



# Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

## Weekly Newsletter – 27<sup>th</sup> January 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**

### **THANK YOU FOR TALKING TO US**

This week the Haytor View Community has been as busy as ever, the phones have been ringing (including our new class mobiles!), the Gateway has been buzzing, there has been the chatter of voices as children enter the setting – importantly there has been the sharing of experiences.

What we are hearing is that you are doing a great job of 'ignoring the noise' which is surrounding us all at the moment and focussing upon your own needs and those of your family. We are pleased that we are being asked lots of questions, parents are talking to us about their children's needs and we have been able to find all sorts of ways forward which support both children and parents.

Engaging with school at this time has seen some children access in-school provision, others collecting printed learning, while some have been able to access remote learning activities and opportunities through laptops and tablets. Once again we're pleased that you are talking to us where this is proving tricky so that we can help.

We are pleased that families whose children are entitled to free school meals are accessing vouchers successfully and can expect this to continue as normal during half term.

As always, whatever questions you have, whatever challenges you are experiencing, please remember we are here to support you. What we are finding, is that any questions asked are ones which we are able to positively help with, which is supporting families, children and of course us – happy children continue to be the priority for us all. Remember that we're always pleased to hear from you.

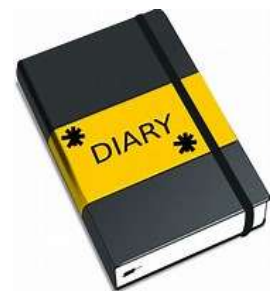
As always you can get in touch using the following means:

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 – or on our new mobiles – see the next page!

### **DIARY REMINDER**

February – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> are staff training days that had been planned into the school year before the pandemic arose. Therefore the school will be closed on these days to all pupils, including those accessing in-school provision at the moment. Also there will be no remote learning provision taking place on these 2 days as teachers will be engaged with learning of their own.

Half term is Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February.



**So....School will be CLOSED Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February.  
Children will return Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.**

## **VOUCHER UPDATE**

Thank you for any queries you have shared with us regarding provision of meal vouchers, this has greatly assisted us in supporting you in accessing your vouchers.

Jan Brown, our Business Manager is now working on setting up the voucher allocation for the Half Term break, following the recent announcement that vouchers will be issued.

If you want to check whether you might be entitled to meal vouchers, **up to £15 per pupil per week**, please contact the school office who will be more than happy to work with you to check whether you are eligible.



## **SIMPLE LOCKDOWN ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN**

The nation has learned a lot about how to keep ourselves sufficiently entertained recently, as time passes however it will not be getting easier to keep ourselves busy and support children in having fun during this time.

Beyond our remote learning experiences, here are a few ideas that you might enjoy that we grabbed from the internet:

### **Make a scrapbook or memory box**

- Grab your child's favourite little trinkets, along with old tickets from fun days out, drawings, photographs and whatever else you wish and put them in a scrapbook or box together for safe keeping.

### **Story time**

- Take it in turns to read stories to each other. Try to use different voices for each character, to really make the tale come alive.

### **Make birthday cards**

- Make a note of all of your loved ones birthdays' coming up. Then start making extra personalised cards for each of them with photos, drawings, glitter or whatever you have to hand.



## **CONTACT DETAILS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS**

Getting hold of parents quickly has never been more important, please can you make sure that if the school have your most recent contact numbers, in the event of an emergency. Please contact the school office if you would like to check whether we have your up to date numbers or if you wish to change your contact details. Thank you!



## **WEARING OF FACE COVERINGS**

Thank you for your consideration of wearing face coverings during drop off and collection times, this really supports our school in being a safe environment for our children, parents and staff.



## **CELEBRATING SUCCESS – 'GOING FOR GOALS'**

This week we are encouraging children to celebrate the way in which they engage with the school's Core Offer, particularly independence with their learning. Whilst we are not together to share in the celebration, we hope you might be able to take some time at home to reflect on your child's efforts.

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

- Mrs Galling has nominated: Thomas Vaughan and Precious Pike
- Mr Hampton has nominated: Masty Shaho
- Miss Butler has nominated: Adam Hobbs
- Mrs Penn has nominated: Mason Hunter
- Miss Hall has nominated: Logan Brailey
- Mr Franklin has nominated: Rueben Baxter
- Miss Cameron has nominated: Kieran Pike
- Mrs Brown has nominated: Rio Hughes
- Mrs Cousins has nominated: Finley Doets
- Miss Shopland has nominated: Ryan Rea
- Mr Hankin has nominated: Kelsey Anderson



## **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.



## **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, Mr Hampton and Mrs Tancock

