2026-2027 Newsletter EIGHT

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Trusting in God together,
we live, learn & grow!

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CHRISTIAN VALUE OF THE TERM – GENEROSITY

"Kindness is giving hope to those who think they are all alone." – Raktivist

Dear Parents and Carers,



Football Match

Our team dictated the following during our Friday Worship.

"On Monday there were two football matches after school. We drew one and lost one."

"It was against Rosary School." "Some of their players were taller than us." "We played in our blue football strip." "It was sunny!" "Mr Crossley was our referee." "We hit the goal posts and cross bar several times." "George scored our goal." "We did alright."

Actually – they did better than alright. We were really proud of their playing and sportsmanship. As a team they worked well together.

Autumn Craft Night

The PTFA Autumn Craft Afternoon was a spectacular 'riot' of colour, texture and flavour. Thank you to the team who have worked hard to ensure some memorable moments! The children had a great time.









Stone-Age Art

Congratulations to every child in Class 3, and Mrs Davis Potter, for a stunning display of work, in the style of the Stone-Age. The use of line and colour really are impressive



Congratulations to Deba

The first winner of the new Lunchtime award for positive play.



Secondary School

In response to several enquiries from parents, "Yes", visits to other schools are ALWAYS authorised. Y6 Parents have until October 31st to register their choices for secondary school.

Fire Drill

Today we held a 'surprise' fire drill / evacuation test. All children and staff were out safely and accounted for in 3minutes 32 seconds – but we are convinced we can cut at least 30 seconds off that! The results are reportable to the Local Authority.

It's far too early to think about Christmas....

Except, think we must and plan we must.

Christmas Carols! Popular vote.

We have a number of 'surprises' up our sleeves for the Christmas Carol Service (Monday 14th December 6:00 p.m. in St. Peter's Church) but we have space to include some popular carols amongst others I've already chosen. I invite our readers to choose up to 3 favourites from our online list BY FRIDAY 13th NOVEMBER - Christmas Carol Service 2026 – Fill in form

Unlike our Harvest Service, which was surprisingly short, I intend to really 'push the boat out' for Christmas! Anticipate at least an hour, and please note the confirmed start time of 6:00 p.m.

Congratulations to Mrs Buckle

This week the school underwent a County Finance Audit – a bit like Ofsted for school administrators! It caused a lot of extra work but the school has a clean bill of health, with only 2 procedural items to address. Well done Mrs Buckle!

Thank you to Mr Jeakins who this week took your harvest donations to Stroud's Food Bank.

Communication

Please note that I rarely look at Class Dojo for messages. You can reach me more easily on head@haresfield.gloucs.sch.uk . For routine school administration please continue to make phone calls in or send emails to admin@haresfield.gloucs.sch.uk .

FOUND!

A neckless, at the church and possibly after the Harvest service. Please ask for details.

Poppies for sale

As we begin the build up to Armistice day (poppy day on the 11th November) the school has a number of items, costing from 50p to £2.00 for sale. Please bring some cash after half-term.

DATES FOR THE DIARY – more information about events will follow when needed. Other dates added to the diary over the term. I will keep you up to date as soon as I have them.

MONDAY 26TH OCTOBER	HALF TERM WEEK	
Saturday 31st OCTOBER	NEW Y6 Parents have until midnight, October 31st to register their choices for secondary school. Please read the distributed letters carefully.	
MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER	All back in school Our Termly Value will be COMPASSION	
THURSDAY 5th NOVEMBER	Classes 3 & 4 to the Stroud Book Festival. A PROMPT GET-AWAY at 9:00	
FRIDAY 6th NOVEMBER	Classes 1 & 2 to the Stroud Book Festival (afternoon departure).	
WEDS 11th NOVEMBER	Armistice (Poppy Day) - Remembering the fallen. You are welcome to join us on the school field around 10:55 for a brief time of silence, weather permitting.	
MONDAY 16TH NOVEMBER	Anti bullying week – Odd Sock Day	
TUESDAY 17TH NOVEMBER	Open Morning (9:30 – 10:30)	Please phone to let us know you are coming. 01452 720303 Might we have any parents or governors available to support refreshments and 'share their story' of the school?
WEDS 18TH NOVEMBER	Open Morning (9:30 – 10:30)	
WEDS 25TH NOVEMBER	Open Afternoon (2:00 – 3:00) Open Evening (6 p.m. to 7 p.m.)	
THURSDAY 26TH NOVEMBER	Open Afternoon (2:00 – 3:00)	
TUESDAY 1st DECEMBER	Monthly Church Worship – advent with Dave – all invited. @ St. Peters. 9:15 a.m.	
WEDNESDAY 9TH DECEMBER	Rock Steady Concert – invitations sent separately	
WEDNESDAY 9TH DECEMBER	Infant Nativity – Afternoon performance 1:45 p.m. Infant Nativity – Evening Performance 5:30 p.m.	
THURSDAY 10TH DECEMBER	PTFA Christmas Disco – details to follow	
MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER	Christmas Carol Concert – 6:00 pm – all invited. @ St. Peters	
WEDS 16th DECEMBER	Christmas Meal & Christmas Jumpers	
FRIDAY 18th DECEMBER	Last day of Term 2. Christmas Jumpers and Christmas PANTO! Details to follow.	

You will also find our newsletters online here – Haresfield Primary School - Newsletters under the Parents tab.

🎄 **Christmas Cards – Haresfield PTFA** 🎄

A few weeks ago, the children worked really hard to create some beautiful Christmas cards for you to purchase! 🎅 Samples have been sent home in the children's bags today. If you would like to order some cards, scan the QR code on the sample to visit the website, the cards look lovely quality.

🗓️ Please remember that all orders must be placed by 2nd November.

🎁 20% of every purchase will go towards our fundraising pot, helping us to raise money for the school.

Thank you so much for your continued support! ❤️

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