



# Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

## Weekly Newsletter – 21<sup>st</sup> April 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: Niema Bohrayba**

### **WELCOME – IT'S GREAT TO SEE YOU ALL!**

It has been marvellous seeing children and families joining us back at school this week, and what a week it has been! It is no wonder the sun has been shining, it has had a lot to smile on!



As always the children have bounded into school with beaming smiles and an eagerness to get back into class. There has been lots of laughter, chatting, catching up with friends and adults.

In assemblies and classrooms we have spent some time sharing children's experiences from the Easter break, as well as exploring the feelings of being reunited. Children in Key Stage 2 have been clear that nervous as well as happy feelings come with the return to school. Given the experiences of the last year that children have lived this is so understandable and important to recognise. In their relatively short lives, like in our longer ones, any progress being made towards things returning to some sort of normal must feel very tentative – even as adults we can see ourselves being really wary about what might happen next can't we? We're keen that the experiences of all children in school consider their needs and feelings, comfortable and uncomfortable, so that we can build on the super work that you have done in supporting them over the last 12 months.

With all this in mind we are spending time reconnecting with the children's prior learning in order to build on the solid foundations we have been striving to maintain during what has been a disrupted year.

Whilst we appreciate the difficulties of not having our usual 'accessible' building and staff, we want you to continue to be confident in that whatever questions you have, whatever challenges you are experiencing, please remember we are here to support you – we are always keen to hear from you.

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.

### **LET'S KEEP OUR SITE COVID SECURE**

**We all have a responsibility to keep each other safe and comfortable at the start and end of the school day.**

**Key points** for you to remember as we seek to keep the school safe are:-

- Drop-off and pick-up are from 8.30 - 9.00am each morning and at 3.15pm at the end of the day.
- Maintain your distance from others during this time - guidelines still suggest 2 metres.
- Wear a face mask if this helps you to feel more comfortable for yourself and others.
- Arrive as close to the end of the day as possible to avoid difficulties with distancing. Arriving early means queues and makes distancing difficult.
- Always keep your children and family members close at all times – for their own safety and comfort, as well as that of others.
- Follow the entrance and exit lanes on the school driveway.
- We would ask that only one parent/carer manages pick up/drop-off to keep the number of people on the school site as small as possible.
- Keep moving on site once you have picked up your children – this will avoid 'jams' in key areas.



**Be aware of others around you at all times – keep each other safe and comfortable.**

## WELCOME BACK TO MR WHITTY

We are delighted to welcome Mr Whitty back to school, as he continues his recovery from COVID. You will be aware that Mr Whitty has been engaged with his recovery over a number of months, as he regains his fitness he will be spending some time in the Year 6 class working alongside Mr Hankin and spending some much anticipated time with the children.

Initially we will only be seeing him for a short amount of time each day, therefore in order to not disrupt the learning of the Year 3 and 4 children, we felt that initially Mr Whitty would be better supported in his recovery with Year 6. Of course, we know the Year 3 and 4 children will be pleased to catch up with him, and will have the opportunity to give him a wave or say 'hello' as they see him spending time in school.



We continue to wish Mr Whitty well as he makes this next important step in his recovery, and are looking to Year 6 to give him a warm welcome.

## BANK HOLIDAY DATE

- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May – May Day Bank Holiday



## SCHOOL DINNER MONEY PRICE INCREASE

Please can we remind you that the price of a school meal is now **£2.40**. This will see 5 meals costing **£12.00 per week**. Remember if your circumstances have changed, or you are unsure if you qualify for free school meals, do get in touch with our office team – they can explore this with you quickly and painlessly. **If you are entitled to support it's important that you get it.**



## WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT HAYTOR VIEW THIS WEEK?

As the school springs back into action, we'll seek to keep you up to date with everything that has been happening:

- The school field is starting to be used for break and lunchtimes
- Assemblies have taken place in bubbles;
- Mr Hankin has attended a Primary Maths course;
- All school based staff have been engaged in THRIVE training;
- We have welcomed a number of new children into our school – our community grows!

*This Week*

## CELEBRATING SUCCESS – 'EVERY CHILD HAS COMFORT WITH WHO THEY ARE'

This week we are encouraging children to celebrate the way in which they engage with the school's Core Offer, particularly how they are connecting with those around them as part of our focus on 'relationships'. We will be celebrating achievements in Bubble Celebration Assemblies throughout Friday morning. We look forward to a time when parents can join us again for these get-togethers.

### *'I'm able to make a positive contribution when working as part of a group'*

- Mrs Galling has nominated: Aaliyah Harry
- Mr Hampton has nominated: Anna Collins
- Miss Butler has nominated: Lilly-Jane Escott and Alexa Kelly
- Mrs Penn has nominated: Sam Dartnall
- Miss Hall has nominated: Lewi Little
- Miss Cameron has nominated: Freddie Walters
- Mrs Brown has nominated: Libby Bush
- Mrs Cousins has nominated: Izzy Davis
- Miss Shopland has nominated: Ellalee Jenkin
- Mr Hankin has nominated: Megan Miles



## ATTENDANCE

Please find below the attendance information for each class the last week of term, outstanding effort.



Well done!

OVERALL	Found B1 SB	Found B2 SJP	Year 1 RH	Year 2 IF	Year 3 JW / SB	Year 4 MC	Year 5 AS	Year 6 GH
94.2%	84.6%	87.5%	97.9%	92.8%	96.3%	96.1%	99.1%	90.6%