



Highcliffe Headlines

Courage Compassion Respect

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Happy Christmas!

As we come to the end of a very busy and festive term at Highcliffe, it's been wonderful to see our core values of courage, compassion and respect shining through every day. Huge congratulations to Stuart House for winning this half-term's House Cup, well done! We're also incredibly proud of all the children who received a Headteacher's Award or whose hard work was recognised with a Cup nomination this term. A massive thank you to our amazing staff, who have worked so hard to create a truly magical, Christmassy couple of weeks while keeping the children happy, engaged and learning. Thank you as well to everyone who came along to Carols by Torchlight this week, it was a joy to hear the children sing such a fantastic range of Christmas hymns and songs and it really got us all into the Christmas spirit.

We'd like to wish all our Highcliffe families a very happy Christmas and a happy New Year, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on 6th January.

E-safety

As part of our ongoing work around online safety and wellbeing, we are sharing guidance linked to two popular games that many of our pupils talk about and may play at home: [Roblox and Fortnite](#). These guides are intended to help parents and carers better understand the games, the features children may be using, and how to support safe and age-appropriate use. They include information about privacy settings, communication features, and ways to talk with children about staying safe online.

Dorset Football Finals

Having won their respective Christchurch tournaments, our girls and boys football teams represented us fantastically at the Dorset finals last week. We did not bring home the trophies, but it was a great challenge to compete against the best teams in our county and the children showed true sportsmanship. Well done!

Passenger Assistant Jobs

BCP are recruiting Passenger Assistants to support their Home to School Transport services. Please [see more information on our website](#), along with details on how to apply.

Crossing Patrol Update

BCP have informed us that there will be no patroller on Ringwood Road on 8th and 9th January.

However, there will be a patroller on Hinton Wood Avenue permanently from January.

Admissions Policy Consultation

As we have advised, we are currently consulting on our admissions policy for 2027, to include our Fledglings Pre-school in the criteria. There have been some issues with the link to the BCP Council consultation, but that is working on the [letter on our website](#).

Parent Courses, Workshops and Information

We have various parent courses and workshops in the new year to share with you: [FACE family workshops](#), which can be accessed free of charge with our school membership code **HSM260925**

The Umbrella Group have released a new [schedule of meetings](#) for 2026, for parents and carers of children and young adults with ASD.

Family Lives have asked us to share a free [WhatsApp service](#) for parents and carers who are worried about their children or family.

Family Lives are also offering two free [Anxiety around ADHD workshops](#), open to parents and carers across the country.

And finally we are hosting a [PINS parent forum](#) on 6th January, here at school. Please email the office to confirm you would like to attend.

Art Club

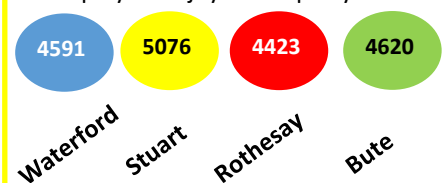
We have had a brilliant first half term in Art Club. Our artists have created bold firework pictures and sparklers, beautiful autumnal paintings, and careful sketches of autumnal objects. We then got into full Christmas mode and made our own wrapping paper using a printing technique, designed clay ornaments and Christmas cards. The children have explored a variety of media and tools and have freely expressed themselves. We have also been working on a top secret art project for the school so watch this space!

Choc tubs collection

We are collecting plastic quality street, roses, heroes and celebrations tubs in school again this year, please take to class or bring to the office.

House Point Totals

Congratulations to Stuart house for winning this half term! Excellent totals, we hope you enjoyed the party.





More Headlines & Dates

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Dates	Event	Times	Location	Parents	Notes
19 Dec	End of term				Finish 1 hour early
5 Jan	Inset Day				
6 Jan	PINS Parent Forum	9.30-10.30	STEM Room	Y	Please email the office to attend
15 Jan	Y3 & 5 Science Dome Visit				During school day
20 Jan	Y1 Crazy Creatures Visit		Year 1		
28 Jan	Parent Rep Meeting—all welcome	5.30-6.30		Y	Email the office if you would like to come along
11 Feb	Y2 Problem Solving Day		Year 2		During school day
10 Mar	5K visit to Athelhampton House				
11 Mar	5P visit to Athelhampton House				
12 Mar	5C visit to Athelhampton House				
16—20 Feb	Half term				
18 Mar	Fledglings Open Evening	4.30-5.30	Fledglings	Y	Please email the office to book in
20 Mar	Ready Steady School	10.00		Y	School readiness workshop, email to book
30 Mar—10 Apr	Easter Holidays				
15 Apr	3R visit to Ancient Technology Centre				
16 Apr	3F visit to Ancient Technology Centre				
17 Apr	3O visit to Ancient Technology Centre				
01 May	Inset Day				
15 May	Ready Steady School	2.00		Y	School readiness workshop, email to book
19 May	Y2 visit to Winchester Science Museum				
25—29 May	Half Term				
01 Jun	Inset Day				
03 Jun	Foundation Longdown Farm Visit				
16 Jun	4B visit to Winchester City Museum				
18 Jun	1S Blashford Lakes				
19 Jun	1G & 1W Blashford Lakes				
23 Jun	4J visit to Winchester City Museum				
25 Jun	4K visit to Winchester City Museum				
23 Jul—	Summer Holidays				