

# Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

## Weekly Newsletter – 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021

*'.....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: Robert Doets

#### **HALF TERM ONE HAS BEEN AND ALMOST GONE!**

Well what a half term it has been! There have been so many successes to celebrate and far too many for us to list, however here are a few that we are pleased to have spotted.

1. Smiling, happy children spending time with friends;
2. Children and parents/carers sharing Contact Books and sending them between home and school;
3. Parents/Carers and children positively saying goodbye and greeting when back together - giving a cuddle at the start and end of the day – it makes such a difference;
4. Children proudly wearing their school uniform;
5. Children in class saying 'I can do this' and 'I enjoyed that';
6. Children recognising that their adults in school are there to care for them, make them feel special and help them when things don't feel quite right – and seeking them out when they need to!



We are always appreciative of the support, patience and consideration demonstrated by children and Parents/Carers. This term it has really given children a brilliant start to the school year, so thank-you.

By now you should have seen our plans for moving forward with changes in school in line with more relaxed guidance around COVID-19. **When we return from half term on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November there will be no changes to current arrangements. Our next steps forward take effect from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November.** We'll remind you of the changes in our first newsletter next term. Please keep talking to us as we seek to navigate the way forward in a manner which fits for children and adults – we are always keen to hear your perspective.

As always please be confident in sharing with us any questions you have and successes or challenges you are experiencing – we will always try to make any approach you make to us worth your while. You know how to get in touch:

- School Gateway;
- School email address [admin@haytorview.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@haytorview.devon.sch.uk);
- Speaking with school staff via telephone 01626 203040.

#### **NON PUPIL DAY - FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER**

- School will be **closed on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** for staff training.
- Half Term is from **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October.**
- Children will return to school on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November.**



#### **FLU VACCINATION CLINIC IN SCHOOL**

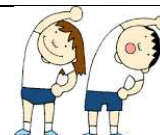


This year, children in **Reception, Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6** are being offered flu vaccinations, therefore we have been working together with Virgin Care to enable them to manage this in a straightforward way (the vaccination being provided is a nasal spray).

The clinic will take place on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November in school** and we will be in contact again once we have the online link for you to give your permission.

## PE KITS – SUPPORTING GOOD HYGIENE

Please can parents remind their children to take their PE kit home for washing over the half term break. Thank you!



## HOW TO STAY SAFE AT HALLOWEEN

Halloween will take place for the second time during a global pandemic, children enjoy dressing up and having fun during Halloween. Here are a few reminders to supporting your child in keeping safe:

- Experts are recommending children social distance.
- They are also suggesting limiting party sizes and indoor events.
- The Delta variant is more transmissible, especially among children, and is causing more hospitalizations for children than any other time in the pandemic.
- Keep your child at home if they are sick.



## COFFEE AND CAKE GROUP – TUESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER

Following an extended break due to COVID, we are pleased to share that we are making 'EAT' available for parents each Tuesday morning after half term between 9.00am and 10.00am for the Coffee and Cake Group.

For those unfamiliar with this tradition, this space is used for parents to get together over coffee and cake, catch-up and, amongst other things, explore possible ways in which the school can be supported through fun and appealing fund-raising activities. In the past the team have sat behind projects large and small, supporting Summer and Christmas Fetes as well as bakes sales and craft days. It's a relaxed way to get to know other parents and the school more closely and everyone is welcome.



There may be a rota developed to provide the cake once things settle down, but this is the extent of commitment needed! Nothing formal, just relaxed time among fellow parents and carers. Feel free to join in - just go to the office at the front of the building on Tuesday morning and you'll be shown through. First get-together will be Tuesday 2nd November.

## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK & ODD SOCKS DAY – MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

Anti-Bullying Week is always an important week in our school calendar and this year starts with 'Odd Socks Day' on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November. Wearing odd socks demonstrates our shared recognition of Anti-Bullying Week and the connection that we have in thinking about this together. Please help your child to feel part of the week and kit them out in odd socks for the day.



The start of the week will be marked, on Monday morning, with two assemblies in the hall – one for Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) and another for Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2). The assemblies will focus upon the theme of this year's Anti-Bullying Week 'One Kind Word'. We will be recognising and celebrating how simple words can make a difference to how people feel.

Throughout the week learning will be taking place in classrooms focussed upon 'One Kind Word' and the need to speak to adults that you trust when people are treating you in a way that leads you to feel uncomfortable.

## THAT FOODBANK SUPPORT

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.



## ATTENDANCE

Please find below the attendance information for each class last week, outstanding effort. Well done!



OVERALL	Found B1 SB	Found B2 SJP	Year 1 RH	Year 2 IF	Year 3 SB	Year 4 MC	Year 5 JM	Year 6 GH
91.6%	89.6%	90.3%	94.4%	88.7%	95.8%	90.7%	90%	93%

## SAFEGUARDING – EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

If you are 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](mailto:mashsecure@devon.gcsx.gov.uk). Out of hours please call 0845 6000 388. If it is an emergency dial 999. Should you have any safeguarding concerns the Designated Safeguarding Leads at the school are: Mrs Galling and Mr Hampton.

