



Welcome to Henleaze Junior School

A brief introduction for new children
and their families



An inclusive school where everyone feels they belong

Children at HJS really enjoy being in school. They love learning, they enjoy building relationships and they participate in all aspects of school life.

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Pupil voice is central to
everything we do. We
teach them how to
express their opinions
and feelings, how to
listen to each other and
how to respect
differences.



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Most of our children
come to us from
Henleaze Infant School,
but every year we admit
a few children who are
moving from other
schools. Our children
make them feel most
welcome!





Creative, curious and critical thinkers

We teach our children how to be effective learners. We teach them how their brain works and how it grows as they develop their personality and acquire new knowledge and skills.



The yeti

We teach our children to adopt a growth mindset – to believe that they can train their brain. Just like exercising your muscles to keep fit, exercising your brain helps it to keep on growing. We don't say, "We can't do it!" We say, "We can't do it **yet!**"

The inner chimp

We teach our children how to manage their feelings and emotions. The inner chimp is usually our friend, but sometimes it gets carried away and we need to bring it under control. The inner chimp represents the amygdala – the instinctive part of the brain that acts without necessarily thinking first.





The ELLI animals

We teach our children about 7 characteristics of lifelong learners:

- + Strategic thinking
- + Curiosity
- + Creativity
- + Making connections
- + Learning relationships
- + Resilience
- + Learning and changing



A curriculum that excites and inspires

As well as the daily Maths and English lesson and a weekly Science lesson, children have two PE lessons every week, a German or French lesson, topic lessons that cover History and Geography and plenty of Art, Music and Drama, as well as RE, PSHE, Computing and E-safety.

A curriculum that excites and inspires

We like getting outside whenever possible. We have beautiful school grounds, and environmental education is very important to us. We also learn important life skills, including first aid and cycle training. Children participate in debates, topic talks and performances.





A curriculum that excites and inspires

We aim to respond to children's interests, and very much enjoy their regular topic talks. All children develop the confidence to perform with their year group in front of an audience. We get out and about on trips, including residential in Years 5 and 6. We are proud of our longstanding partnership Kasongore Primary School in Uganda.



Developing confident,
motivated and respectful
young people

We encourage children to take responsibility for their learning and development right from the start. They are allocated to a team and throughout their time at HJS they can earn team points for themselves and for their team.

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We teach children about
the democratic process and
elect a School Council to
help influence our decision
making. We also have a
committee of Green
Ambassadors and Agents
of Change. Children take
on increasing responsibility
as they get older. They
leave us well equipped for
the challenges of
secondary school.



About the school

Henleaze Junior School is a single academy trust. As an academy we are accountable directly to the government, rather than the local education authority. As far as the children are concerned, there is no noticeable difference between us and a local authority maintained school.



About the school

We work very closely with our neighbours on the Henleaze Campus, Henleaze Infant School and Claremont Special School. We are members of a local network of schools, the NW24 Teaching and Learning Partnership. We are very much connected with all the schools in the city of Bristol.



About the school

Adam Barber has been the Headteacher since 2004 and has led the school through three consecutive outstanding Ofsted inspections. The school continues to develop and improve, never resting on its laurels.





Welcome to our school

When you arrive at the front gate, you will see just what a beautiful green site we have!

Parents are asked to drop off and pick up on the lawn in front of the school.

Children enter the secure area of the playground, and make their way to their classrooms.

Have a beautiful day

The sun always shines, metaphorically at least, at Henleaze Junior School. Your child will be challenged, inspired, and well looked after by our highly experienced team of teachers and support staff.





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We look forward to getting to know
you.