

NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2026



Welcome Back to the Autumn Term!

A very warm welcome back to all of our children, families and staff as we begin another exciting autumn term at Hadleigh Community Primary School. The school has been buzzing with energy, enthusiasm and smiling faces, and it has been wonderful to see everyone settling back into their routines so positively. We are looking forward to a term filled with learning, friendship, achievement and memorable experiences for all.

A special welcome goes to our new Reception children and their families. Starting school is such an important milestone, and we have been delighted to see how confidently and happily the children have begun their school journey. We are already so proud of the fantastic start they have made and look forward to seeing them flourish over the coming months.

We would also like to extend a very warm welcome to the newest members of our team. We are delighted to introduce Mrs Louise Worth, our new Deputy Headteacher, alongside Mr Smith, who joins our Year 5 team, and Mrs Lacchin, who will be teaching in Year 4. We are also pleased to welcome Mrs Bev Hannan, Miss Ellie Pilgrim, Miss Jem Fish, Ms Laura Reid, and Mrs Sam Verbaan to our school's support team. We know that each of them will make a valuable contribution and become wonderful additions to the Hadleigh Community Primary School family.

A FEW IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Please ensure that all water bottles are clearly named. Children use them throughout the day and, despite everyone's best efforts, they can occasionally be misplaced, damaged or even accidentally left behind. When purchasing water bottles, we recommend choosing something practical and durable rather than an expensive bottle that would be difficult or costly to replace.

For health and safety reasons, earrings should be removed for all PE lessons wherever possible. Staff are unable to remove earrings or apply tape before activities. If your child is considering having their ears pierced, we kindly ask parents to consider arranging this at the start of the six-week summer holiday. This allows sufficient time for ears to heal before returning to school and reduces the amount of time children may be unable to participate fully in PE and sporting activities.

Parents may also wish to consider purchasing stud earrings with protective safety butterfly backs, which help cover the exposed pin and reduce the risk of injury during physical activity. Whilst earrings must still be removed where possible, these can offer an additional level of protection for everyday wear.

PE KIT AND CLOTHING

Please check your child's PE days and ensure they come to school wearing the correct PE kit.

As the weather can be unpredictable during the autumn term, we recommend that children wear shorts underneath their tracksuit bottoms on PE days. This gives them the flexibility to stay warm when needed and cool down easily depending on the sport or activity taking place.

Comfortable, practical clothing helps children participate fully and enjoy being active throughout the day.

PACKED LUNCHES

If your child brings a packed lunch to school, please remember that grapes and blueberries must be cut to reduce the risk of choking.

We also ask that chocolate is not included in lunchboxes. Thank you for helping us to keep all children safe and support healthy eating habits.

WEAR GREEN FOR MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

On **Friday 25th September**, children are invited to wear something green to school as we come together to support Macmillan Cancer Support. This special day will also support fundraising through Ali D's fundraising page. Thank you in advance for your generosity and for helping us support such an important cause. Further details, including the fundraising link, can be found via Ali's page.



<https://www.gofundme.com/f/in-loving-memory-of-ali-doherty>

SAVE THE DATE: SCHOOL DISCO

We are excited to announce our school disco on Friday 9th October. Children are invited to come along for an evening of music, dancing and fun.

Disco Times

Years 1 & 2: 4.00pm to 5.00pm

Years 3 & 4: 5.15pm to 6.15pm

Years 5 & 6: 6.30pm to 7.30pm

THANK YOU!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We are looking forward to working together throughout the autumn term and making it a happy, successful and rewarding one for every child. Here's to a fantastic term ahead! 🍁🍁😊