

St Hedda's Catholic Primary School



Class 1: Spencer
Class 2: Ezra

NEWSLETTER

09.10.26

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Monday 12th October

Tuesday 13th October

1.30pm Reception Open afternoon
3pm Reception Open Evening

Wednesday 14th October

Thursday 15th October

11.30 a.m. Forest School Playgroup

Friday 16th October

1pm Horse Riding

In Class 1 - Class 1 have been making the most of the beautiful autumnal weather with a lovely autumn walk around our school grounds. We enjoyed spotting the changing colours of the leaves, listening to the sounds of nature and noticing all the signs that autumn is here. We have also begun exploring the much-loved story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt.' The children have been joining in with the story and developing their storytelling skills, and they certainly impressed all our visitors with their fantastic performance of the poem's "Chop, chop!" As well as this, Year 1 have continued to develop their work with number bonds to 10 in Maths and have begun character descriptions in writing using adjectives.

In Class 2 - It has been another busy and enjoyable week for Class 2! We have had great fun taking part in cross country at Whitby School, where everyone showed fantastic commitment, enthusiasm and participation. In History, we have been exploring the Iron Age further, considering questions such as When was the Iron Age? What was it like? and How do we know? We have also been developing our instruction writing skills and are beginning to refine and improve our final pieces. In Forest School, we have enjoyed getting creative with clay modelling and working together to build dens. It has been wonderful to see everyone getting stuck in, working collaboratively and enjoying their learning!

Our School Community

Thank you to everyone who joined us for mass, attended our coffee morning (which raised a brilliant £68!) or has donated items to school this week. We are very grateful to have you working so actively with us to ensure the best for your children.

Stay and Play/ Information Sessions

Do you know a family who would love our school?

We are hosting 3 stay and play/ information sessions for new nursery and reception starters. These sessions are an ideal opportunity for anyone whose child starts school in September 2027 or who has a 2 or 3 year old who may be interested in joining our nursery. Parents/carers can book via [bookwhen/stheddas](https://bookwhen.com/stheddas)

Tuesday 13th October 1:30-3 and 3-4:30

Monday 19th October 10-11:30

Please help us to spread the word about our wonderful school!

Thank you Mrs Sill

You will have received a letter explaining a change in St Hedda's executive leadership in the new year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Sill for her support and collaboration over the past 3 years and wish her well in her continued leadership at two other NPCAT schools.

Forest School Clothing

As the weather begins to get colder a reminder that all children should bring to school each Thursday: a warm/waterproof coat, waterproof trousers/ puddlesuit if you have them, wellies/ boots, a warm hat, gloves (depending on the forecast). Sessions will continue outdoors for as long as this is safely possible. Children should continue to come to school in their uniform.

Harvest Appeal

As I mentioned in mass this week, we are looking for donations to take to Whitby foodbank to support those who need it. Please send in your donations by Monday 19th October.

Items needed: tinned food, jars of sauces, biscuits, jam, cereal, pasta, sugar, tea, coffee, instant noodles, rice.

Christmas Fair

The PTA are in the early stages of planning a Christmas Fair on the 17th December, 2:30-5. This will be held outdoors (weather permitting) and we hope that alongside some very high quality child made products that some local craftspeople, brewers, bakers, food stalls will join us for the event. This will begin to be advertised next week but please do let me know if you know anyone who may be interested. Please also note this date in your diary and invite everyone and anyone who may be interested in coming. This will be a key fundraising opportunity for activities in the new year.

Christmas Wreath Making

We know it is a little early but booking for our popular wreath making sessions are now open. This year there is the option to make either a door wreath or a table/advent wreath across 3 slots on Wednesday 2nd December. More information on our facebook page and at bookwhen.com/stheddas

Autumn Disco

The Friends of St Hedda's are hosting an Autumn Disco 5-6:30 on Wednesday 21st October. Children are invited to come in a spooky costume if they wish and are welcome to bring along cousins/friends etc. Entry £5 per child including a hot dog (or alternative), drinks and games.

Parents Welcome at Horseriding

Parents are welcome to come and watch their child ride on 23rd October. This is the final session in this block, although, we hope to continue to build on our skills in the Spring term.

Donations

We are seeking donations of the following items:

- Clean glass jars and lids
- Clean empty milk bottles
- Battery powered fairy lights
- Bamboo/ canes
- Logs and stumps
- Buttons

FORTHCOMING DATES/EVENTS

Thursdays - Forest School Sessions
Fridays - from 25th September - Horseriding
Fridays - from 6th November - Swimming

OCTOBER 2026

Tues 13th - 1.30pm Reception Open Afternoon/Stay and Play
Tues 13th - 3pm - Reception Open evening
Thur 15th - Forest School Playgroup
Mon 19th - 10am Reception Open Afternoon/Stay and Play
Wed 21st - 5pm Autumn Disco
Thur 22nd - Forest School Playgroup
Mon 26th - Fri 30th October - Half Term

NOVEMBER 2026

Tues 3rd - Parents Consultations
Thur 5th - Forest School Playgroup
Mon 9th - Diwali afternoon
Tues 10th - 2 p.m. PTA Meeting
Wed 11th - Remembrance Day
Thur 12th - Forest School Playgroup
Mon 16th - NSPCC Odd Socks Day/Anti Bullying week
Fri 20th - 11am LGB Meeting
Mon 23rd - School Photos
Fri 27th - PD Day - School Closed

DECEMBER 2026

Wed 2nd - Advent Wreath Making Sessions
Thur 3rd - School Advent Wreath making
Thur 10th - 2pm Christmas Performance
Tues 15th - Class 1 Panto Trip
Wed 16th - Class 2 Panto Trip
Thur 17th - Christmas Lunch
Thur 17th - 2.30 pm Lumiere and Christmas Fair
Fri 18th - Break up for Christmas

JANUARY 2027

Mon 4th - PD Day - school closed.
Tues 5th - Children return to School