



Friday 18th July 2025

Halwin Headlines

As we reach the end of another incredible school year, I find myself reflecting on everything our children, staff, and community have achieved — and struggling to capture it all in just a few paragraphs. The truth is, this has been a year full of standout moments, quiet triumphs, and shared milestones that will stay with us for a long time. Back in September, we opened our brand-new EYFS space, giving our youngest learners a beautiful, purpose-built space to begin their school journey. Since then, the learning and growing haven't stopped. Our Year 6 children did us proud with *outstanding* SATs results — not just because of their scores, but because of the resilience, effort, and curiosity they showed along the way. Beyond the classroom, the range of trips, visitors, and enrichment experiences this year has been truly phenomenal. From awe-inspiring outings to hands-on workshops, our pupils have encountered the wider world in ways that deepen learning and spark imagination. We were also thrilled to enter the LEGO League for the first time — and came away with an amazing 2nd place finish! Meanwhile, a very different kind of team member joined us this year: our new school dog, who has quickly become a much-loved companion and a calming presence for many. At the heart of all this are the foundations we've been strengthening: a refreshed, ambitious curriculum with new drivers and embedded retrieval practice, and a reinvigorated behaviour approach rooted in three simple words — *Ready, Respectful, Safe*. These values run through everything we do, and the way our children live them out every day is a credit to them and to you.

This afternoon, we had the pleasure of celebrating the children who received awards in our final assembly — congratulations to all of them for their achievements and contributions to school life—Eli (Headteachers Award), Lukas (Sports Award), Penny (Music award—kindly donated by Mrs Vivian), Lloyd (Confidence), Sam (Aspiration), Ruby (Resilience) and Amber (Enjoyment). We also say a fond farewell and heartfelt thank you to three members of staff—Lowri Vivian, Emma Blewitt and Steph Tomba, who are moving on to new roles within Crofty schools as we transition to a two-class structure. Their impact on our school has been enormous, and they leave with our very best wishes for the future. Thank you to the Friends of Halwin and the parents for an amazing year of fundraising and opportunities for our children. I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank Ross Durkin, our outgoing Chair of Governors, for his dedicated service and support over the years. We welcome Martin Bland as our new Chair and look forward to working closely with him. We'll also be recruiting new parent governors in September, and I encourage anyone interested to get involved — it's a great way to support the school and help shape its future.

Looking ahead to next year, we're excited to introduce Wellbeing Wednesdays, build on our programme of curriculum enrichment, trips, and visitors, and continue developing our provision so that every child can thrive.

To every pupil: thank you for your spirit, your kindness, and your effort. To every parent and carer: thank you for your ongoing support and trust. And to our staff team: your dedication and care make all of this possible.

Wishing you all a joyful, restful summer.



Next weeks lunch is **week 2 NEW MENU**



Get in touch

You can contact us via phone or email.

01209 860329

halwinsecretary@croftymat.org

Wrap-Around Care Link

<https://forms.gle/jEYusfHJQzweAGnJ8>

Or email Mrs Gee to book

Attendance

We aim for all our children to have at least 97% attendance throughout the year.

Overall attendance for this week was 93.36%

See below for the attendance for each class last week.

Robins: 98.33%

Owls: 93.33%

Kingfishers: 88.82%

Well Done


ROBINS

Confidence Aspiration Resilience Enjoyment

Halwin Heroes



Confidence **Aspiration** Resilience Enjoyment

	Star of the Week
Robins	Faith
Owls	Rupert B
Kingfishers	Alex

Confidence	Lloyd
Aspiration	Sam
Resilience	Ruby
Enjoyment	Amber

Team Points

Blue—5515

Red—5419

Green—5445

Yellow—5644



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Hall of Fame

Robins: Aimée

Owls: Marley, Harry, Amber, Alfie

Kingfishers: Eli, Amelia

Halwin Heroes



Accelerated™
Reader

**Congratulations for reaching your Summer
reading target:**

Rupert HM, Lukas, Sophie, Zephyr, Harrison,
Bryn, Penny, Lloyd

RENAISSANCE LEARNING™

Halwin Celebrations

Visit to Fairview Farm—EYFS and Year 6



Halwin Celebrations



July 2025—Award Winners



Confidence Aspiration Resilience Enjoyment

Diary Dates



Monday 21st July	Y6 Leavers Evening 6pm (Kingfishers arrive 5.45pm)
Tuesday 22nd July	Last day of Term—non school uniform

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Wednesday 3rd Sept	INSET day—school closed to pupils
Thursday 4th Sept	First day of Autumn Term

INSET DAYS 2025/26

Monday 3rd November	Monday 5th January
Monday 23rd February	Friday 8th May
Monday 22nd June	Thursday 23rd July

Reading



Cornwall Libraries Summer Reading Challenge 2025: Story Garden

The Summer Reading Challenge takes place in all libraries in Cornwall. It's FREE to take part and FREE to join the library if you are not already a member! Simply visit your local library and sign up! The aim is for participants aged 4-11 to read six books between 5th July and 6th September. Children receive stickers and prizes such as a seed bookmark, pop badge and temporary tattoos as they progress through the Challenge and a medal, swim voucher and certificate upon successful completion! It helps to keep children reading over the summer holidays and promotes reading for pleasure as the children choose the books they want to read.

The theme this year is Story Garden, celebrating adventures in nature and the great outdoors. Look out for special events at the libraries too!



Clicks the links below to get some book recommendations for your summer reading:

[EYFS](#)

[Year 1](#)

[Year 2](#)

[Year 3](#)

[Year 4](#)

[Year 5](#)

[Year 6](#)

WEEK 2

W/C: 28/04/2025, 19/05/2025, 09/06/2025, 30/06/2025, 21/07/2025, 01/09/2025, 22/09/2025, 13/10/2025

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Macaroni Cheese 🌱 🍷	BBQ Chicken Pizza Served with Potato Wedges	Roast Gammon Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Beef Bolognese Served with Wholewheat Pasta 🍷 🍷	Southern Fried Chicken Served with Chips 🍷
		OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
	OPTION 2	Sweet and Sour Vegetables Served with Wholegrain Rice 🍷 🍷	Meatless Feast Cheesy Pizza Served with Potato Wedges 🌱 🍷	Sweet Potato, Chickpea and Herb Roast Served with Gravy 🌱	Tex Mex Vegetable Fajita Wrap 🌱 🍷 🍷	Veggie Fingers Served with Chips 🌱 🌱 🍷
		OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta 🌱 🍷	Tomato Pasta Fresh, Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta 🌱 🍷	Tomato Pasta Fresh, Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta 🌱 🍷	Tomato Pasta Fresh, Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta 🌱 🍷	Tomato Pasta Fresh, Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta 🌱 🍷

HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD

DELI DISHES	OPTION 4	Ham Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Wrap 🌱	Ham Baguette	Ham Wrap
		OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
DELI DISHES	OPTION 5	Cheese Wrap 🌱	Tuna and Sweetcorn Wrap	Egg Mayo Baguette 🌱	Cream Cheese and Cucumber Wrap 🌱	Cheese Baguette 🌱

DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD

DESSERT	Caramel Mousse	Chocolate Brownie 🌱	Flapjack Served with Fruit or Apple Wedges 🌱	Lemon Emerald Cake	Chocolate Ice Cream
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BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY

With a choice of toppings 🌱 🍷



AVAILABLE DAILY

Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

Vegetarian
 Vegan
 Oily Fish
 Wholegrain
 Fruity!
 Nutritionist's Choice

Our menu is subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for

Notices and Events



Attendance

The updated attendance policy is available on the school website: <https://halwin.croftymat.org/>

There are 175 non-school days in a year and 190 school days each year.						
Absence in terms of days	190 school days in each year	7 days absence	10 days absence	19 days absence	28 days absence	47 days absence
	190 days for your child's education	183 days in school	180 days in school	171 days in school and the equivalent of a month not in school that year	162 days in school If it 85% each year, your child is missing the equivalent of a year of education over their time at primary school	143 days in school
percentage	100%	96%	95%	90%	85%	75%
	Good -Best chance of success -Gets your child off to a flying start -Helps their confidence, social development as well as their academic progress -Over 97% is considered excellent attendance		Some Concern -Harder for your child to make progress -School starts tracking your child's attendance closely, <u>Medical</u> evidence may be required to authorise further absences linked to illness		Worrying -Your child is now classified as a 'persistent absentee' - Education Welfare Officer involvement is likely	
			Serious Concern -Having a significant impact on your child's education and well-being -Legal Action may be taken			

Attendance



School doors open at 8.40am and registration is taken at 8.45am. Children who arrive after the registration period has closed (9.05am) may be recorded with an unauthorised absence mark for the morning session.

The Government does not support parents taking children out of school, unless the school agrees this is appropriate under 'exceptional circumstances'. The DfE does not consider a need/desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure/recreation to be an exceptional circumstance. If you consider that your request for absence is exceptional you will need to complete the 'Leave of Absence Exceptional Circumstances' request form. Letters will not be accepted. This form should be returned to the school office at least 15 school days before the start of the absence. A response will be sent to you as soon as possible. If leave is not authorised and you nevertheless withdraw your child from school, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised absence. There is now a national threshold of 10 unauthorised sessions (equivalent to 5 school days) within a rolling 10 school week period for when a penalty notice must be considered. Under the new rules, taking your child out of school for a one-week holiday will now mean that a penalty notice must be considered. Please note the legal information below:

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days.

Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

'Parent' as set out in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996, defines parent to include: natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and; any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person with whom a child lives and who looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.

Join Friends of Halwin AGM Today!

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**New members
welcome!** Help us to
support the children of
Halwin School.

**When: 9th September,
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Wild Wellbeing

During the summer holidays MHST, in collaboration with Natural England, Cornwall Wildlife Trust and National Trust, would like you to join us on a FREE Wild Wellbeing session at various locations across Cornwall.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall to help understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing.
Please book EACH child on to a session

Morning and afternoon sessions available at:

Golitha Falls
Dipping Pond, Goss Moor
Tehidy Woods
Penrose Estate
Heamoor Primary School
Hayle Family Hub

Each session will last approx. 2 hours

To request a place, complete the online
form or scan the QR code provided:

<https://forms.office.com/e/NRrN3NXSvH>



Please note: Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis. If you are allocated a place and cannot attend, please let us know so we can allocate your space to someone else



Follow us on Facebook for updates and upcoming events:

Cornwall Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST NHS Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Parents and Carers - please join us at our 1hr online **Behaviour Workshop**

Monday 22 September - 9.30am & 1pm
 Tuesday 23 September - 11am & 4pm
 Wednesday 24 September - 9.30am & 1pm
 Thursday 25 September - 10.00am & 4pm

This workshop provides parents with practical strategies to foster positive behaviour and communication at home.

To book a place please complete the online form
<https://forms.office.com/e/gA2jNGbZ4F> or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST NHS Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Parents and Carers - please join us at our 1hr online **Worry Workshop**

Monday 8 September - 9:30am & 1pm
 Tuesday 9 September - 10am & 4pm
 Wednesday 10 September - 9:30am & 1pm
 Thursday 11 September - 11am & 4pm

This workshop aims to provide psychoeducation on "What is worry?" and "Why does my child worry?" Also includes practical strategies for helping children manage their worries.

To book a place please complete the online form
<https://forms.office.com/e/hkyaFeuY1Z> or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST NHS Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Parents and Carers - please join us at our 1hr online **Sleep Workshop**

Monday 29 September - 11am & 4pm
 Tuesday 30 September - 9.30am & 1pm
 Wednesday 1 October - 9.30am & 1pm
 Thursday 2 October - 10am & 4pm

This workshop aims to provide psychoeducation on sleep hygiene and sleep routines. Also includes practical strategies for helping children

To book a place please complete the online form
<https://forms.office.com/e/6cJiu8PaRV> or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST NHS Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Parents and Carers - please join us at our 1hr online **Resilience Workshop**

Monday 15 September - 9.30am & 1pm
 Tuesday 16 September - 10am & 4pm
 Wednesday 17 September - 11am & 1pm
 Thursday 18 September - 9.30am & 4pm

This workshop aims to talk about the meaning of resilience, explore building resilience and look at how and when a young person should ask for help.

To book a place please complete the online form
<https://forms.office.com/e/260T74xF2v> or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall

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Art Club

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- » £18 drop-in
- » Block booking (5 weeks) or drop-in
- » Two sibling discount: £130 for 5-week block
- » Up to 12 students
- » Materials provided
- » GCSE support available
- » Catch-up sessions offered for holiday absences (up to 2)
- » Classes available all year (termly bookings)

Wednesdays: 11.00-12.15pm
Thursdays: 1.30-2.45pm
Fridays: 11.00-12.15pm

Young Artist Masterclass

Full coaching for each student.
Ideal for GCSE support.

- » Ages 10-16
- » £22 per 1.5 hr class
- » £25 drop-in
- » Block booking (5 weeks) or drop-in
- » Two sibling discount: £200 for 5-week block
- » Max 6 students
- » Materials provided
- » Catch-up sessions offered for holiday absences (up to 2)

Wednesdays: 12.30-2pm
Thursdays: 11.00-12.20pm

Adult Classes

Weekly classes exploring diverse topics. Individual instruction.

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Wednesdays: 6-8pm



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