



Henleaze Infant and Junior School Bulletin



5th June 2026

Junior School Sports day is postponed until Friday 10th July @ 9:30

Headteacher update:

Children came back looking healthy and refreshed after a week of weather where that enabled time outside. We have been enjoying the dry spells this week and quite frequently dodging downpours, but this hasn't dampened the spirits. Outside at the Junior school there has been a bit of disruption as the work to repair the area around the now rotten 'tree house' and nature zone is made safe. Sadly, the wooden structures were in worse condition than first seemed and are having to be removed. As happened in the planning of this first phase to make the area usable, School Council will be invited to generate ideas for ways we can develop the space over time. Thank you to HENSA for funding the lion's share of this work.

Across the playgrounds in other areas, children have been enjoying the extra space that using the grass areas allows at both schools. Shine have been engaging children in active play alongside the typical games of tag or climbing activities or the free play with hoops ropes bats and balls. We have had some feedback from pupils and children at both schools through our recent surveys that there is a request for some tweaks to lunchtime play. The Infant school want some more equipment as it is hard to wait a turn for this and some of the Junior School children have asked for some football sessions to be included. School Council have been employed at both schools to plan these ideas. We have a shopping list at the Infant school and the Junior Council worked with Shine to set out a plan for activities that are inclusive for all. As part of this, once the diggers have gone and we settle into the routines for using the field, we hope to have a rotation of football games on the bottom playground. We hope all this activity bodes well for some all-time successful sports days this term!

Kind Regards,

Gemma Fricker



Class of the week:
Maple Class for some really good examples of collaboration in their PSHE presentations this week.

Class 8 for their focus at all times and especially with the MTCs.

Both Schools:

29th June: INSET

Infant School:

Tues 9th: Year 2 trip

Junior School:

Weds 10th: Y5 Trust Sports day

Absence Policy reminders:

We are receiving late notice for planned absence. We ask for at least 3 weeks' notice for non-medical appointments so that we have time to process these requests and respond. To support we will be launching a new online absence form next week.

Please note family holidays in term time will not be authorised even if there is a family birthday during the holiday as this does not fall within the parameters of exceptional circumstance.

Please see the attendance page on our school website for more details.

Before and after school safety on site:

There was a near-miss this morning in the Junior carpark when a Y5 child rode across the carpark in the morning without looking. We have also seen children of all ages climbing on the walls in front of the Infant school where there is a drop. Please remind older children who may come to school alone that the safety expectations on the school site remain the same as they do in the school day and supervise younger children to reduce the risk of accidents.

Community spotlights

Explorodome experience for Year 5 this week



Getting Active!



Playground works



Bristol Parent Carer Forum June booklet linked [here](http://www.bristolparentcarerforum.org.uk)



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