



# Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

## Weekly Newsletter – 14<sup>th</sup> October 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**

### **COMING ONTO THE SCHOOL SITE DURING THE SCHOOL DAY**

There are occasions where parents need to access the school site during the school day. On occasion this may see parents being in the vicinity of the children who will be going about their daily activities. Whilst we appreciate it is difficult, we must ask parents to resist the temptation to engage with children known to them as doing so impacts on the wider safety measures of the school.

Each unit in the school is self contained and we are required by the Government and Public Health England to be able to detail any contact the 'bubble' has had with other adults and children outside of the school bubble.

Any additional or unplanned contact during the school day potentially compromises the safety bubbles. We are required by the Local Authority and Government to impose clear expectations regarding site access and the management of visitors in order to maintain the safety and integrity of each bubble and we appreciate your support keeping your children safe in this regard.

### **WE NEED TO ASK FOR YOUR HELP TO KEEP US ALL SAFE!**

- **Arrive not too early, for drop-off and pick up – as close to 8.30am and 3.15pm as possible please.**
- **Follow the 'in' and 'out' lanes on the Queensway drive.**
- **Keep all children close to you when on the school site.**
- **Keep moving away from the school gates to prevent any 'pinch points' at busy times.**



### **HANDS, FACE, SPACE – A MESSAGE FROM THE LOCAL AUTHORITY**

We have been asked by the Local Authority to ensure that we are supporting parents in keeping alert and staying safe during drop off and pick up times, particularly around school gates where it has been identified as a problem area due to parents congregating ahead of children entering and leaving the school site.

Further to this, we have been asked to keep a watching brief regarding whether we request that parents wear face masks when dropping children off and collecting children from school. Whilst we are not introducing that at this stage, we need to remind you that the number of Coronavirus cases in Teignbridge is increasing, therefore if you wish to wear a face mask when dropping off or collecting your child we happily support this step.



**For all parents in order to keep the current arrangements in place we must insist that:**

- **Parents are to arrive as close to 8.35am and 3.15pm as possible;**
- **DO NOT arrive unnecessarily early as this leads to a queue of parents waiting ahead of the times above.**

## **IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS WE ARE STILL AVAILABLE:**

We know it is an unusual time, as we all get used to a way of working which sees teachers have such restricted direct contact with parents. However, we are committed to ensuring that all parents and children are effectively supported during this time and are keen to ensure we are available to you.

- If you have any concerns you wish to discuss please contact us and we will arrange a time to speak with you either in person or on the phone, you can contact us via the:
  1. School Gateway;
  2. School email address [admin@haytorview.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@haytorview.devon.sch.uk);
  3. Speaking with school staff via telephone 01626 203040;



## **WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK?**

Each week we try to give you an update on what was happening 'next' at Haytor View to keep you 'in the picture' as we look to ensure all aspects of school is not unnecessarily compromised in these COVID-19 times.

- 1) Mrs Galling attended a Remote Learning Webinar, to support us in making arrangements in the event of school closure or if a child is self isolating as a result of COVID-19. We will be further developing our strategy over future weeks;
- 2) Mrs Brown attended a virtual meeting for Business Managers;
- 3) Mrs Galling met with the Educational Psychologist to discuss Educational Psychology support for this year;
- 4) Teachers have been meeting to discuss the transition of classes and children after half term, in order to support a fluid process;
- 5) Transition newsletters will be coming out to all children and parents this week, to update you on arrangements;
- 6) Mr Franklin delivered a virtual conference to local schools, supporting their delivery of science;
- 7) Mrs Brown attended a meeting with our school meals provider (Chartwells) to review arrangements;



As we said last week, we are all getting used to attending events and engaging with support virtually!

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL YEAR 6 PARENTS WANTING A SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACE IN SEPTEMBER 2021**

The application process for requesting secondary school places **will CLOSE on Saturday 31st October 2020.**

The easiest way to apply is online by visiting [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline)  
If families don't wish to or can't apply online, they can contact the customer service centre on 0345 155 1019. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.



## **FLU VACCINATION CLINIC IN SCHOOL TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2020**

Please remember to complete the electronic parental consent by visiting:

<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2020/devon> **before Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October.**

We look forward to supporting Virgin Care help you to keep your children fit and healthy over the winter months.



## **CELEBRATING SUCCESS – 'NEW BEGINNINGS'**

This week we are encouraging classes to celebrate the way in which they are thinking about how they have comfort with who they are as they look to move onto their next class.

### **'I make an active contribution to the classroom community'**

- Mrs Galling has nominated: Kayden Grant
- Mr Hampton has nominated: William Gidley
- Miss Hall has nominated: Whitney Hughes
- Mr Franklin has nominated: Maizey Woodmore
- Miss Cameron has nominated: Zach Matheson
- Mr Whitty has nominated: Katherine McMahon
- Mrs Russell has nominated: Natalie Styles
- Miss Shopland has nominated: Scarlett Smith
- Mr Hankin has nominated: Caleb Sims and Maisie Anderson



## **ATTENDANCE**

Please find below the attendance information for each class last week, outstanding effort. Well done to Mrs Russell's class!



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Mr Whitty Years 4 & 5	Mrs Russell Years 4 & 5	Year 6
98.4%	97.3%	99.3%	98.7%	95.4%	100%	99.1%