

St Hardulph's C of E Primary School School Newsletter



2024/25 9 July End of term May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. Ephesians 3:17

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Wow! What a wonderful school year we have had. This week we have finished the school year off beautifully with a whole school enrichment day which included the laser inflatable arena from SH active which has been generously funded by the PTFA. All the children also enjoyed a visit from the ice cream van which was kindly provided by the Breedon group. Mrs Woodbridge-Stocks led a fantastic whole school forest school session yesterday morning, enabling all children to have a go at cooking on the fire and taking part in some lovely end of year activities. Our year six children enjoyed their leavers activity at rebound shared their lovely leavers service with our school community yesterday afternoon. The KS2 (Year 6) SAT's results were released yesterday and have been shared with the children and families today. We are delighted with their achievement and the progress they have made during their time at St Hardulph's and wish them all the very best as they move onto their secondary schools. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our families a restful and peaceful summer break and we look forward to seeing the children return on Tuesday the 26th of August. Mrs Ellis

We would like to wish Miss Judge all the very best for her upcoming wedding in a couple of weeks time and look forward to welcoming her back as Mrs Chennells in August. We are saying goodbye to Mrs Mills who has been with us during the Summer term on supply and wish her luck in her new job. We are also saying goodbye to Miss Mudd and thank her for her contributions to St Hardulph's and work with Class 3 during Mrs Carvel's maternity leave.

Over the summer we have lots of building work taking place with Class 1's outside area having a facelift and a new area being created, a new staffroom being created in the Hive, the corridor flooring all being replaced and work starting on the new Enhanced Resource Base. We look forward to sharing these changes with you in the new school year. Our new Enhanced Resource Base is anticipated to be opening after October half term and we look forward to welcoming the new children joining our school community in due course.

Alongside the newsletter is an overview calendar of events for 2526 sharing with you activities that are planned during next school year, hopefully giving you sufficient notice to plan to attend where possible. Please note that there may be some small changes if needed and these will be communicated to you as soon as possible.

We are in the process of finalising extracurricular activities for the start of the autumn term; the letter will be emailed out during the inset days and sessions available to book. All extra curricular sessions will start week beginning the 1st September. For the first week back starting the 26th of August wrap around provision will be available should it be required.

We have already communicated to you some changes relating to the costs of wrap around sessions and school dinners and these are below for your reference. There will also be a slight change to wrap around provision in addition to this, in that the late stay session on Mondays and Fridays will not be routinely available due to the low level of uptake. We will always try our best to accommodate families and ask that should you require these sessions, you request this via e-mail to the school office by the Friday lunchtime the week before. We will then endeavour to staff these sessions for you if required. The full late stay session from 4:15 till 5:30 is still available Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. This change has been made to ensure that the provision is financially viable and enables us to keep cost increases to a minimum. We have confirmed some slight changes to our uniform policy and attach a copy of this to the newsletter alongside an overview of PE and forest school sessions for the whole year which also includes an overview of what days PE and forest school kit is required for which class. This should hopefully enable you to plan uniform needs effectively and may enable you to reduce the amount of uniform required. E.g. Two days of PE kit, two days of normal uniform and one day of forest school kit (See sheet for specifics).

Headteacher's Treat

Class 1: Harriet

Class 2: Martha

Class 3: Isla

Headteacher's Awards

This week have been awarded to:

Scarlett Arthur Meghan Matilda

Red Star

Marcie

Bronze Medal

Evelyn Ruby S

Attendance

Our average attendance this year puts our school into the 99th percentile nationally.

Number of minutes lost this week due to children arriving late: 0

	<u>% attendance</u> <u>this year</u>
Class 1	97.9%
Class 2	97.4%
Class 3	95.8%
Total	97.1%

Our attendance for the year is almost 4% above national average, which is an outstanding achievement! Well done everyone for your

support with this.

Payments ParentPay ⇒ Arbor

Some parents may be aware that we have been experiencing issues with ParentPay recently. These have mainly affected the office, rather that parents directly.

Whilst we had planned to move to Arbor for parent payments and club bookings in line with the move to Arbor for our MIS, later in the next academic year these issues have led to the decision to move in time for the start of the next academic year.

Mrs Russell will be working on this during the summer break, as there is a lot to be done behind the scenes and we hope to share the information that parents need to use the new system just before we return to school at the start of the Autumn Term.

Once term is over, please do not make any payments or bookings via ParentPay after Friday. Any existing balances (credit or debit) will be transferred to the new system.

1st week back

Monday - Bank Holiday

Tuesday - School Opens

Tuesday - Forest School C1 & C3 (first day back)

Thursday - 3:15 Meet the Teacher

Friday - 2:45pm Celebration Worship

Fruits of the

Spirit

Awards

Faithfulness

James &

William W

Gentleness

Ruby-Leigh

<u>Goodness</u>

Finn
Love

Louisa

<u>Joy</u>

Ruby S

Kindness Rupert

<u>Peace</u>

Lilly M

Self-Control

Albie

Patience

Samuel

New charges from the beginning of the autumn term

Following a review of the charges by governors and in light of increases in staffing and other costs.

Wrap - Around

•Breakfast Club £5.25

•After School Care 3:15 to 4:15 • 4:15 to 5:30 £7.75

• 3:15 to 5:30 £14.00

•<u>Childrens School Meals</u> (only applies to pupils in Y3 to Y6) £2.70

School information can be provided in different languages, large print, simple text only or Braille. Please speak to Mrs Ellis or the Office if you have a particular requirement.





Diary Dates

















The BeSkilled Trust Term Dates 2025 – 2026

Autumn Term 2025

Inset Days August Bank Holiday

School Opens Half Term

Inset Day

School Closes

Thursday 21st & Friday 22nd August 2025

Monday 25th August 2025

Tuesday 26th August 2025

Monday 20th-Friday 24th October 2025

Monday 27th October 2025 Friday 19th December 2025

(78 days)

Spring Term 2026

School Opens Monday 5th January 2026

Half Term Monday 16th – Friday 20th February 2026

Trust Inset DaySchool Closes

Monday 23rd February 2026
Friday 27th March 2026

(54 days)

Summer Term 2026

School Opens Monday 13th April 2026 May Day Monday 4th May 2026

Half Term Monday 25th May – Friday 29th 2026

School Closes Thursday 9th July 2026

Inset Day Friday 10th July 2026 (disaggregated)

(58 days)

Summer holidays - Friday 10th July - Monday 24th August 2026

TOTAL 190 TEACHING DAYS + 5 ADDITIONAL INSET DAYS FOR STAFF

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