



Henleaze Infant and Junior School Bulletin



23rd January 2026

Headteacher update:

It is hard to believe, I know, but there have been some bright and dry days where it has been a pleasure to watch the children enjoy the amazing outside space that we have at our schools. What is working particularly well at the moment is the choice children have between the spaces where they can get involved with planned games and sports and the zones where adults set up calm activities and resources as well as space where there is the option to be imaginative or active in their own way. We have been talking to members of the Central Team about developing the inside space, both finishing the work in the main hall at the Infant School and making plans for some refurbishments to classrooms and the ground floor toilets at the junior school. We also aim to have some solutions for reducing the heat in the upstairs classrooms before the warm weather arrives. Their premises team are supporting us in getting quotes together, so we hope to get the go ahead for a 'glow up' (and cool down) soon.

In our school council meetings this week, pupils at both schools raised some really valid points about both ideas for developing outdoor and indoor spaces and for reminding pupils to show respect for school property. We hope that by involving pupils in any future plans for works we can encourage them to take responsibility for looking after our shared spaces. School councils will be helping me in assemblies and planning meetings over the coming terms-they are a great resource! Have a great weekend.

Kind Regards,
Gemma Fricker





Class of the Week:

Sycamore Class for managing changes to routine really well and showing great engagement in learning.

Class 7 for being role models in showing their understanding of the behaviour curriculum.

Coming up:

Both Schools:

Friday 30th Jan-INSET (Schools Closed)

Infant School:

Friday 13th February 8:50-9:20 - Open morning to look at your children's learning ahead of parents' Evening
24th and 26th February Parents Evenings
(Willow Class Parents' Evenings 26th & 5th March)

Junior School:

Weds 28th Jan-Year 4 & 5 Cricket Workshops
Monday 9-February **HENSA AGM** @ Gloucester Old Spot 7:30

Weds 28th Jan

Open Mornings Tues 24th-Friday 27th Feb
3rd, 4th, 5th March-Parents' Evenings



Please follow our safety rule of dogs on school grounds.

Community spotlights



 ? **FHIS Quiz 2026 – Save the date** ? 

Save the date! Reminder of the return of the renowned FHIS **Quiz and Curry Night on Friday 13th March**. Tickets will go on sale end of January. You can join as team (max 8 players) or you can be allocated to one. Last year it was a sellout event, so don't miss out!

  **FHIS warmly invite you to the annual Infant School Winter Disco**  

 Save the date! **Friday 6th February**

 6.15-7.45pm

 £3 school children, £1.50 pre-schoolers

 All tickets sold on the door only

 DJ Party Peeps, games, raffle, adult bar, drinks and snacks

 With thanks to event sponsors: Bristol Chiropractic Sports and Family Clinic offering '10% off initial consultation and first treatment for children and parents'

<https://www.bristol-chiropractic.co.uk>



Year 6 only - Leavers' hoodies

A reminder to order your child's Year 6 leavers' hoodie by 20-Feb-26 - see the email from school for more details. By placing an order you are giving consent to your child's first name on the back of all hoodies.

If your child receives free school meals/financial hardship, talk to the office and Hensa will fund a hoodie.

Order using our [unique link at the hoodie hut website](#)



Lost property Overflow-please come to school lobbies to check for missing items. All will go to charity at the end of term

Bristol Family Hubs
Bristol Parenting Groups

- Are you pregnant or a parent of a 0 - 8 year old?
- Would you like to add ideas and skills to your parenting toolbox?
- Would you like to develop more confidence in your parenting?
- Would you like to understand your child better?

Free groups for adults run by Bristol Children's Centres

Scan here to find out more and register your interest!

Your parenting toolbox:

- Listening
- Play
- Nurture
- Praise
- Empathy
- Connection

For more information please call: 07721 311 497 or email: pso@bristol.gov.uk

Once you have registered your interest via: www.bit.ly/BristolParentingGroups we will be in touch to find the best group option for you.

nbge, Welcoming to Learning, Central, EBCC, South Bristol Children's Centres

Community support for families

CATHEDRAL SCHOOLS TRUST
JANUARY 2026
 Dear Parents and Carers,
 Happy New Year to you all and welcome to the new term.

Trust Parent/Carer newsletter attached

Breakfast Club

Weekdays 7:45am – 8:45am £6.50 per session.



Find out more and how to book [here](#)

After School Club Weekdays, INSET and Holidays

[Book here](#)