

This week's  
whole school  
attendance  
rate is 96%

*Enabling children to be the best that they can be!*

# HORWOOD AND NEWTON TRACEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Friday 13th June 2025



Dear parents and carers,



This week the children have been finalising their preparations for sports day. The whole school went to the field to run through the running order of events for their family groups activities and practice their individual races. We plan to start our sports day at 1pm when the children will take part in their family group team events. Parents are welcome to follow their children around the range of activities that provide the children with opportunities to use a range of skills they have been developing in the PE lessons across the year. After that the classes will take part in individual races on our marked running track, scoring points for their team. We hope

you can join us on Tuesday afternoon for a 1pm start, weather permitting. Currently the weather is looking dry for Tuesday afternoon but if there are any changes, we will email parents on Tuesday morning. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

## Visitors for assembly at HNT

We have had two lovely visits from Rev Gary and Stuart Fuller who lead our assemblies this week. On Tuesday, Rev Gary shared the story of the Pentecost with the children and the importance of believing and following what is right, making the right choices. On Wednesday afternoon, Stuart Fuller shared what life was like as a young boy who attended Horwood and Newton Tracey Primary. The children were fascinated to hear what life was like for children in our school over 70 years ago and compare that to the experiences they have at school. A huge thank you to all our visitors who help to bring learning to life for our children.



## Congratulations to our netball team

A huge well done to all the children who have engaged in our after-school netball club this year. On Tuesday this week, the children participated in a TEAMS netball tournament, playing against other schools across the trust. Their impressive team work and dedication paid off and they won the tournament winning each one of the games they played. A massive thank you to Sam for leading our netball after school club and Mrs Hopkins for co-ordinating transport and supervising the event.



## New online payment system in Arbor

Thank you to all our parents for fully embracing our new online payment system on Arbor. We would also like to thank you for your patience and understanding as we transitioned, all issues have now been resolved. This week, any remaining balances on Parentpay meal accounts were transferred over to Arbor meal accounts. Parents were notified of any transfers taking place.

## Space Dome

Next Wednesday, each class will be visiting the Space Dome in the Village Hall. Thank you to those parents who have already paid for this session through Arbor. Please can we ask that any outstanding payments of £2.88 are paid by the end of the day on Monday. Thank you for your understanding.



## Bikeability Forms

This half term, children in year 4 and 6 will be taking part in our Bikeability scheme. Links to the online parent consent forms have been emailed to parents earlier this week. Please do let us know if you need support with organising bikes for your child/ren. The online link to the parent consent form has been shared below:

## Impact on 'Smart Start' to our mornings

This year we introduced smart starts to our morning routines for all the children across the school. Our smart starts take place first thing in the morning from 8:50-9:15am everyday and are used to consolidate previous learning on introduce a small task to support children with learning they will be covering in class on that day. We also use this time to lead small group interventions with teaching assistants or class teachers. These interventions have been carefully timetabled to support your child/ren with their learning. Please can we ask that all children are in school by 9am, which will enable us to start our day promptly.



Thank you for your lovely emails and treats for the staffroom following our OFSTED report we shared with our parents at the end of last week.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend,

*Mrs Cook*





# What's on...?

## W/C 16th June 2025



### Monday

- Breakfast Club 7.45am or 8.25am to 9.00am

### Tuesday

- Breakfast Club 7.45am or 8.25am to 9.00am
- Sports Day - 1pm to 3.30pm - please come to school in PE kits
- Year 3: PE (PM) please come to school wearing your PE kit.

### Wednesday

- Breakfast Club 7.45am or 8.25am to 9.00am
- Class 2: PE please come to school wearing your PE kit.
- Space Dome workshops - please ensure you have booked and paid for your child on your Arbor account
- Park & GTS Team transitions - during the school day

### Thursday

- Breakfast Club 7.45am or 8.25am to 9.00am
- Nursery: AM Forest School
- Class 1: PM Forest School
- Wave Project - for various children

### Friday

- Breakfast Club 7.45am or 8.25am to 9.00am
- Celebration Assembly at 9:00am in Lovacott Gospel Hall - parents and carers welcome to join us
- TEMPEST photographs - CONSENT required for all children - please email the office to give your permission
- Nursery and Reception: PE (AM) - (PE kit to stay in school to help with learning how to dress and undress).
- School Tuck Shop - bring in up to 50p per child
- Pilton College Team transition - taking place during the school day

### Celebration Assemblies on Fridays

If you are attending our Celebration Assemblies, please ensure that any photographs you take are only of your own child or children and are not shared on the internet or social media platforms. Thank you.



# Future dates for your diary....

| Week 3                               |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Monday 16th June                     |  |
| Tuesday 17th June                    | SPORTS DAY @ 1pm start   |
| Wednesday 18th June                  | Space Dome @ Village Hall  |
| Thursday 19th June                   |  |
| Friday 20th June                     | Class Photos @ Village Hall 1:15 pm - 2:45 pm  |
| Week 4                               |  |
| Monday 23rd June                     | GTS transition week (MON - THUR)   |
| Tuesday 24th June                    | Year 6 Forest School   |
| Wednesday 25th June                  | MOVE UP DAY - TRANSITION   |
| Thursday 26th June                   |  |
| Friday 27th June                     | Whole School Art Day   |
| Week 5<br>WORK EXPERIENCE - 2 pupils |  |
| Monday 30th June                     | Reserved SPORTS DAY DATE   |
| Tuesday 1st July                     | Class 1 and 2 Braunton Burrows<br>Forest School  |
| Wednesday 2nd July                   | Class 4 Braunton Burrows   |
| Thursday 3rd July                    | Class 3 Braunton Burrows   |
| Friday 4th July                      |  |
| Week 6                               |  |
| Monday 7th July                      | Class 3 Residential  |
| Tuesday 8th July                     | Class 3 residential<br>Year 6 Forest School<br>Rev Gary @ 3pm assembly<br>Bikeability - year 6 |
| Wednesday 9th July                   | Bikeability - year 6<br>Book and Biscuit Event - focus ART 2.45pm to 3.30pm                    |
| Thursday 10th July                   | Park School Induction Day  |
| Friday 11th July                     | Part School Induction Day  |
| Week 7                               |  |
| Monday 14th July                     | Dress Rehearsal @ Village Hall am  |
| Tuesday 15th July                    | Bikeability - year 4<br>Space Odyssey @ Exeter - Class 4                                       |
| Wednesday 16th July                  | Bikeability - year 4   |
| Thursday 17th July                   | WHOLE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE @ 2pm and 6pm   |
| Friday 18th July                     |  |
| Week 8                               |  |
| Monday 21st July                     |  |
| Tuesday 22nd July                    | Year 6 Leavers   |



# Lunch menu: W/C Monday 16th June 2025

Our meal price is £2.58 per day for Class 3 and 4 children. Classes 1 and 2 children qualify for Universal Free School Meal funding. Jacket Potatoes with a choice of toppings are available every day. Fresh fruit, salad & wholemeal bread are available daily. Gentle reminder: we are a nut free school.



Tues 03/06, 16/06, 30/06, 14/07

## Menu - Week 1

|               | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday                                       | Friday                                   |
|---------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| Meat/<br>Fish | Cod Fillets or Salmon Fishcakes                     | Sticky Honey Chicken                             | Cheesy Wheels   | Roast Gammon                                   | Ham Panini/Ham Roll                      |
| Vegetarian    | Filled Jacket Potato                                | Veggie Sticky Honey Chicken/Filled Jacket Potato | Filled Jacket Potato                                  | Veggie Burger/Filled Jacket Potato             | Cheese or Tuna Roll/Filled Jacket Potato |
| Side          | Chips/Pasta/Baked Beans/Sweetcorn                   | Rice/Mixed Veg                                   | Potato Wedges/Coleslaw                                | Roast Potatoes/Vegetables/Gravy                | Fruit and Salad Platter                  |
| Dessert       | Chocolate Cake & Chocolate Sauce/Fruit Bowl/Yoghurt | Cherry Shortcake/Fruit Bowl/Yoghurt              | Scotch Pancake & Strawberry Coulis/Fruit Bowl/Yoghurt | Ice Cream & Custard Biscuit/Fruit Bowl/Yoghurt | Australian Crunch/Fruit Bowl/Yoghurt     |

## HNTPS History Corner - taken from our Headteacher log books over the years

### 1932 reasons for punishment of 'knuckles rapped'

- *persistent talking*
- *carelessness in composition*
- *playing during reading*
- *hour late for work*
- *throwing stones*
- *disobedience*
- *throwing each other's caps on roof*
- *stealing apples*
- *bullying a little boy*



# What have we been learning in class this week?

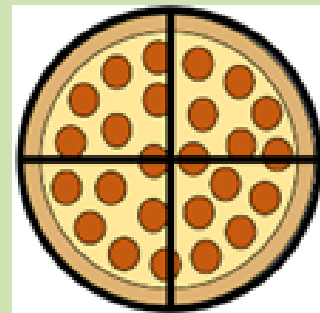
## Foundation Stage Class (Nursery & Class 1)

It looks like summer is here in the foundation class. We have been writing about summer and enjoying our play in our outdoor provision.



## Class 2

This week in our English lessons the children have created their own 'story maps' to help support the retelling of the story and organising key events. In our maths learning, the children have carried out an assessment to consolidate their topic on money and we have begun exploring our new topic on fractions of shapes and money this week.



## Class 3

This week in class 3 we have been imagining ourselves as reporters, using drama to support our writing. The children were all fantastic at using exciting vocabulary and phrases in true 'reporter' style and I look forward to sharing their final news reports with you all. Year 4's have now all completed their multiplication checks, demonstrating confidence and determination. As we plough on into the summer term please ensure your child continues to complete their home learning and hands it in on time for extra Dojo points.



## Class 4

Class 4 have been working on our writing project based on King Kong. We've been looking at relative clauses and how to punctuate speech. We are now working on planning our own stories.





# Pupil Learning Awards This Week



## STAR LEARNER OF THE WEEK THIS AWARD IS PRESENTED TO

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <b>Class 1</b> | Finley for creating numbers to 20 with Numicon                                  |
| <b>Class 2</b> | Blake for using and applying his understanding of money in his maths assessment |
| <b>Class 3</b> | Theo for his fantastic piece of writing as a reporter                           |
| <b>Class 4</b> | Luca for taking on his role in the play with such confidence                    |



## LEARNING BEHAVIOUR THIS AWARD IS PRESENTED TO



|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| <b>Class 1</b> | Lottie for great group reading in Reception  |
| <b>Class 2</b> | Archie for sharing great ideas with others on the carpet                                 |
| <b>Class 3</b> | Ronnie W for being an amazing friend to others and always working well as part of a team |
| <b>Class 4</b> | Amelie for great teamwork during a netball tournament                                    |

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| <b>Star of the Week - Nursery</b> | Charlotte for being so helpful at tidy up time |
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|------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Reading Baskets</b> | Key Stage 1: Joe   |
|                        | Key Stage 2: Elise |

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| <b>School Council - The Perfect Presentation Award</b> | Key Stage 1: Amelia W |
|  | Key Stage 2: Yana     |

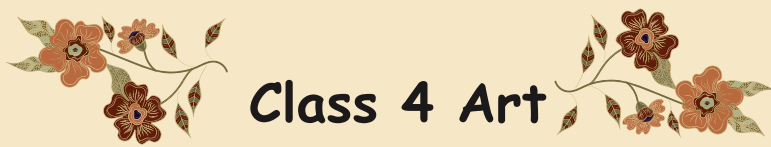
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| <b>Sports' Leaders Playground Champion Award</b> | Noah for always tidying the lego bricks |
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Charlotte, Adam



Theo N, Jorgie A, Blake, Georgie, Elle, Isla, Martha, Penelope, Teddy



# Class 4 Art

## Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Class 4 have been working on their batik designs based on the work of Pegah Jagangiri. They have had a go at drawing with hot wax and then dyeing the fabric to produce beautiful designs



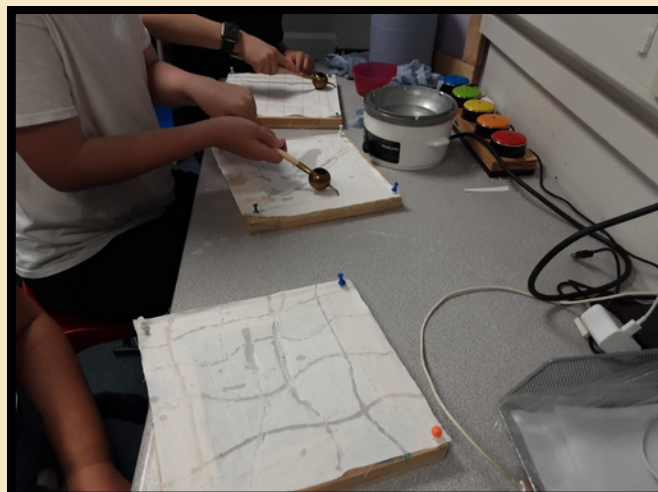
'I enjoyed painting my pattern and seeing the colours repelled by the wax.' Darcie



'You had to make a design on fabric - it had to be simple and not intricate as the wax was quick thick.' Seraphine



'It was fun drawing with wax but a bit difficult - it dried really quickly.' Tom



Foundation Stage  
Class  
Outdoor learning  
provision  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June  
2025



The children have really enjoyed activities in our outside area we are currently re-developing. There are different resources to investigate and we are hopefully having a new staging area and climbing frame.



'We played catching number fish' Astrid  
  
'I like playing with the musical instruments' Niamh

'I was pouring and filling in the water tray' Morwenna  
  
'The giraffe is my favourite hot country animal' Noah





# Team Netball Tournament at Beaford Academy



## Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025



12 children from Years 5 and 6 all went to Beaford to play in a Netball match against High Bickington, Witheridge and Beaford. We played 4 matches and won them all! We qualified to the final and we played against High Bickington and won!

Our netball club took part in a small tournament at Beaford school. They did extremely well and won all of their matches. Our thanks to go to Sam for not only coaching our children so we'll, but also umpiring all of the games at the tournament. We are looking forward to sharing some more sporting activities across TEAM in the future.

'It was great seeing friends from London. It was great to use a full sized court and use our positions' Darcie



'I really enjoyed netball because I liked playing against the other schools and meeting other people'. Bella

'I loved playing in different positions and meeting new people'. Amelie



'I enjoyed the netball tournament because it was fun and I liked to play different positions. I am glad that we won because we put a lot of effort in!' Isabel





# Random Acts of Kindness



Austin and Penelope asked to donate some items to the food bank.



Thank you to Louis for donating his magazines to our Breakfast Club!

Thank you to Henry for donating his books for our library for other children to enjoy!



# Sporting Achievements



Molly and her pony Chez won three classes and then went on to win the championship at the local Stevenstone and Torrington Farmers' Pony Club show on Sunday. Well done!



Well done to Elliot who has been awarded the level 6 proficiency award at his trampolining academy.



Archie took part in the RNLI life boat run in Bude 🏊♂️ coming in amazing 10th over all.



Fantastic run well done Archie 🏊♂️



# TEAM Multi-Academy Trust Vacancies



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We currently have 7 vacancies available at Team Multi-Academy Trust: 

**PLAYWORKER: AFTER SCHOOL CLUB at Horwood and Newton Tracey Community Primary School**

x 2 posts  


**Meal Time Assistant at Umberleigh Primary Academy.**



**0.44 FTE EYFS CLASSROOM TEACHER at Umberleigh Primary Academy.**



**Early Years Playworker: After School Club at Wetheridge Church of England Primary Academy POST 1**



**Early Years Playworker: After School Club at Wetheridge Church of England Primary Academy POST 2**



**1 FTE CLASSROOM TEACHER (SUITABLE FOR EARLY CAREER TEACHERS) at Wetheridge Church of England Primary Academy.**



**1.1 SEND Teaching Assistant at Wetheridge Church of England Primary Academy.**



# Notices...

**HNTPS  
PARENTS & CARERS**  
**YOU CAN NOW PAY  
SKIPATHON SPONSORSHIP  
MONEY INTO YOUR  
ARBOR ACCOUNT**

NAVIGATE TO  
ACTIVITIES/  
TRIPS/SKIPATHON  
DONATIONS  
TO ADD MONEY  
RAISED.

**THANK  
YOU.**



## PARENTS AND CARERS OF HNTPS

Our online booking system for  
Breakfast Club is now live.

Please book your required  
sessions in advance up to the  
end of the summer term.

Remember to keep your  
Arbor Breakfast Club  
account topped up or  
contact the school office  
to confirm that you will be  
paying via the Child Tax  
Free Childcare  
accounts/schemes.



## HNTPS MEALS AT



**PARENTS AND CARERS  
PLEASE ENSURE YOUR  
ARBOR ACCOUNT  
HAS ADEQUATE FUNDS  
TO PAY FOR CHILDREN  
HAVING MEALS**

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Code  
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Expires 31/05/2025

# PARENT VOICE

The Trust are looking to  
develop the next 5 year  
strategy.

As part of the process,  
we would like to get the  
views and ideas from  
all stakeholders.

**HELP US TO DEVELOP  
THE RIGHT STRATEGY FOR  
TEAM – WE WELCOME  
YOUR VIEWS**

[Click HERE to access survey.](#)

## DON'T FORGET TO LET US KNOW

your child's sporting successes  
and other awards  
and random acts of kindness



for our newsletter  
so we can help  
them celebrate

**HNTPS**

FRIENDS OF HNTPS

## SPORTS DAY CAKE SALE

We will be holding a Cake  
Sale during Sports Day at  
1pm on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June

If you would like to donate a  
cake or sweet treat, please  
bring them with you on the  
day

THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR SUPPORT

## School Term Dates 2024/2025

### Summer Term

Half Term - 26th - 30th May 2025

Non Pupil Day - Monday 2nd June 2025

Last day of term – 22nd July 2025



# Community News...

Any articles which appear in the school newsletter, that have not been organised by or on behalf of the school, have not been verified by TEAM Multi-Academy Trust as to the suitability for children. The news items are for parent information only.

Welcome to  
**LOVACOTT GOSPEL HALL**  
 Sunday Morning Service at 11am  
 Taking of Bread & Wine and Gospel Message  
 For any other Meetings please contact Trevor Milton on 858665

## BABY AND TODDLER STAY & PLAY

Held every Friday during term time at Little Learners, Newton Cross.  
 9.30am - 11.00am  
 These are free sessions giving children a chance to meet new friends and for parents to catch up.  
 Contact Lynda on 01271 858881 for more information

To welcome new parents to MyClothing here's an exclusive discount for your new intake parents:

Use code **INTAKE10** at checkout to enjoy 10% off all orders until 31 July.\*

### Girls Rugby Taster Session

Free session open to all girls in current years 5, 6, 7 and 8



No experience necessary  
 Just turn up ready to play!

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May  
 6pm - 7.15

Barnstaple Rugby Club

Girlslead.barnstaplerugby@gmail.com

**FREE**  
 'COME AND TRY SESSIONS'  
**BLUECOAT C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL, GREAT TORRINGTON**  
**TUESDAY, 27 MAY**

SCHOOL YEARS 1, 2 & 3 09:30 - 11:00  
 SCHOOL YEARS 4, 5 & 6 11:00 - 12:30

For more information, please contact Martin Brice  
 martin.brice@devoncricket.co.uk | 07939 015663

REGISTER HERE

## Join the Adventure with Beaver Scouts!

#SkillsForLife

For Boys & Girls Ages 6-8  
 Make new friends, learn new skills, and go on amazing adventures!

- Outdoor Fun
- Crafts & Games
- Camps & Nature Trails
- Teamwork & Confidence Building

**1st Tawstock Scout Group**  
 Mon 18:00 - 19:15

Get Involved - It's more than just badges!

Contact:  
 Email - Helen Roseveare at beaver.tawstock@gmail.com

**Beavers - Fun, Friendship & Adventure!**

## Oral Health Improvement Training (Supporting Children)

When:

**Wednesday 9th July 2025**  
 10:00am - 11:30am

The Oral Health Improvement Team will be hosting a virtual training session on Microsoft Teams aimed at anyone that works with and/or cares for children. Aimed at youth workers, teachers, healthcare professionals, foster carers, hospital and care home staff and parents.

Book a place on the course below:



<https://forms.office.com/e/SNCW7Sqq>



**Y6 PARENTS/CARERS**  
 You are invited to an online workshop:  
**SUPPORTING A SUCCESSFUL SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSITION**

DATE - MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE 2025  
 TIME - 15:45 - 16:45  
 ONLINE VIA TEAMS (joining code below)

- Discuss the common secondary transition concerns.
- Helpful tips to support your child's mental health during the transition.
- Explore signs and reasons for worries about change.

Microsoft Teams  
 Meeting ID: 367 593 566 991  
 Passcode: aq2a8U6j

Join us online

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PETE'S DRIGONS

MULTI-TERRAIN & BEAUTIFUL VIEWS  
**FRIDAY 20TH JUNE 2025**  
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