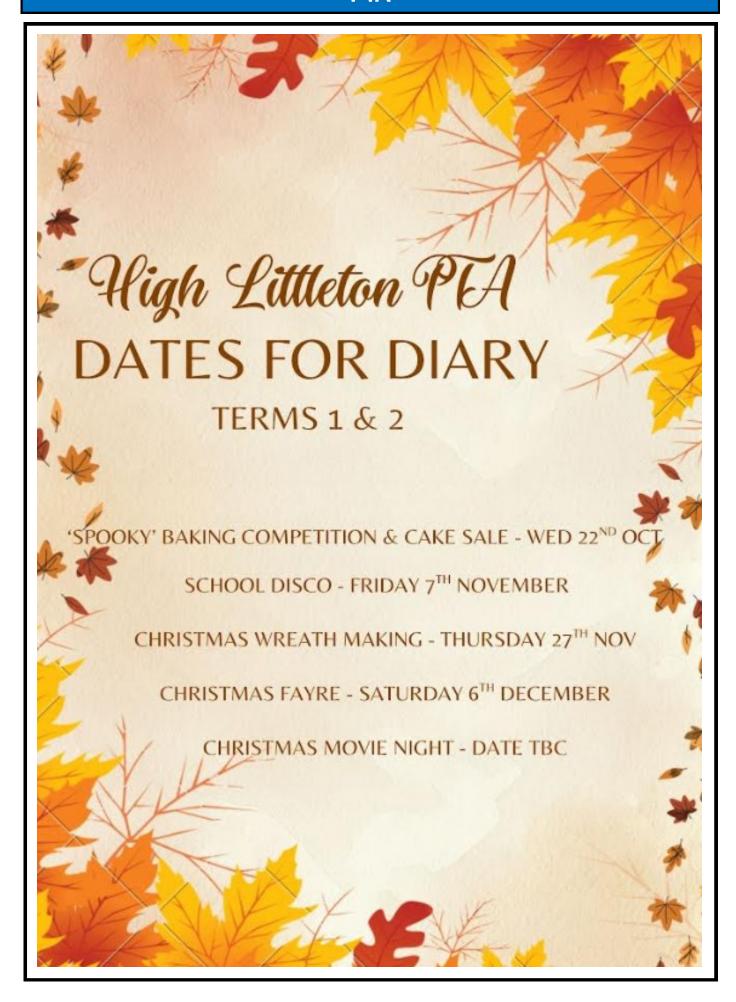
We work hard



We look after property



Positive Press



Attendance

Please see below attendance for each class:

Owl	98.2%
Hedgehog	98.4%
Fox	99.1%
Badger	98.5%
Otter	98.5%
Robins	98.4%
Deer	96.3%
Total	98.2%



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.







Greyfield Wood, High Littleton



Halloween Forest Crafts - Thursday 30th October

Fairy Tale Survival Skills - Friday 31st October

10am - 3pm £35 p/child p/day £25 p/sibling p/day





















The B&NES Specialist Autism Support Service (SASS) is a team of specialist practitioners aiming to empower education colleagues, families and young people across B&NES to access the most appropriate support and information.

Our range of Padlets



with supporting resources and information

www.padlet.com/SASSBathnes

Our SASS Helpline

every Wednesday morning 9am-12pm 01761 412198 Training for professionals

including Autism
Education Trust (AET)
training; so that staff
supporting your child can
access updated support
and information

Parent/Carer Coffee Mornings

led by SASS team members at Longfellow's Cafe, BA3 3A - see the dates <u>here</u>



Sharing of resources

including our <u>SASS</u> <u>Specialist Guide for</u> <u>Education Settings</u>



sass choir whole family welcome!
See our flyer here

Universal Level Support available through SASS for families

this support can always be accessed, even if a referral for targeted/specialist support for a young person has not been accepted*

Supportive School / Setting Audits

Using the AET
Standards Framework
see our audit
resources here

Regular newsletters

including best practice updates, new resources... and more

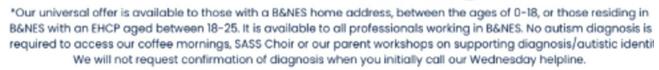
https://padlet.com/SASS Bathnes/newsletter



Training for parents/carers

including

<u>Cygnet</u> training our training overviews
can be found here





For information about training and events, and one-page profiles of the team members, please visit: https://padlet.com/sassBathnes/Updates

Where support to implement best practice regarding autism and SEND is required, please also consider contacting the Inclusion and SEND Advice Service: https://www.bathnes.gov.uk/inclusion-and-send-advice-service



Little muckers is a friendly farm themed playgroup where your little ones can enjoy-

- Lots of tractor fun
- Small world play
- Tractor ride ons
- Market stalls
- 🚜 Special events meet our chicks 🐣

Much more to explore!

Location- High Littleton scout hall BS396JD

Every Monday & Thursday

10 - 11:30am

Great for ages 4 and under!

FREE tea and coffee with a biscuit

Find us on Facebook and instagram. Book online through the link on our page, thank you!

