



Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

Weekly Newsletter – 20th May 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

MAY HALF TERM – MONDAY 25TH TO FRIDAY 29TH MAY

- School will be closed to Key Worker Children and Vulnerable Children during half term.
- While there won't be any new information posted on the website during half term we hope that there are plenty of ideas on the website to keep you busy if you wish to use these during the break – if you have any other needs with regard to home learning do get in touch with us this week.
- We hope you and your family have a lovely Spring Bank Holiday!



WELL DONE TO THE CHILDREN & FAMILIES OF HAYTOR VIEW!

We hope that this newsletter again finds you all safe and well and that you are enjoying the sunshine – with more expected for half term and carefully easing lockdown rules perhaps you'll give yourselves the treat of getting out somewhere.



What a week it has been at Haytor View, again we have greatly enjoyed everything you have been telling us about how you are spending your time and the activities you have been delving into on the website. Do let us know if you want more, or different, from the suggestions that we have made.

Among all of the media headlines and stories happening around us, we have been sharing with you our next steps towards widening the provision in school for more children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. As things stand these changes will take place from 1st June and we will no doubt hear from the media if this date changes during the half term break. Whether or not the date changes be assured that the staff team will be here on Monday 1st June in the hope that we will be able to say welcome back to our first group of children to return. **Should the date change during the half term break we hope to message all parents, however please keep an eye on the news as this will likely be our first notification of a change in plans.**

On the subject of taking careful next steps, thanks to each and every parent that has been in touch to share perspectives and explore concerns this week – we have valued each of these discussions and we hope that they have been useful to you. They have certainly supported us in being able to offer provision that we think best fits these very unusual circumstances.

We fully understand concerns expressed, it's a difficult time with tricky decisions to be made. We would continue to encourage anyone who wishes, whether comfortable or uncomfortable with our proposed next steps, to get in touch using the usual means – webpage, School Gateway or telephone. Our details are at the bottom of this page. We are always happy to be spend time hearing from you.

To support parents' and children's awareness, we'll be sharing photos of classrooms prepared for returning children on class pages of the school website over the next few days so please take a look.

We wish you an enjoyable half term break, with hopefully better news to come over the forthcoming weeks.

www.haytorview.devon.sch.uk

FOR ADVICE, GUIDANCE & SUPPORT OR JUST A CHAT, CONTACT US:-

School Gateway; Email admin@haytorview.devon.sch.uk; Tel. 01626 203040

Video-Chatting - A guide for parents of primary school children

Check out another new link on our website www.haytorview.devon.sch.uk. Many primary-school aged children will not have used video-chatting apps and services before the current COVID-19 lockdown.



If you go to the Parents page on the website and follow the 'Keeping Children Safe Online' link you'll find a useful parents guide on video-chatting for children up to the age of 11. It'll take five minutes, and you may discover something useful - there's never been a more important time to keep your child safe online!

NSPCC MESSAGE – EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

Whether you're working from home with your kids for the first time or supporting children with anxiety due to coronavirus, we've got tips and advice for you.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/coronavirus-advice-support-children-families-parents/>

NSPCC

ARE YOU ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEAL SUPPORT?

We are really pleased to be able to say that all of our families entitled to free school meals are now receiving shopping vouchers or lunches delivered daily to their door. We even have some families who have just discovered that they are entitled to 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 to explore this.



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 was interesting because . . .'

LOOKING AFTER OUR WELL BEING – 'WHAT IS IN OUR KITCHEN CUPBOARDS?'

There has been lots on the news regarding food shopping, the difficulty of buying ingredients. Over recent weeks there have been several food programs which have provided helpful advice on which ingredients work hard and serve us well.

With this in mind, we are going to put a section on our newsletter over the next few weeks, sharing some of these 'foodie tips' from the BBC Good Food website. If you press 'control and click' on the text in blue below this will take you to the BBC website which will have some tasty recipes using the ingredients.

CANNED FRUIT AND VEGETABLES Have a long shelf life and usually inexpensive to buy:

- **Canned tomatoes** are possibly the most versatile ingredient to have in your cupboard – use them for easy [pasta sauces](#), [one-pot recipes](#), homemade [tomato soups](#) or a weekend [shakshuka](#).
- Other canned vegetables such as **peas**, **sweetcorn** and **green beans** can be useful to have on standby, but you may wish to opt for freezer versions – veggies generally retain more of their nutrients when frozen and will be just as convenient to use.
- Canned fruit such as **peaches** and **mandarins** will help you rustle up a speedy dessert in a pinch – see our [tinned fruit collection](#) for ideas – whereas **pineapple** can be used for [sweet and sour](#) sauces and in savoury recipes such as [pineapple fried rice](#).
- **Beans** (such as [kidney beans](#), [butter beans](#) and [cannellini beans](#)) are a great source of fibre and protein and can be used to create delicious [vegetarian chillis](#), [bean stews](#), [soups](#) and [veggie burgers](#).
- **Lentils** can be canned, ready to use or dried – both are brilliant for bulking up soups and stews, adding texture to [salads](#) or making a batch of comforting [dhal](#). Learn more about the [different types of lentils](#).
- **Chickpeas** are another affordable way to bulk up your batch cooking. Discover aromatic [chickpea curries](#), make fresh [falafel](#) or whizz up a batch of homemade [hummus](#).



BASIC INGREDIENTS – we'll add to this list each week:

- **Oils** (such as sunflower, vegetable, rapeseed or olive oil) is regularly used in cooking such as frying.
- **Stock cubes** (vegetable, chicken and beef) can be crumbled into one-pots for instant added flavour and can be used in sauces and gravy, too. Low-salt stock cubes are also available.