



# HOLSWORTHY

C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Working together, growing together, all to flourish

## Wednesday 30th July 2025



### Thank you

As we reach the end of July, I wanted to share a final Newsletter for this academic year. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all our parents and carers for your unwavering support, encouragement, and partnership throughout the year. Your involvement in your children's education—whether through attending events, supporting learning at home, or simply being there with a kind word—makes a world of difference.

Together, we've celebrated achievements, overcome challenges, and created a nurturing environment where our pupils can thrive. It has been a joy to watch them grow in confidence, knowledge, and character.

On behalf of all the staff, thank you for being such an integral part of our school community. We wish you a restful and enjoyable summer break, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back in the new academic year.

### School Lunch Price Update

Over the past academic year, we have held off increasing the cost of school lunches, despite rising expenses. During this time, we have been charging less than the rate recommended by Government funding.

Unfortunately, we have now reached a point where an increase is necessary. From September 2025, the cost of school lunches will rise to £2.50 per meal. This adjustment brings us in line with other local schools and remains below the Department for Education's recommended funding rate. We appreciate your understanding and continued support.

### Uniform

As we begin the new academic year in September, we will complete our transition to the updated school uniform. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform, which consists of:

**Pale blue polo shirt** (no logo – can be purchased through most supermarkets)

**Navy blue sweatshirt with logo** – these can be purchased through the school office.

**Plain black bottoms** - shorts, leggings, jogging-bottoms or linen trousers – no logos please

**Trainers** – these need to be predominantly black

### After School Club

Following our consultation in June, we are pleased to confirm that from September, our After School Club will be extended to run until 6:00pm. There will be no additional charge for the final half-hour.

Take part in the Summer 2025

### Parents Childcare Survey

14 July - 9 August 2025

Are you a parent or carer? Whether you currently use childcare or not, your voice counts.

Take part in our short survey to help us make sure that there is enough childcare available in Devon.

Scan the QR code or visit our website to take part.

[devon.cc/parents-childcare-survey](https://devon.cc/parents-childcare-survey)




### Save the Date

Sat 13th September

A family fun-filled event in  
Pyworthy Park to Celebrate  
its 100 year anniversary

Traditional Sports Day, BBQ,  
Rounders etc.

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**Rhythms from The Wild Shore**  
Family Music Workshop with Becki Driscoll from Rootnotes

Make music together as a family in a fun, welcoming environment!  
Join us to create original sea-inspired music that will become part of our magical outdoor theatre show, The Wild Shore.  
Instruments are provided (or bring your own if you prefer) – no experience necessary. All you need is curiosity, energy, and a spark of creativity. Come along and help us bring the sound of the sea to life!

**Tuesday 5 August, 2025**  
**Alwington Village Hall**  
**1.30 - 3.30pm**  
Tickets: FREE - booking essential due to limited places available

More info and book tickets: [beafood.org](https://beafood.org)

Arts Council England, The Fenton Arts Trust, Rootnotes

If your child will be staying until 6:00pm and you would like to provide a packed tea, there will be an opportunity for them to eat this after 5:00pm.

## Books

We are currently reviewing our stock of school-books and have noticed that several titles are still outstanding, including Read Write Inc., Accelerated Reader books (with numbered labels on the spine), and library books.

If you have any school-books at home, we kindly ask that they be returned in September. Your help in keeping our resources complete and available for all pupils is greatly appreciated.

## Staffing

Many of you will be aware that our Deputy Headteacher, Miss Aymee Cann, has been unwell and absent from school for some time. It is with great sadness that I share the news that Aymee is not well enough to return to her role and has made the very difficult decision to step down. This will allow the school to undertake the process of recruiting a new Deputy Headteacher.

Aymee has been a much-loved and highly respected member of the Holsworthy School community, and she has been greatly missed over the past few months. I'm sure you will join me in sending her our very best wishes for her recovery and for the future.

## Summer Reading Challenge

Reading is one of the most valuable skills your child will develop during their time at primary school. As we head into the summer holidays, I encourage you to continue nurturing a love of reading at home.

This could be as simple as sharing a bedtime story, listening to audiobooks during car journeys, or making a visit to your local library. Holsworthy Library is once again hosting the Summer Reading Challenge, which your child can take part in, either online or by visiting the library in person.

It's a wonderful way to keep reading fun and engaging over the break—and a great opportunity for children to explore new books and stories.

[Summer Reading Challenge](#)

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# The Wild Shore

JOIN US FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE PROMENADE  
THEATRE ADVENTURE BY THE SEA



**AUGUST 19TH, 20TH, 21ST, 22ND, 24TH & 25TH**  
**BUCKS MILLS (1 MILE ROUTE)**  
**TICKETS: [beafood.org/events](https://beafood.org/events)**

A FAMILY FRIENDLY ESCAPE FOR CURIOUS ADVENTURERS OF ALL AGES  
WRITTEN BY BERNADETTE RUSSELL

Arts Council England, The Fenton Arts Trust, MORE INFORMATION: [BURNTHECURTAIN.CO.UK](https://BURNTHECURTAIN.CO.UK)



## September Opening Dates

School will be open on Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd September for staff training days. If you have ordered school jumpers, these will be available for collection on these days from the school office.

We look forward to welcoming children back to school on **Thursday 4th September 2025**.





## Harvesting

At the end of term, we saw Willow class harvest their sweet peas and potato crops.



## Farewell to Year 6

As we say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 pupils, we want to celebrate all that they've achieved and the joy they've brought to our school.

Their incredible performance of Matilda at the HATS Theatre was a true highlight—full of talent, energy, and teamwork. They represented our school beautifully during their London trip, showing excellent behaviour and maturity throughout. And on their final day of term, their fun, kindness, and impromptu singing filled the school with laughter and warmth.

We are so proud of each and every one of them. Year 6, thank you for the memories—you will be greatly missed. We wish you all the very best as you begin your next exciting chapter in secondary school.

