

Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

Learning together - enjoying success - aiming high - celebrating difference – enriching community

Weekly Newsletter – 10th June 2020

".....commitment to ensuring that all pupils are afforded the best opportunity to achieve

is at the centre of every decision' OFSTED July 2017

Chair of Governors: Niema Bohrayba

ANOTHER GREAT WEEK AT HAYTOR VIEW!

This week has been another great week at Haytor View, whether children have been engaging with the website activities, making their own activities or coming into school and taking part in activities, we have had a lot of purposeful fun taking place!



We have continued to enjoy hearing about how you are spending your time, have loved the messages and photos you have been sending in, it really supports us in maintaining contact with your child as well as providing us with ideas of other activities we can suggest.

We will continue to update the website each week and you can look to the class pages or the 'Other Fun Activities' sections for ideas. Do let us know if you want more, or different, from the suggestions that we have made.

Our school team will continue to call to say 'hello' to you and your children, thank you in anticipation of the time you will be giving us. Please feel free to contact us in the usual way if you want to talk anything through,

DON'T FORGET – IF IN DOUBT JUST VISIT OUR WEBSITE <u>www.haytorview.devon. sch.uk</u> FOR ADVICE, GUIDANCE & SUPPORT OR CONTACT US:-

School Gateway; Email <u>admin@haytorview.devon.sch.uk</u>; Tel. 01626 203040

MOVING FORWARD – NEXT STEPS

By now you will have received our letter outlining our hopes and plans for provision in school from Monday 22nd June. These plans will now see all children from Reception – Year 6 being offered the opportunity to get into school this term, to be with their teacher and friends, and reconnect.

We hope that these opportunities re-ignite children's sense of place in school, remind them of the important connection that we all share and give new momentum to communications during the rest of this term, whether via the website, email or phone. We are keen to continue to hear from parents and children – opportunities to talk with you are genuinely one of the highlights of our work.

As we move forward can we express our continuing gratitude and respect for all of our parents and families – your patience and appreciation of the challenges that we have faced this term has been very welcome. A special shout out goes to those parents who are keyworkers. Their considered and careful use of the provision for their children, accessing this only when required, has enabled us the capacity, with hope, to share four weeks from 22nd June where so many of our children will once again get to walk through the school gates and re-establish their links with Haytor View, their teachers and friends.

ARE YOU ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEAL SUPPORT?

All of our families entitled to free school meals are now receiving shopping vouchers or lunches delivered daily to their door. We are continuing to have families who have just discovered that they are entitled to free school meals and we have been able to assist them in accessing this support.



Are you wondering whether recent changes mean that you may now be entitled to free school meals? If your child does qualify for this provision you are currently entitled to £15 in food vouchers each week, or freshly made packed lunches delivered to you.

Please contact us on 01626 203040 if you want support to explore whether you are eligible.

YOUNG MINDS PARENT SURVIVAL GUIDE – THE WELL BEING TOOLKIT

Make sure they know you love them and are proud of them. Even when things are busy or stressful, and it feels like you are in survival mode, a word or a hug can reassure them a huge amount . Praise them for what they do well, and encourage them to try new things. Email wellbeingenguiries@youngdevon.org and someone will get back to you as soon as they can.

TALKWORKS – DEPRESSION AND ANXIETY SERVICE

TALKWORKS was formally The Depression and Anxiety Service and managed by Devon Partnership NHS Trust. TALKWORKS is a free, confidential, talking therapy service for adults (18+).

The COVID19 Pandemic is undoubtedly going to cause widespread challenges with our county's mental health and wellbeing – arising from the effects of isolation, loss of jobs, grief and trauma responses, as well as aggravating other existing mental health difficulties. Mental health services will play a vital role in the recovery phase, and we are already gearing up for our workforce to be proactively adapting to this.

TALKWORKS are accepting self-referrals and referrals from professionals. In order to keep staff and patients safe, they are not currently running groups or face to face appointments. All of the initial assessments are being conducted over the telephone, they are now set up to also deliver therapy via webcam if that is someone's preference.

The easiest way to refer is to use the short form on the website and a member of the admin team will then be in touch to arrange the assessment. South & West TALKWORKS, Sherborne House, Newton Abbot tel: 300 555 3344 www.dpt.nhs.uk / https://www.talkworks.dpt.nhs.uk/

KEEP SAFE ON OUR BEACHES

As families begin to venture out to beaches and the coast it is notable that there are fewer lifeguards than ever patrolling and keeping us safe due to the ongoing pandemic. This means it is more important than ever to keep our families and ourselves safe while we have fun.

The RNLI have launched a campaign with the theme 'Protect Your Family - Follow Safety Advice - Save Lives'. Details of the campaign messages, and what you can do to keep your family safe are found at rnli.org/pages/beach2020.

There are also links to loads of activities, videos and fun stuff to do - just click on 'Educational Resources'. Keep safe near the sea!

CELEBRATING SUCCESS – 'GOOD TO BE ME!'

We are encouraging families to spend a moment to share the success of the children who are doing things that make them happy at home. We'd love to hear your comments about what you and your child have got up to this week. You know how to get in touch!

'This week I had fun when I . . . '

SAFEGUARDING – EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

Concerned about a child or if you need help parenting your child you can call 0345 155 1071 or email mashsecure@devon.gcsx.gov.uk. Out of hours please call 0845 6000 388. If it is an emergency dial 999.

THAT FOODBANK

Feel free to contact them direct (01626 437310) or speak contact the school if you would like an introduction to the service – please don't wait until you are going short – having food provided can ease pressure in other areas of household costs too.

GOVERNMENT HANDWASHING ADVICE

The most important thing individuals can do to protect themselves is to wash their hands more often. Soap and water and regular handwashing for at least 20 seconds is the best way of staying safe.

Hand washing with soap employs mechanical action that loosens bacteria and viruses from the skin, rinsing them into the drain. Drying hands afterwards makes the skin less hospitable to the virus.









