

HIGHBURY NEWS

'Valued as Individuals, Inspired and Nurtured as Learners'

February 2026

Hello...

We have reached the February half term and the weeks have flown by! Even the endless rain and miserable days have not stopped us for enjoying the learning opportunities and enrichment visits. Year R had their first school visit to Staunton Farm, Year 5 visited the Victorian museum - Milestones, Year 4 ventured to Fishbourne Roman Palace, Year 1 had a musical afternoon at the Guildhall and Year 6 girls and Year 5 boys have explored the world of computing. Members from our Pupil Parliament were fortunate to visit the Houses of Parliament in London, where they explored the chamber rooms and discovered more about politics.

We have had a visit from our local PCSO during Computing Week who led an assembly for our children in Years 5 & 6 regarding safety on social media. We celebrated our Bronze Reading Awards and were fortunate to receive a personalised message from the author Simon Green, who recognised the talents of our pupils - well done everyone!

The Yr5/6 Athletics Team did amazingly at the local competition and have been selected to participate at the county finals. The Netball team have also made it through to the county finals. - amazing achievements!

Year 2 have embraced their swimming lessons and it is great to hear how confident and determined they are to make progress in their lessons - keep up the great work!

It is now time for a little break. I hope you all have a relaxing and enjoyable half term - take care!

Portsmouth Family Survey

The Portsmouth Families First Survey is important as the voices of children and families are central to their service improvement. By taking part, families help create a system that is easy to navigate, responsive, and designed for everyone - whether you access support through schools, health services, early years, or community settings.



Take the survey now

Scan with your phone or visit:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/portsmouthfamiliesfirst1>

Please take a moment to complete the survey. Every response counts. Together, we can continue to have Portsmouth as a City where families feel supported and included.

Celebrating wonderful achievements...

Swimming – Eden C, Mira C, Jack G, Bertie M-W, Evie E, Tristan V

Dancing – Sydney W, Ophelia G, Hazel P

Football – Kade F, Birdie L, Jaxx W, George R, Molly G

Tennis – Susanna T

Gymnastics – Esme P, Maya I, Iona M

Singing – Ivie H

Boxing – Berite MW

Snooker Tournament – Joseph H

Bowls Tournament – Isaac S

Motor cross Competition – Jaxx W

Strictly star – Eden C



Well done...

Well done to Epping Forest who won the most house points for this half term! A special non-uniform day will be happening in the new term for the winning team.



Parking Plea!

Please can we ask again that you refrain from parking in Dovercourt Road when dropping and collecting your child. When vehicles are turning it becomes very dangerous and we do not want a repeat of someone being knocked over. We appreciate parking in the local area may be tricky but the safety of the children and our community is paramount and we kindly ask that you walk to school.

If you are arriving by taxi or being collected, we ask that you are dropped at the end of the road and walk to school.

Thank you



Thank you...

A huge thank you to the amazing PTA for organising and hosting a disco. It was great to see the children dressed in their finery and they all had a fabulous time dancing the night away. Thank you to all our amazing parent volunteers who helped during the evening! ✨



Upcoming Events...

February 2026

23rd – INSET day

25th – Openbox – The Gigantic Turnip – Year R

25th – Openbox – Victorian Childhood – Year 5

26th – Class Assembly – Badgers

26th – Author Visit – Simon Green – KS2

March 2026

2nd – 6th – World Book Day Week

3rd – Class Assembly – Hedgehogs

3rd – Alice Holt – Year 1

3rd – Mini Professors – Digestion & Teeth – Year 4

5th – World Book Day Dress Up – optional

5th – Fratton Park – World Record Event – information to follow

7th – Community Day – St Philips

9th – Science Week

9th – Fort Purbrook Activity Centre – Year 4

10th – Class Assembly – Robins

10th – 12th – Parents Evening

10th – Titanic Seacity – Year 2

Book Fayre – 10th, 11th, 12th, 16th (Wednesday–Monday) – after school

12th – Year 5 Victorian Dress Up Day

13th – Butser Ancient Farm – Year 3

16th – Little Canada Residential – Years 5&6

17th – Mini Professors – Plants – Year 1

18th – Easter Concert to school

19th – Class Assembly – Woodpeckers

20th – Easter Concert – Yr3&4 – CHANGE OF DATE

20th – Dress down day RED Nose Day

23rd – Rock Steady Concert

24th – Spring Fair – Year 6

25th – PTA Easter Egg Hunt

26th – Class photos

26th – Science Week Exhibition for parents – pm

27th – Break up for Easter

April 2026

13th – Return to school

16th – Class Assembly – Beech

20th – 22nd – Stubbington Residential – Y3/4

23rd – Class Assembly – Maple

Reminder

**We have an INSET day on
23rd February and the
children return on 24th.**

Monday 23rd Feb

Friday 22nd May

Friday 26th Jun

