

HIGH STEET PRIMARY ACADEMY

Newsletter

3rd
October
2025

A Message From Our Head Teacher



It has been another wonderful week at High Street with lots of excellent learning in every class. The focus of our pupils is just amazing, and staff are really struggling to pick out just one 'curriculum star' certificate winner each week. We have so many exciting things planned this term. I spoke with the staff team this morning to thank them for caring so much about opportunities to support their pupils; Jess is taking Y2 off for a walk on Wednesday next week and then has planned a visit with a Cartographer (map maker) to really engage the pupils with their map/local area unit. Joe has arranged for a ceramics specialist to come in next week to work with the Y4 pupils to make their Roman pots – what an amazing opportunity! How lucky are our pupils to have such dedicated teachers?

Can I please take this opportunity to remind you that our school day starts at 8.55am which is why we close the gate at 8.50am. Some of our families arrive at the gate at 8.50am which then means pupils are late getting to class for registration. The gate is open from 8.35am so please aim to arrive then or soon after for your children to arrive on class on time.

I am really excited to see some of you next Friday for our very first 'tea and talk' session at HSPA. It is World Mental Health day on the 10th and we invite you to come into the school site/classrooms for a drink and a piece of cake. The session starts at 2.30pm.

Have the best of weekends,

Steph Macdonald



SAFEGUARDING EVERYBODY EVERYDAY

Here is a reminder of our local family hubs available:



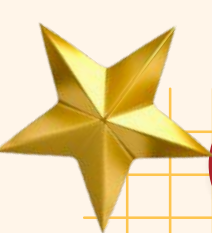
Green Ark Family Hub

Green Ark Family Hub is run by Action for Children



Manor Street Family Hub

Manor Street Family Hub is run by Action for Children



Our Winners...



CURRICULUM STARS

Year One: Zain

Year Four: Ellie-Mai

Year Five: Mustafa

Year Six: Alex



GOLDEN TICKETS

Year One: Levi

Year Two: Bono

Year Three: Milo

Year Five: Jessica & Aurora

Year Six: Zack



ATTENDANCE

Our winners this week are:

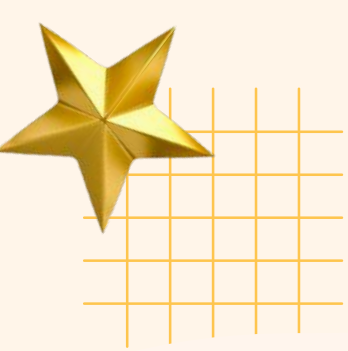
Year Four

with 95.11%

Well done Year Four!!!

Whole school : 92.65%





Pupil Voice



RECEPTION



This week Reception have been exploring emotions, and healthy ways to manage them, through our key text Ravi's Roar! The children have been making wonderful suggestions for what helps them to feel calm when they are cross or overwhelmed and have been using some fantastic vocabulary! It has been great seeing the children practicing their blending skills for early reading in their outdoor play too, well done Reception!

YEAR ONE

Year 1 have been very busy this week, in English we have been creating Lost posters to help find Dogger! In Maths we have been looking at one more and one less. Year 1 have shown some great focus with Art this week. We have been using our observations to add colour to our self-portraits. They are looking amazing, and I cannot wait to see the finished self-portraits next week when we add symbols to represent our interests.



Pupil Voice

YEAR TWO

Year 2 pupils were particularly excited this week when the sewing needles came out and we began to look at how to create a basic running stitch; some children even developed further by moving onto cross stitch. This was all in preparation for them to create a small patterned patch to add to our class duvet in DT, inspired by Pauline Burbige's quilts! The resilience and focus in the classroom during this session was immense! Well done Year 2!



YEAR THREE

This week in Year 3, we've been getting ready to create our own cave paintings, based on our lives. We've practised using charcoal to mimic existing cave paintings, and we've thought about what images might best represent our own lives and interests. We've also written an exciting narrative about a child who travels back in time to the Stone Age. Looking forward to next week!



Pupil Voice

YEAR FOUR

The Year 4s have worked hard this week to complete important baseline assessments and we can now see where we need focus our efforts across Maths and English to make great progress across the next term. We have also revised food chains in science and investigated what Roman developments are still seen in Britain today – it turns out we would not have stinging nettles without the Romans! Please continue to practise at home on TTRS and log all reading on Boomreader.



YEAR FIVE

This week, Year 5 have been working hard, writing their own versions of the traditional Anglo-Saxon myth, Beowulf. They have clearly enjoyed themselves and the quality of writing has been brilliant! I have loved reading their enthusiastic (and delightfully gory!) descriptive writing. Well done to several hard-working children who have also earned their pen licenses this week for their consistently neat, joined-up handwriting.





Pupil Voice



YEAR SIX



Year 6 have been busily preparing research for their Amazon information texts. These will be collated and presented in the library for the whole of High Street to read. This has also informed the geography we have done this week as we looked at animal adaptations in the Amazon. Did you know the jaguar is the largest cat in all the Americas?

This week – for home learning – please can the children be encouraged to practise their maths (Topic 1 Maths revision on SATS bootcamp) and read and log on Boom reader.



Wonderful!



Reading



Next week is Library week! We will be inviting you in after school to come and have a look around our library, share some stories and take home a book to borrow.

A flyer will be sent home today with all the information.

This week's top readers are:

Year One- Chloe, Selin & Zain

Year Two- Rayyan & Issac

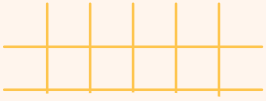
Year Three- Melody-Rae

Year Four- Leia

Year Five – Junior K, Rani, Aurora & Luna

Year Six – Jason, Raymond, Ilan & Raniya





SCHOOL EVENTS

Please check here for any upcoming school events, we will include the year group and any information you may need.

We will also send emails, letters and flyers with any details.

We would encourage all parents to add our Facebook page as we regularly update this with messages:

“High Street Primary Academy”

Here are our upcoming events this term:

**Noel’s Bag of Numbers – 1pm-3pm 01.10.25 - running for 4 weeks
(see flyer below)**

**Library Week - 06.10.25 - 10.10.25
(See flyer below)**

Y2 - Local walk & Cartographer visit - 08.10.25

**World Mental Health Day/Tea & Talk – 10.10.25
(see the flyer below about our Tea & Talk event)**

Nasal Flu Vaccinations – 14.10.25

Y1 Millfield's Inspired Trip – 14.10.25

Y2 Dental School visit – 20.10.25

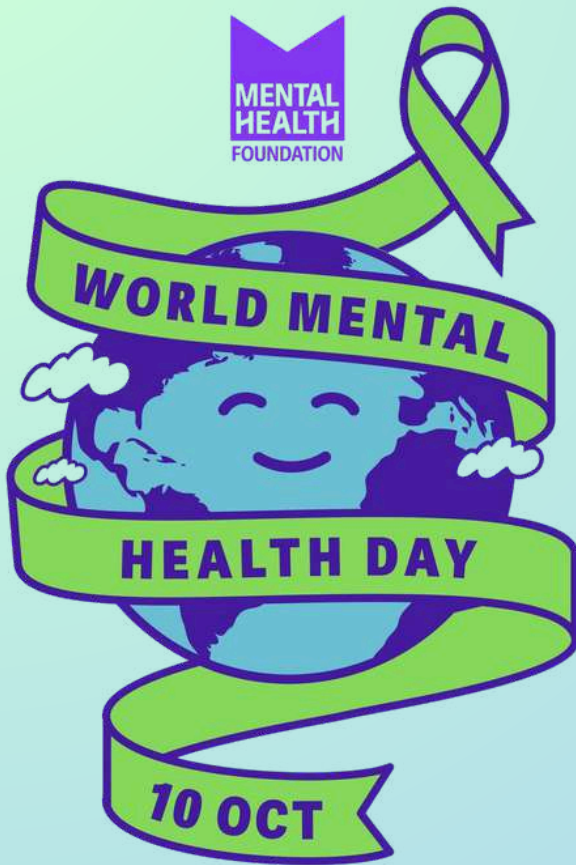
Y5 Widening Horizons/KARST 'Remember Nature' sessions- 23.10.25

Last day of Term 24.10.25

Half Term – 27.10.25 - 31.10.25

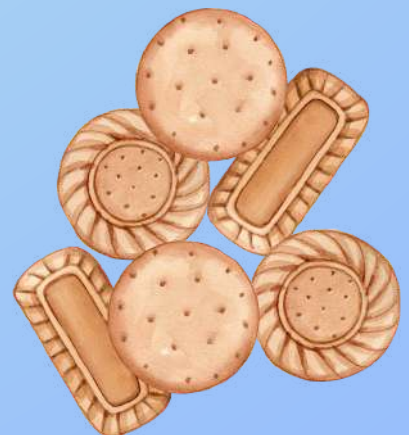
First Day of Term – 03.11.25





FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2025
2.30PM - 3.30PM

Join your child in class for cake, biscuits and conversations as we recognise and support Mental World Health Day. A session designed to encourage conversations to support mental health and reduce stigma.





LIBRARY WEEK

Monday 6th October - Friday 10th October 2025

3.45pm - 4.15pm



We invite families to come and visit the library, look around and borrow a book. Please see below the dates for your child's class:

Monday 6th Oct - Year 1 & Year 2

Tuesday 7th Oct - Year 3 & Year 6

Thursday 9th Oct - Year 4 & Year 5

Friday 10th Oct - Reception





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ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A PRIMARY SCHOOL?

High Street Primary School is a popular and successful primary school located in Plymouth's historic Stonehouse region. It was founded in 1894 and enjoys an extremely positive reputation in the community. The staff here are committed to providing a strong family atmosphere, and to making sure the children feel safe and cared for.

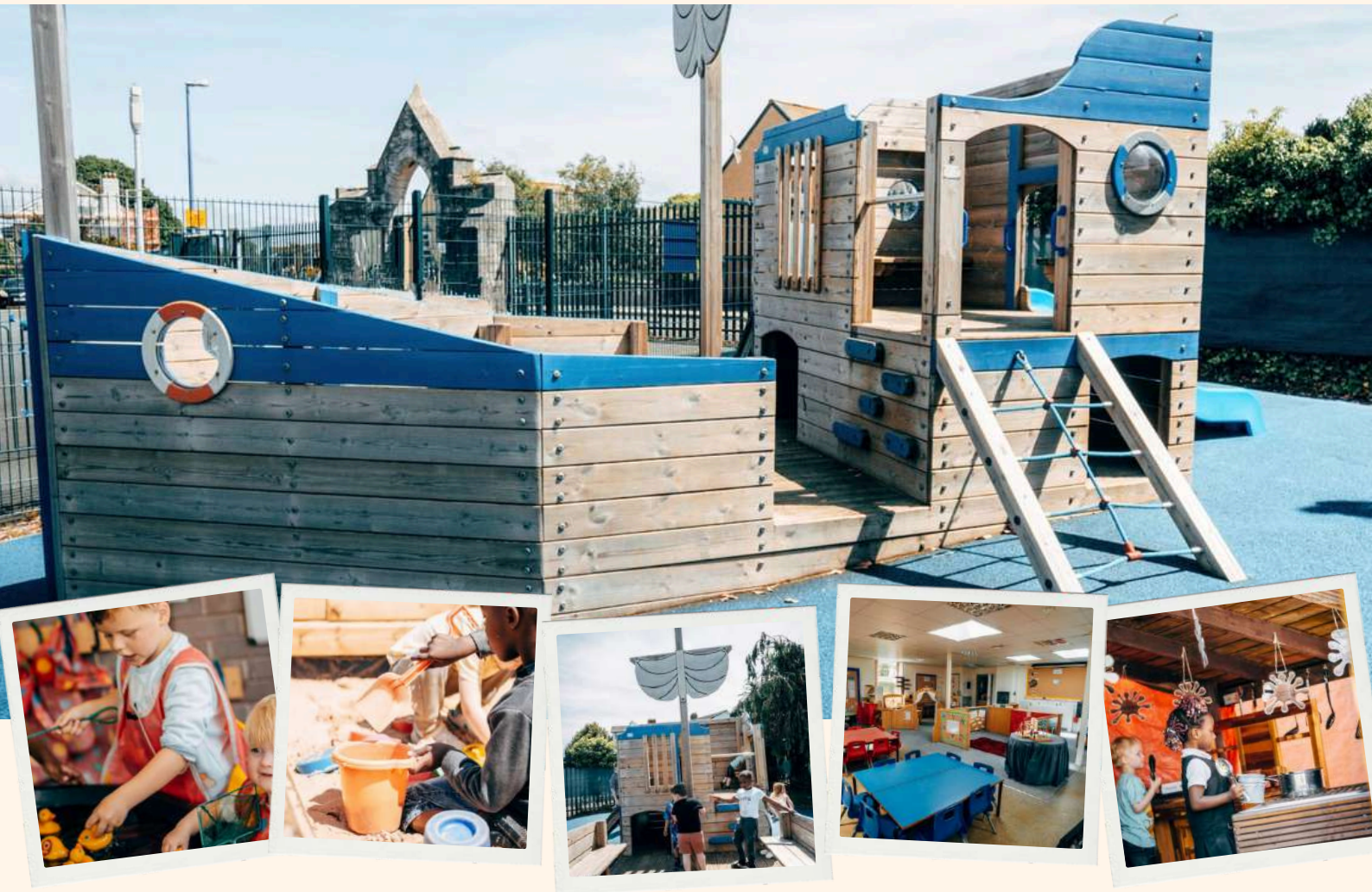


[CALL US TODAY TO BOOK A TOUR](#)



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IS YOUR CHILD AGED 2-4 YEARS OLD? ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT NURSERY PLACEMENTS?

Did you know High Street Primary Academy has a Nursery?
Our dedicated team is passionate about helping your child
grow and thrive.

We have fully funded and private spaces available from two
years old. Offering both morning and afternoon sessions
during the academic year.

CALL US TODAY





BIG SIS 13 ADVENTURES FOR YOU

Calling all girls 11-13!

FREE PROGRAMME
Every Monday
5-6.45pm

We'll run a programme just for girls on Mondays at Devonport Live **NOVEMBER-FEBRUARY**.

Join us for **13 fun sessions** during autumn & winter.

““ I treat myself more positive, like I CAN DO THIS! ““
-Ivy, 11

““ It is inspiring and helps you overcome worries. ““
-Summer, 13

What do we get up to?

GOOD FRIENDSHIPS & RELATIONSHIPS

FUN ARTS & CRAFTS

MAKE BODY SCRUBS

LEARN SELF CARE TOOLS

FEEL STRONG & CONFIDENT

SELF-DEFENSE (KARATE)

BEADING BRACELETS

SNACKS & MORE



PARENTS NEED TO REGISTER:

