



Highcliffe Headlines

Courage Compassion Respect

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2026—Happy New Year? Let's make it so!

The staff team and I would like to welcome you all back to school and wish you all a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year! We would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the parents and carers who gave us gifts or, in lieu of a gift, a donation to the foodbank at Christmas. We are very grateful for your generosity.

We have already planned the dates for the term ahead, so please check the calendar page of Headlines carefully. We are excited to welcome parents and carers into school for our mid-year parents evening and Heroes events this term.

Finally, I want to say how wonderful it is to be back amongst our caring school community again, looking forward to the year ahead and all it promises to bring! Thank you to the many people who expressed compassion and concern during my absence, it really meant a lot to me, thank you. Mrs Barker

E-safety

The children's commissioner has produced a [new guide for parents and carers](#) which we have been asked to share with you. This guide is in recognition of the complex, rapidly evolving landscape in which children – and parents – are navigating. It focuses on the challenge of managing children's everyday online habits.

School Nurse Appointments

We are delighted to welcome back Fiona, our School Nurse, this half-term. Fiona will be holding a drop-in clinic on Wednesday 5th February from 9:00–10:00am, in a confidential space within school. She is available to discuss any medical or well-being concerns you may have about your child, including sleeping, eating, toileting, hearing, and emotional well-being, among other areas. If you would like an appointment, please book in advance via the school office by phone or email.

Remember to order lunches!

Reminder that all school lunches need to be ordered online 2 weeks in advance, via Arbor, with the **deadline of this Sunday 11th January** for the first week, commencing 26th January. [See our letter](#) for more information.

Holiday Club 2026

For your convenience Holiday Club is now open for booking for the rest of the school year, starting with 16th–18th February half term. For further details and dates please [check on the school's website](#). The HC team is looking forward to having your children for lots of fun, games and arts and crafts.

Shoebox Thank you

The Rotary Club have [shared a dropbox](#) with photos and videos of children receiving their shoeboxes. Thank you again to all who took part in this lovely initiative.

Church Volunteers Needed

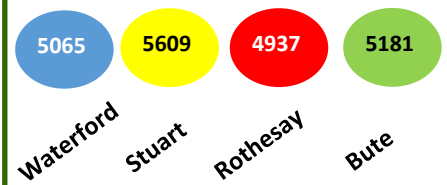
Year 1, 3 and 5 are going to Church on the 19th March for an Easter Service. If you are able to help the children walk from school to church and back, you would be welcome to also attend the service.

You will be needed in school at 10.10, and will return approximately 11.30. Please email the office to put your name down.

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



Autism Central Offer

Autism Central are offering free on to one peer coaching support for families of autistic people, as well as group learning sessions. Please see our [website for more information](#) and to sign up.

Inspiring Future Teachers Event

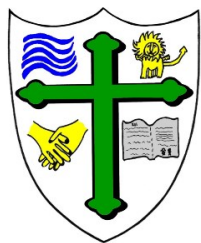
We are hosting a primary teaching experience day on 12th February for anyone considering a career in teaching. More information [available on our website](#).

Mobile & Smartphone Info

We attach a letter with a reminder about our mobile and smartphone school policy.

School Applications

Reminder that all school applications to start in Foundation in September 2026 must be submitted to BCP by the 15th January to be included in the on-time allocation.



More Headlines & Dates

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Dates	Event	Times	Location	Parents	Notes
15 Jan	Y3 & 5 Science Dome Visit				During school day
20 Jan	Y1 Crazy Creatures Visit		Year 1		
28 Jan	Y3 Heroes Event	2.20	KS2 Hall	Y	
28 Jan	Parent Rep Meeting	5.30-6.30		Y	Email the office to confirm attendance
04 Feb	Y5 Heroes Event	2.20	KS2 Hall	Y	
05 Feb	Nurse drop-in	9.00-10.00		Y	Email to book a slot
05 Feb	PINs Virtual Session	4.00-5.00	Online	Y	Link to be shared closer to the date
06 Feb	Foundation Heroes Event	2.20	KS1 Hall	Y	
11 Feb	PINs Face to Face or virtual session	9.00-10.30		Y	Email the office to confirm attendance
11 Feb	Y2 Problem Solving Day		Year 2		During school day
13 Feb	Foundation Winter Discovery Day				See letter for more information
13 Feb	Y6 Heroes Event	2.20	KS2 Hall	Y	
10—12 Mar	Y5 visits to Athelhampton House				
16—20 Feb	Half term				Holiday Club running 16-18 Feb
26 Feb & 03 Mar	Foundation—Y6 Parent Consultations	3.30-6.30	KS1 & KS2 Halls	Y	
10 Mar	Y2 Heroes Event	2.20	KS1 Hall	Y	
13 Mar	Y4 Heroes Event	2.20	KS2 Hall	Y	
17 Mar	Y1 Heroes Event	2.20	KS1 Hall	Y	
18 Mar	Fledglings Open Evening	4.30-5.30	Fledglings	Y	Please email the office to book in
19 Mar	Y1, 3 & 5 Easter Service	10.20	Church	Y	Volunteers needed, email the office
20 Mar	Ready Steady School	10.00		Y	School readiness workshop, email to book
25 Mar	Fledglings Showcase & Parent Appointments	From 9.30	KS1 Hall	Y	
30 Mar—10 Apr	Easter Holidays				Holiday Club running 30 Mar—01 April and 07-08 Apr
15—17 Apr	Y3 visits 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				Holiday Club running 26-27 May
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				