



Monday 24th March 2025

Ashwater Primary School

Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Newsletter No.15 Spring Term

Dear Families,

As you know we had our NSPCC workshops for children in Year 2 and separately in Year 5&6 last week. The feedback about our children's behaviour and engagement was excellent and our visitors were very impressed with them. Our school received a certificate for taking part in this assembly. These important messages will run through our curriculum and we will continue to invite the NSPCC in annually. If you would like to know more, please click here: [Speak out Stay safe programme | NSPCC Learning](#).



Thank you to children who donated towards Comic Relief on Friday. Many children chose to wear non-uniform and there were a number of red noses on display!

This week is another busy week. Today, Wes Pugh, Sports Leader from Holsworthy Community College came to us to deliver the Disability Sports Festival for the Federation as sadly other schools weren't able to take part. Thank you to Mr Pugh for 'being resilient' and finding a way to make this happen for the Federation.

On Wednesday, we have our eagerly anticipated trip to the Theatre Royal, Plymouth to watch Mary Poppins. Please check the letter you received for details. All staff will be on this trip so if you need to contact us in an emergency, please email the office as the admin email will be checked periodically. We will have your contact details so we will call you if we need to. Please be aware we will use personal mobiles so our number will be blocked.

Upcoming Events

March 24

Y1 and Y2 Disability Festival – Halwill Primary School

March 26

Mary Poppins School Trip

March 27

Class 2 Bodmin Jail School Trip

March 28

Class 2 Assembly 9am – 9.45am

April 22

Start of Summer Term

April 24

Y3 and Y4 Swimming

April 28

YR and Y6 Childhood National Measuring

May 1

Y3 and Y4 Swimming

May 6

Bag 2 School Collection

May 8

Y3 and Y4 Swimming

May 9

PTFA Meeting 9am

May 18

Bluebell Walk 2-4pm

May 18

Y3 and Y4 Swimming

Term Dates 2025 -2026

<https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/ashwater-primary-school/parents/term-dates/>

A reminder that there will be no Pre-School on Wednesday due to the Mary Poppins trip. Instead, we are open this Tuesday. You should have received a form to complete if you would like to swap to Tuesday this week.

Pre-School parents were also given a form to request their sessions for the Summer Term. All Pre-School parents need to complete this even if you don't want to increase your sessions. We are now so busy that we need a more formal approach to bookings so please return your form asap to avoid disappointment.

Other News

Burton Art Gallery, Bideford – Schools Exhibition, 11th March – 22nd April 2025

Children have worked hard to prepare their artwork, which has now been sent to the gallery. The Annual School's Exhibition runs until **22nd April 2025**. This is a highlight of the Burton's calendar, where the walls of Gallery 1 are filled floor to ceiling with art from children of all ages. The exhibition really is a riot of colour and a celebration of the good work art teachers are doing in schools in Torridge and the surrounding area. Please do go along as a family to view your child's work as well as the contributions from a number of schools.

London Trip for Y5/6 July 2nd and 3rd 2025

I am pleased to confirm we have had enough interest for the trip to London to be viable. Letters with full details and payment information will be sent home shortly.

Support for St Giles-on-the-Heath Primary School

As you are aware, we have been supporting St Giles School during the absence of their headteacher. This will continue until the end of the Summer Term.

Swimming

After Easter, swimming will start at Ruby Oak. Please see the dates below and complete the following form: <https://forms.gle/JGGhPFDqQwkF4TR8A>

Year Groups	Dates
Y 3/4	24/04, 01/05, 08/05, 22/05
Y 5/6	05/06, 12/06, 19/06
Y R/1/2	26/06, 03/07, 10/07, 17/07

Useful Links

School Contact Details

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[Halwill Primary School – Halwill and Ashwater Primary Schools](#)

Safeguarding: If you have any concerns about a child, please speak to one of the safeguarding team or email safeguarding@halwill.devon.sch.uk

Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Ruh Alford

Deputy Safeguarding Leads

Mrs Catherine Gee

Miss Hayley Frayn

Mrs Rosie Cawsey

Safeguarding Governor

Mrs Alison Clark

Attendance Officer

Mrs Ceren Brooker

If you have concerns that your child may have a Special Educational Need, please raise this with Mrs Casway, the Federation SENDCO. You can contact her via the school office to arrange a meeting