



# Highbury News

October 2025

‘Valued as Individuals, Inspired and Nurtured as Learners’

## Termly Highlights

Hello,  
It has been great to start the new school year so positively and the children have settled into their new classrooms and routines fantastically. We have welcomed new children to the school including all our children in Reception who joined with us for the first time in our Harvest Celebration.

The weather has been kind to us so the children have been enjoying the weekly Forest School lessons and we have had visits from Hampshire Cricket, Bikeability and Pompey in the Community who have supported some sporting activities in upper Key Stage 2.

Pupils have enjoyed extending their learning with trips to The Winchester Science Museum, The Mary Rose and some pupils in Year 5 have been part of the BAE Changemaker Day. All pupils have represented Highbury well demonstrating our school values which have been recognised by members of the public so well done children! Thank you in supporting these trips to go ahead.

We have met with many new parents and children at our recent Open Days and we ask that you encourage others to come and see how great Highbury is for their children.

I hope you all have an enjoyable half term holiday with your families. Please remember the school is closed for two weeks.

Mrs Watson



## Harvest Festival

We enjoyed our Harvest Festival at the beginning of the month and it was a wonderful opportunity to come together to celebrate with songs and meet our new vicar of St Philips - Fran Carabott. We were overwhelmed with the generosity of our community and so appreciated your donations at this challenging time for us all. Thank you



## Pupil Parliament

Pupil Parliament members have been selected from each class following the voting process. They are excited to be taking on their first challenge with the fundraising sale for Children in Need. Keep a look out in the mornings after half term when Pudsey Bears will be on sale as part of the fundraising raffle.



## Parent's Evening

There will be an opportunity for you to meet with your child's class teacher on the **week beginning the 11th November**. More information to follow.



## Celebrating Wonderful Achievements...

**Football** – Ivie H, Connie M, Florence Q, Isabella S, Birdie L, Albert L, Leo C, Lewis S, Milly T (Captain), Rupert S (Pompey Youth League), Theo R, Jai W, Esmail C, Albert T,

**Dancing** – Alba D, Mollie S, Amelia S, Sydney W, Kyla F

**Gymnastics** – Tallulah T, Matilda B, Susanna T, Alexa B, Ronnie P, Millie W, Grace S

**Karate** – Ronnie P, Ella T

**Tennis** – Susanna T

**Basketball** – Alexander P

**Swimming** – Alexander P, Milo T, Eden C

**Reading Award** – Gigi H, Tristan B, Josie C, Isabella E, Susanna T, George S

**Singing** - Blossom G

**Brownies** - Renee B, Iona M

**Boxing** – Joseph N, Izzy C, Bertie MW

**Rope jumping** - Ronnie P



## IMPORTANT-Contact Info

The school is undergoing a change with our IT provider and the internet will be offline from the 31st October. We hope to be back online by the end of the first week back. We ask that you still report your child's absence via Studybugs. All other communication will be offline so please contact the school office via telephone or you can contact us via [unicat@chi.ac.uk](mailto:unicat@chi.ac.uk).

Thank you for your patience and understanding working with us.

## Upcoming Events

### November 2025

5th – Fire Pitt – ALL

7th – Diversity Dress Up Day – Y1

10th - SSE Workshop - Y4

10th - Mini Professors - Y6

11th - Open Day Tours - new to YR

11th - Parents Evening - ALL

12th - Parents Evening - ALL

13th - Parents Evening - ALL

14th - Children in Need - ALL

18th - Mini Professors - Y2

20th - School Photos - Individual and Siblings

20th – PTA Disco – ALL

### **21st - INSET DAY**

27th - Dress down day - PTA Colour Raffle

28th - Y6 - Natural History Museum

### December 2025

1st - Open Day Tours - new to YR

2nd – Mini Professors – Nursery & YR

5th - Christmas Jumper swap day

8th – Open Box Christmas Show – ALL

8th - Rock Steady Concert

9th - Mini Professors - Y3

**9th - Bumblebees Nativity**

**10th - Butterflies Nativity**

**11th - Christmas Jumper Day**

12th – Elf Workshop – Nursery, YR Y1

12th - Christmas come to Highbury - PTA

16th – Key Stage 1 Nativity – St Philips

17th - Key Stage 1 Nativity - St Philips

17th – Christmas Dinner – ALL

18th – Christmas Parties

19th - Last day of the term

## Reminders

### January 2026

5th - Return to school

Huge congratulations to Miss Burham who is getting married in the half term holiday and will return to school as Mrs Rogers. We wish the happy couple a wonderful day!

