

Homefield C of E Primary School

Newsletter December 2025

Headteacher Update

It's been an incredibly busy time term in school! The children are really enjoying their learning experiences, including visits and visitors. The children continue to respond well to our curriculum and they consistently demonstrate high levels of involvement within their lessons.

This week we are very pleased to welcome Miss Rouse as a Teaching Assistant alongside the Year 3 team of Mrs Warner, Miss Harper and Mrs Parker. This will enable children to receive the appropriate level of support to ensure their time at Homefield is a continuing success.

Mrs Savage's recovery is ongoing but she is making steady progress to being back on two feet so she will be beginning to return to her head teacher duties throughout December. Both children and adults have been busy rehearsing for their Christmas performances and they are looking forward to sharing them with you all.



Tickets for the school performance are available to book using the link
Tickets will then be given to your child to bring home on Monday 8th Dec 2025

Tickets are limited to 2 per family.

Collection buckets will be available at the beginning and end of each performance and all proceeds will go to providing resources for extracurricular clubs. If you could spare any loose change or small donation it will be gratefully received.

Thank you for your continued support and I wish all of our families a very Merry Christmas
Miss Hogg

Exciting Homefield News

We're so excited to announce Miss Everett is expecting a baby in April 2026. We wish Miss Everett and family all the love, joy, and laughter this new bundle of joy will bring. Everyone at Homefield obviously can't wait to meet our new member of the Homefield Team!

During Miss Everett's maternity leave, I will be the Acting SENCO whilst Year 2 teaching commitments will be covered by current Homefield staff. Mrs Jones will remain the main substantive teacher and will be the main point of contact for Year 2 from Easter. In preparation for this change, Miss Everett and I will be working together throughout the Spring Term so all SEND enquiries will involve communication with both members of staff.

Miss Hogg

Play Workshops

Workshop 1 "Building Play"

We would like to invite parents to participate in a workshop where you can find out more about how our children learn through play outdoors. Throughout this term Miss Hogg has worked with the Play Leaders to identify some improvements to our lunchtime provision. At the workshop, we will be sharing with you how our Play Leaders and Sports Leaders support play whilst updating our play environment to improve the opportunities for every child to be involved at lunchtime. During the workshop we will be setting up a new den building area, a wheel zone and some small loose part play areas. We will be building a stage for children's performances and a new mud kitchen. If possible please bring a loose part donation such as clean wood, tarps, plastic pipe, crate, pallets or some power tools to speed up the building process. We are also looking for donations for ride-on toys, scooters, old suitcases and anything from the loose parts list attached.

Date: Saturday 24th January

Time: 09:30 – 12:30

Venue: School Hall and the School Grounds.

Workshop 2 "Come and Play" will be open to parents and children to come and play in the school grounds. During this session the Play Leaders and Sports Leaders will lead activities for everyone to share the new resources and to help children feel more confident in further developing their own play.

Date: Saturday 7th February

Time: 10:00 – 12:00

Venue: School Grounds.

Please respond and book a place at one or both workshops by completing the form on the attached link.

Remember to come dressed appropriately for all weathers and to play!

We look forward to sharing our passion for play with you all.

Miss Hogg

Homefield PTA

Throughout the Autumn Term our Homefield PTA have created some fantastic opportunities to raise money for Homefield. We would especially like to thank all of the team that are behind each of these events and for everyone supporting the events.

Non Uniform Day 13th November produced an incredible range of Tombola prizes resulting in a bumper Tombola at the Fayre that took up half of the school hall!

Our Christmas Fayre raised £1,226.35- What a fantastic total to contribute to ongoing support for the children of Homefield.

Wreath Making Workshop – A hugely creative opportunity for a group of parents to create their own wreath. Huge thanks to everyone involved. Enjoy the Christmas decorations!

Without a fully functioning PTA, events and fundraising will be unable to go ahead. We are always in need of members to contribute to events so please contact for further information on how you can contribute.

Thank you to the amazing PTA!

Reading at Home

Thank you to all those who are sharing books at home with your children and logging these reads onto the BoomReader App. There has been a recent decline in BoomReader logs, with rewards mostly being achieved by the older classes, it would be great to see our younger classes earning a spin on the wheel!

If you have lost your log in details please do ask at the office or the class teacher.

The BoomReader App is very easy to use, please see the parent crib sheet (see link) <https://go-read.co.uk/downloads/parent-guide-mobile.pdf> and a helpful video (see link) <https://vimeo.com/531349764> if you are having difficulties.



Our expectation is that children will read/share books at least 4 times per week and log these onto Boom Reader. The percentage of children

logging 4 reads in each class is calculated at the end of the week, if the class target is reached, the whole class will receive a reading reward. The classes which achieve their target get to 'Spin the Wheel' and participate in a whole class reading reward. The target for Reception, Y1, Y2 and Y3 is 60% and the new challenge target for Y4, Y5 and Y6 is 70%. This year classes have enjoyed Story and Snacks with Miss Hogg, Water Play, Nature Sessions, Wacky Science and Board Game Sessions.

Safeguarding Apps and Games

At Homefield, we do all we can to keep children safe whilst using the internet, giving them knowledge and skills to help keep themselves safe and build digital resilience. We can only be successful in keeping children safe online if staff and parents work together to ensure the online safety message is consistent. It is important that adults speak to their children about how they can keep safe, behave appropriately online and use age appropriate apps and games. You may find the below classifications useful when deciding what you allow child can access.

PEGI VIDEO GAME AGE CLASSIFICATIONS

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www.pegi.info
The content of games with a PEGI 3 rating is considered suitable for all age groups. The game should not contain any sounds or pictures that are likely to frighten young children. A very mild form of violence (in a comical context or a childlike setting) is acceptable. No bad language should be heard.

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www.pegi.info
Game content with scenes or sounds that can possibly be frightening to younger children should fall in this category. Very mild forms of violence (implied, non-detailed, or non-realistic violence) are acceptable for a game with a PEGI 7 rating.

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www.pegi.info
Video games that show violence of a slightly more graphic nature towards fantasy characters or non-realistic violence towards human-like characters would fall in this age category. Sexual innuendo or sexual posturing can be present, while any bad language in this category must be mild. Gambling as it is normally carried out in real life in casinos or gambling halls can also be present (e.g. card games that in real life would be played for money).

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www.pegi.info
This rating is applied once the depiction of violence (or sexual activity) reaches a stage that looks the same as would be expected in real life. The use of bad language in games with a PEGI 16 rating can be more extreme, while games of chance, and the use of tobacco, alcohol or illegal drugs can also be present.

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www.pegi.info
The adult classification is applied when the level of violence reaches a stage where it becomes a depiction of gross violence, apparently motiveless killing, or violence towards defenceless characters. The glamorisation of the use of illegal drugs and explicit sexual activity should also fall into this age category.

THE CONTENT DESCRIPTORS

- VIOLENCE
- BAD LANGUAGE
- SEX
- GAMBLING
- FEAR
- IN-GAME PURCHASES
- DRUGS
- DISCRIMINATION

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Reception intake 2026/27

To apply for a place in our Reception Class 2026/27 please click [here](#)

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed, If you would like to make an appointment please email office@homefield.norfolk.sch.uk or call 01493 661691

Attendance

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Don't miss out on the education you deserve.



Our whole school attendance is currently 94%, below our target of 96%. We are always here to support with any questions or concerns you may have around your child's attendance and work with you to break down any barriers that are preventing good school attendance.

As we enter the colder months, the likelihood of illness increases. If your child does become ill and you are unsure on whether they should attend school, please speak with the school office or use this guide from the NHS

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Extra Curricular Clubs

Club Overview - Autumn 2

Monday	Football Skills	Y1-2	Playground	ENSFC
	Recorder Club	Y4-6	Classroom	Miss Buck & Mrs Duffield
	Cooking Club	Y1-2	Kitchen	Mrs Howard & Mrs Clarke
Tuesday	Gymnastics	Y1-2	Hall	Premier Sport
	Basketball	Y3-6	Playground	ENSFC
Wednesday	Dodgeball	Y3-4	Hall	Premier Sport
Thursday	Boys' Football	Y4-6	Playground	Premier Sport
Friday	Girls' Football	Y3-6	Playground	ENSFC

We also have our usual breakfast and after school clubs available

Diary Dates

Date	Event	Year Group
8th December	Christmas story cafe 2:15 - 3:15pm	Nursery
9th December	Nativity Performances 9-10am & 2-3pm	Years 1, 2 & 3
11th December	Christmas story cafe 10:30 - 11:15am	Nursery
11th December	KS2 Carol Concerts 9-10am & 5:30-6:30pm (Parents Welcome)	Years 4, 5 & 6
13th December	Willow Lantern Parade Great Yarmouth Market Place	Public
15th December	KS1 Carol concert (pupils only)	Years 1, 2 & 3
16th December	KS2 Carol concert (pupils only)	Years 4, 5 & 6
16th December	Christmas story cafe 2-3pm	Reception
18th December	Christmas lunch & Jumper day	Nursery - Year 6

19th December	Last Day Autumn term	Nursery - Year 6
6th January 2026	Start of the Spring Term 2026	Nursery – Year 6