

Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

Weekly Newsletter – 26th April 2023

'.....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

SO MUCH GOING ON!

Is it really only the second week back together following the Easter break? With so much going on it's difficult to believe isn't it!

You'll find information below about our plans to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles as well as more about what is going on around school.

You will already know that we will be restricted in the provision that we are offering tomorrow, Thursday 27th April, and Tuesday 2nd May. Thanks to you all for your understanding around this, and to those teachers taking action who have shared their plans with us so that we can take an organised approach to provision on those days.

We look forward to bringing you and your children a summer term to enjoy, learn and remember.



CHARTWELLS TASTING SESSION

This week Carl (a chef from our catering company Chartwells) came into school for a taste testing session with years 1, 2 and 3. We learned about our senses and how they influence the food we eat. We found it quite tricky to describe taste. We tried chocolate, Vimto and pink cucumber! It was really enjoyable and look forward to welcoming back Carl in the future.



WELCOME BACK MR HANKIN!

The pupils in year 6 are pleased to have welcomed Mr Hankin back into class following the Easter Holidays and his time away from us before the break. The Year 6 team are already well into focussing upon Maths, Reading and Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling as we make sure, together, that children are as well-prepared as possible to show what they can do in the upcoming SATS tests which take place from Tuesday 9th May – Friday 12th May. Mr Hankin will be dropping parents a line with more details about these tests shortly.

HELP WITH COST OF LIVING – PAYMENTS FROM GOVERNMENT - £900

Do you receive any of the following payments - Universal Credit; Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance; Income Support; Working Tax Credit; Child Tax Credit; Pension Credit?

If you do you should be receiving £301 as the first instalment of £900 between 25th April and 17th May (with further payments coming in the Autumn 2023 and Spring 2024). This money will come straight into your bank account - next to it will be your NI number and the letters 'DWP COL'.

Keep an eye out for this money if you qualify - if you believe you should receive it and don't, you should contact the office that pays your benefits or tax credits for more information.

Please talk to us if you are struggling with the current cost of living crisis - we may be able to help. Even simply sharing your concerns may allow you to feel more comfortable.

CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

You will have heard last week about our plans for a Haytor View Family Picnic on Friday 5th May to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III which will take place the following day. We look forward to seeing you there and would point you in the direction of last week's letter on School Gateway for details of timings.



With the support of the Coffee & Cake team we are also pleased to be commemorating this special day by issuing every child in school with a special bookmark on Friday 5th May. We hope that this be a lasting reminder of what will be a very special day for the country.



THE POWER OF PLAY

What we think of as childhood now may feel different to your experiences and those of your parents and previous generations. Although the world may have changed, we feel strongly at Haytor View that children remain the same – **still wanting time to play and be with their friends.** All current research states that time spent outdoors is time well spent. Children who play outdoors move more, sleep more, eat better, are happier and care about the planet

more...they are even less likely to need glasses! We recognise that with the busy lives we all lead it can be harder to find and create opportunities for children to play safely, particularly outdoors. So, throughout the Summer Term we will post regular ideas and suggestions to support you in supporting your children to play.

This week's idea is outdoor chalking!

Chalk washes off with water so is easy to clean (especially with April showers!) and is easy to pop in your bag and take out with you.

To keep chalking fun and interesting, how about trying:

- To use as much space as possible, such as a pavement or park.
- Experiment with the chalk – crush it, make it into powder, make it wet etc
- Introduce classic games such as hop scotch, noughts and crosses or hangman.



PLAYLEADER NOMINATIONS FOR POSITIVE PLAY

We are really pleased that our playleaders, who meet after school each Monday, and have been supporting play at dinnertimes have been keen to nominate children that they see demonstrating positive play behaviours.

The children that they have noticed this week who will be receiving certificates in assembly this Friday are: **Lorenzo Santos, George Hurrell** and **Anna Collins.**

Congratulations to you all, and many thanks to our playleaders. Watch this space for more nominations in coming weeks.



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 upon 'Relationships'. Children are currently spending time thinking about understanding and recognising the value of friendship, family and other relationships, as well communication and conflict resolution.

They will also be thinking about the British Value of Respectful Attitudes, developing and demonstrating our understanding of mutual respect, recognising that our behaviours have an effect on our rights and the rights of people around us.

This week teachers will be paying special consideration to those children who demonstrate the following:

'I show that I understand how important rules, principles and laws are in my world and the part I have to play in supporting them.'

- Mr Hampton has nominated Logan West
- Miss Butler has nominated Henry Wells and Teddy Moore
- Mrs Penn has nominated Jack Lewis and Tommy Darke
- Mr Franklin has nominated Amelia-Lilly Grant
- Miss Hall has nominated Jake Harry
- Miss Cameron has nominated Reuben Grant
- Mrs Cousins has nominated Lily Ferris
- Mrs Brown has nominated Alfred Gidley and Alice Hobbs
- Miss Shopland has nominated Alistair Waldron
- Miss Manley has nominated Maizey Woodmore
- Mr Hankin has nominated Harry Manley and Izzy Davis
- Mrs Russell has nominated Gracie Barlow and mark Veinberger



ATTENDANCE

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



OVERALL	Nursery B2 SJP	Reception B1 SB	Year 1 RH	Year 2 IF	Year 3 MC	Year 4 SB	Year 5 JM	Year 6 GH
94.6	93.6	95.8	93.8	97.8	93.1	96.6	96.3	89.6