

HIGH STEET PRIMARY ACADEMY

Newsletter

24th
October
2025

A Message From Our Head Teacher



We have made it to the end of a very long term! Usually, school terms are six weeks, but we have had seven and a half this term, and speaking with many of you on the gate, I think it's safe to say we are all feeling very tired and ready for the holiday. On behalf of all at High Street, I would like to wish you a happy and safe week away from school – we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday the 3rd of November.

We have lots to look forward to in Term Two. We are in school from Monday 3.11.25 - Thursday 18.12.25 (Friday the 19th is a school training day, and we are closed to pupils). Within this term we have some special assemblies for pupils, Children in Need activities planned, the Y6 residential, the KS1 play and many more events planned! Make sure you look at our 'dates' section of the newsletter to stay up to date with all of the wonderful things that are happening.

We have a few staff announcements to make as we come to the end of this term; we welcome the lovely Jess (Y5 TA) who has joined us officially this week. We also have a change to the YR and Y2 class provision, with Mrs Williams moving from our reception class to support Year Two – we will then have a new EYFS TA starting with us in January and will update you once we have recruited to the role.

Have the very best of holidays,
Steph Macdonald



Pupil Voice



NURSERY



Our focus in nursery this week has been developing the children's fine motor skills; to enable them to have good pen hold. This will help children develop the right skills to create marks on paper.

The children have enjoyed a range of activities to help with this. One of the children's favourite activities was exploring pumpkins using golf tees and small wooden hammers. They also enjoyed making marks on paper using paint and cotton buds.

RECEPTION

In reception this week we have been reading the story 'The Three Little pigs'.

The children had a wonderful time building their own houses made out of straw, sticks and bricks and taking in turns to "huff and puff and blow their houses down". We have also been working hard in drawing club creating our own characters and settings and practising our letter formation independently.



Pupil Voice

YEAR ONE

In Year 1 this week we have been busy writing short descriptions in English. These have been wonderful to read allowing the children to create a creature using their imagination. We were also lucky to have a visitor in our class this week. A lady from Kier construction came to read the children a story and gifted them each with their own copy of the book. The children really enjoyed finding out about the different things Kier build. The children have also been very excited to find out about the winter show Year 1 and Year 2 will be performing at the end of term 2. More details to come very soon.



YEAR TWO

And so, we hit the last week before half term – not that you would believe it from the work that the children are producing!

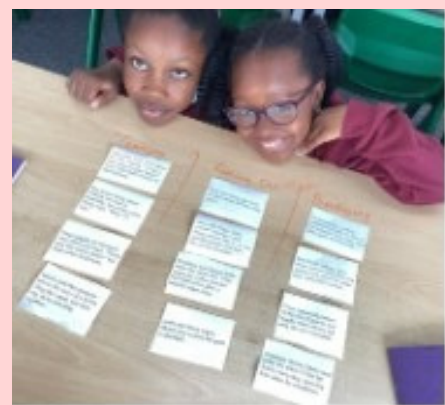
There have been some very convincing prove-it's in Science and Geography and the information text about Plymouth that they are currently writing really does showcase some of their learning from this term! However, the highlight for this week, was probably the visit we had from the Dental Nurse – who reminded children of the importance of brushing teeth! Have they used their new toothbrush and timer yet?



Pupil Voice

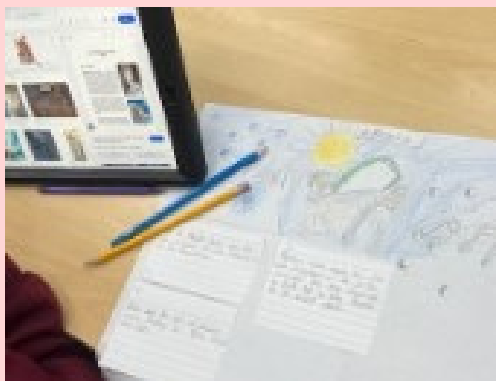
YEAR THREE

This week, Year 3 have written exciting Kennings poems about Halloween creatures! They've also tackled issues like the differences between bullying, teasing and falling out, and shown great understanding that these are often separate issues. We're already looking forward to getting back in next term and starting our learning on weather and light!

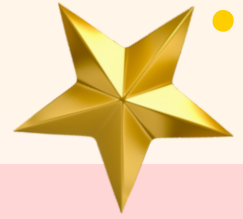


YEAR FOUR

This week has seen the culmination of a term of learning where we have learned about the digestive system, the impact the Roman invasion had on Britain and practised our pottery skills using real clay and a professional firing process. We have completed three writing units across English and finished off by creating a fact file about who we believed was the most important Roman god. We have made some big strides in our times table fluency this term, so let's keep up the brilliant TTRS practise and log all reading on Boomreader. Have a super half term break!



Pupil Voice



YEAR FIVE

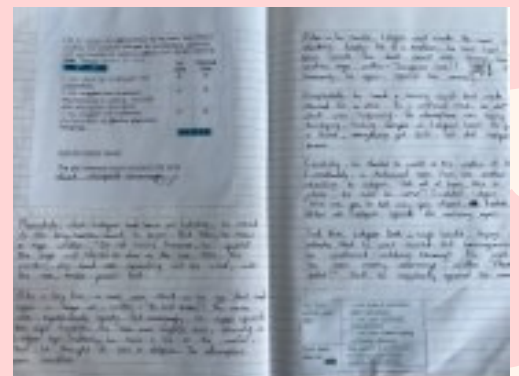


This week in Year 5 we have been talking about what our school values are, how we can be safe offline /online and the importance of being kind to one and another. In our computing lesson I was blown away with everyone's ability to write tips and tricks to keep everyone safe offline and online.

In P.E this week we had fun getting the parachute out and playing lots of different games such as cat and mouse.

YEAR SIX

What a strong end to term 1. The writing the year 6's created today was fantastic. I've attached a picture to show the quality but please note, this quality was seen across the class. We've also seen great progress with the maths this week, many students energised at the fact they are beating their old scores on SATS boot camp. All in all, a positive end to a productive half term. It was also great seeing so many of you today for the residential meeting. If you couldn't make it. Please contact the front desk and a catch up can be arranged. Home learning this week is Maths practise test 4. All the best.




SCHOOL MENU

NEW MENU!!!!

School meals should now be paid through Arbor, you will also be able to choose your child's lunch if you wish to.

Orders will also be taken from your child at the start of the school day.



WEEK 1

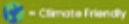
W/C: MONDAY 3RD NOV, 24TH NOV, 15TH DEC, 19TH JAN, 9TH FEB, 9TH MARCH, 30TH MARCH


MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOICE 1 - H, V Macaroni cheese with garlic bread and veg Allergens: Glu, Wh, Mu, Mi m/c Se	CHOICE 1 - H Potato topped chicken pie served with veg Allergens: Glu Wh Ce Mi m/c Bar	CHOICE 1 - H Sausage and mashed potato served with veg and gravy Allergens: Glu Wh	CHOICE 1 - H Roast chicken served with roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding veg and gravy Allergens: Glu Wh E Mi	CHOICE 1 - W Youngs fish fingers served with fresh chips or wholemeal pasta and veg Allergens: Glu Wh F
CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE Vegan chilli with rice and veg Allergens: So	CHOICE 2 - H, V Broccoli and potato bake served with veg Allergens: Glu Wh Mi	CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE Vegan meatballs in a tomato sauce with pasta and veg Allergens: Glu Wh So	CHOICE 2 - H, V, VE Homemade bean cottage pie served with roast potatoes and veg	CHOICE 2 - H, V, W Cheese and tomato quiche with fresh chips or wholemeal pasta and veg Allergens: Glu Wh E Mi
SELECTION OF JACKET POTATOES ARE AVAILABLE EACH DAY: BEANS / CHEESE (MI) / TUNA MAYONNAISE (F E) OR A HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE WITH PASTA (For the full allergy information, please refer to our webpage or check with your school)				
DESSERT - H, V Pear flapjack Allergens: Glu, O	DESSERT - H, V Chocolate shortbread Allergens: Glu Wh Mi m/c Bar	DESSERT - H, V, VE Fruit platter	DESSERT - H, V, VE Custard biscuit and fruit slices Allergens: Glu Wh	DESSERT - H, V Apple crumble and custard Allergens: Glu Wh O Mi m/c Bar
AVAILABLE EVERY DAY: FRESH SALAD / FRESH FRUIT AND YOGHURT				

Fresh fruit, local Westcountry yoghurt available daily. Fresh drinking water is available throughout the lunch time period. All meals served with seasonal vegetables. Chicken alternatives to beef and pork upon request. One meat free day.

H = HOME-MADE IN THE KITCHEN, W = WHOLE WHEAT INGREDIENTS, VE = VEGAN DISH, V = VEGETARIAN.

Allergen Key: Gluten [G], Dairy [D], Eggs [E], Nuts [N], Soy [S], Sesame [Se], Peanuts [P], Mustard [M], Molluscs [Mo], Milk [M], Nuts [N], Eggs [E], Crustaceans [C], Celery [Ce], Fish [F], Lupin [L], m/c May Contain

 = Climo Friendly



DID YOU KNOW
You can have mixed or brown rice instead of potatoes!

Tilda



yummy

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:

Half Term : 27.10.25 - 31.10.25

First Day of Term Two : 03.11.25

Y5 - Trip to Art University : 04.11.25

Y2 Walkwise : 04.11.25 - 18.11.25

Remembrance Assembly : 11.11.25

Y5 KARST Exhibition : 14.11.25

Children in need : 14.11.25

Residential Trip : 24.11.25 - 28.11.25

Individual photo Day : 26.11.25

Y5 & Y2 - Fire Service Visit : 02.12.25

Winter Fayre : 17.12.25





HIGH STREET PRIMARY ACADEMY 2025-26 TERM DATES

	September 25					October 25					November 25					December 25				
Monday	1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	
Wednesday	3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	
Thursday	4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25		
Friday	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26		

	January 26					February 26					March 26					April 26				
Monday		5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27	
Tuesday		6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28	
Wednesday		7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29		
Thursday	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30		
Friday	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24			

	May 26					June 26					July 26					August 26				
Monday		4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	31
Tuesday		5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	
Wednesday		6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	20	5	12	19	26		
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Friday	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28		

Public Holiday
 School Holiday
 School Inset Day

Term	No. of Pupil Days
Autumn 1	37
Autumn 2	34
Spring 1	29
Spring 2	29
Summer 1	24
Summer 2	35
Total:	188



PE SWAP

TERM TWO



WE WILL BE SWITCHING PE FOR YEARS 1
& 2 WITH YEAR 3 FOR TERM TWO ONLY

YEAR 3 WILL HAVE PE ON TUESDAY
AND
YEAR 1 & 2 WILL HAVE PE ON FRIDAYS

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD WEARS
THEIR PE KIT TO SCHOOL ON THE DAY
SET ABOVE



WE WILL RETURN TO THE USUAL
SCHEDULE IN JANUARY





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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:

