



Newsletter - 23rd October 2025

## ***Top News***

### **Thank You for Supporting Our Book Fair!**

A huge thank you to all the parents and families who supported our recent Book Fair. Thanks to your purchases, the school has received **£1,197.50** to spend with Scholastic on exciting new books for our library and classroom book corners.

Your generosity helps us continue to foster a love of reading across our school — we truly appreciate your support!

### **Headteacher Awards**

Our **Headteacher Award nominations** are in! As there wasn't an assembly today, the children will receive their awards **after half term**.

We'll be announcing the **winners in the first week back** — we can't wait to celebrate their achievements!

### **Respect Rangers of the Week**

This week, our Respect Rangers have been shining examples of responsibility and care. They have shown excellent personal organisation and have looked after their pencil cases and school belongings exceptionally well.

It's wonderful to see the children taking pride in their learning environment and showing respect for their own and others' belongings. We're very proud of all our Respect Rangers — keep up the fantastic work!

<b>3G</b>	<b>3Q</b>	<b>3S</b>	<b>4A</b>	<b>4D</b>	<b>4R</b>
Harry	Guy	Nura	Nicholas	Elsie	Aaminah
<b>5C</b>	<b>5S</b>	<b>5V</b>	<b>6D</b>	<b>6G</b>	<b>6M</b>
Benjamin	Henry	Joshua L	Ben	Umaymah	Tommy

### **PE Day Update**

After half term, please note that there will be a **slight change to PE days**. Please ensure children come to school **in their PE kit on the correct day**. Thank you for your support!

	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Games	Monday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday
PE	Tuesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Thursday

### Shoeboxes Full of Smiles!

We're excited to share that our school is taking part in Operation Christmas Child this year — a wonderful initiative started by Samaritan's Purse and supported by our friends at Heathervale Church. Every year, gift-filled shoeboxes are sent to children in need around the world — and now we have the chance to be part of this special mission! Yesterday afternoon, we were joined by Marc from Heathervale Church for a school assembly to tell the children more about this and how we can get involved.

Boxes can be made individually, with friends, or you can take part in a class box. It's completely optional — just for those who would like to take part.

For the list of appropriate items, please click on the link

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/how-to-pack-a-shoebox>

**National Collection Week is 10-17th November**

## ***School Fun***

### **REMINDER: Photography Competition**

Unlock your creative potential by entering our House Photography Competition. We want you to photograph an interesting object/objects or scene in YOUR HOUSE COLOUR, whether this is red, yellow, green or blue!

*How to Enter:*

- Email entries to [photos@new-haw.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:photos@new-haw.surrey.sch.uk)
- Include Colour, Name and Class on the email title
- Deadline Monday **10th November 2025**
- More information [here](#).



### **O Christmas Tree... Do You Have One to Lend?**

We're taking part in the **St John the Baptist's Christmas Tree Festival** and would love your help! If anyone has a **4-foot artificial Christmas tree** that we could **borrow between 3rd and 10th December**, we'd be so grateful.

Please contact the School Office **after the half-term break** if you're able to help.

[office@new-haw.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:office@new-haw.surrey.sch.uk)

Thank you so much for your support and festive spirit! 🌟



## ***Curriculum Highlights***

### **History Comes Alive for Year 6!**

This week, Year 6 visited the Lincolnsfield Centre for an immersive World War II experience. They stepped back in time to learn what life was like during the Blitz, explored an authentic Anderson shelter, and took part in hands-on activities such as air raid drills and 1940s school!

The trip brought our History topic to life and helped everyone gain a deeper understanding of the challenges faced by people during wartime Britain. It was an unforgettable day full of learning, teamwork, and fun.



### **Homework Counts**

Thank you for encouraging your child to complete their homework and hand it in on time. We are happy to report that the number of children doing their homework has increased and the feedback from both pupils and parents has been positive. Please remember that research by the Education Endowment Fund, 2021, shows

that using digital tools for homework can have a positive impact on progress—sometimes by over six months. So, doing homework counts!

*'I find homework fun and my Auntie helps me. I like earning the stars on Doodle Maths.'* Samuel, Year 5.

*'I get my homework done on a Friday and that way I know it's done on time.'* James, Year 5.

*'I really like to do challenges on TT Rockstars because it is a bit fun. I go on it nearly every day.'* Nova, Year 3.

Thank you again for your support.

### **Stay Connected With Us!**

We love sharing all the wonderful things happening at our school — from trip highlights to special events and celebrations.

Follow us on Instagram to keep up with the latest news, photos, and updates:

👉 <https://www.instagram.com/p/DP6loFCDhGp/>

### **Planning Ahead**

#### **After Half Term:**

3rd November - School resumes

4th November - Diwali Dance Workshop

5th November - Diwali Dance Workshop

6th November - Year 5 Space Dome Workshop

7th November - 5S Class Assembly

10th November - Odd Socks Day & Anti-Bullying Week 'Power for Good'

#### **School is closed on:**

- Friday 5th December

#### **Year 4 Swimming Lessons**

Year 4 swimming lessons will **start on 8th January**. Please check the letter emailed on **16th October** for details.

Payments can be made via your **Arbor app** anytime **before 7th January**.

#### **Poppy Appeal - November**

Year 6 will be selling **poppies for the Poppy Appeal** starting **Monday 3rd November**.

Children can bring money into school and purchase poppy merchandise at lunchtimes in the playground. Suggested donation for available items will be from 50p to £2.50.



### **Break the Rules Day Fun!**

Today, the PTA organised Break the Rules Day, and it was a huge success! The children loved showing off their most colourful outfits, creative face paint, bright nail polish, and fantastic accessories — what a sight! It was a wonderful and fun way to start the half term holiday.

We'll share the total funds raised next term, but for now, a big thank you to everyone who took part and supported the event! **Don't forget to follow us on Instagram for more highlights of the day.**



### **Christmas Card Fundraiser Success!**

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our PTA Christmas Card fundraiser! We're delighted to share that £353.20 was raised for the school, with 165 families placing orders. Your support helps make a real difference — thank you, parents and carers! 🧡



<https://new-haw-junior-school-pta.sumupstore.com/>

**QUIZ NIGHT** - Back by popular demand... Save the date of **Friday 14th November!** Details coming soon.



Keep up-to-date with all school events on our School Calendar [here!](#)

### ***Local News***

All news and information on local activities can be found on the Noticeboard of our website [here.](#)

### **Family First - Issue 4 2025**

[Click here](#) for your online issue.