



Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

Weekly Newsletter – 2nd March 2022

'.....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

WELCOME BACK!

We hope you had a lovely half term, following a very busy start to 2022! The children as always have bounced into school happy and eager to get on with their learning. We are hopeful, as we know you will be, that this half term will see us move on from the many challenges that COVID brought to the school and families before the break.



The arrival of half term saw us say farewell to Penny Spencer who has been a valued member of the Foundation Stage team since the start of the year. We send our thanks and best wishes to Penny who will be valuing the time that she is now able to spend with her family.

As we move forward we are hopeful of a less disrupted half term that will enable everyone to experience the stability and continuity we'd achieved during the Autumn term and first few weeks of this year. As always, if you have any questions about your child's health or learning and development please get in touch with us – we will make sure that you receive the time that you need with the people that can help.

'LIVING WITH COVID-19' – WHAT THIS MEANS FOR HAYTOR VIEW

Following the government announcement last week new guidance has been issued to schools to support their safe and appropriate operation moving forward. We wrote to parents and staff sharing these details yesterday – take a look on School Gateway or the school website if you missed this.

In summary:-

- Regular asymptomatic testing for COVID is no longer advised – schools will no longer be issuing test kits to staff
- Arrangements for self-isolation where people test positive remain the same as previously – early exit from self-isolation can take place where two consecutive negative test results are received 5 days after symptoms started.
- The school will continue to be well-ventilated and cleaned, with good hygiene practices among staff and children supported.
- Face coverings are no longer advised for pupils/visitors or staff in classrooms or communal areas. **As such we will no longer be requesting that parents wear masks during Time to Think, or when visiting reception at the front of the school.**
- Arrangements for mask wearing during meetings in closed rooms will be discussed and agreed at the start of meetings to ensure everyone's comfort. **Of course individuals may make their own decision about wearing a mask wherever they wish.**



WORLD BOOK DAY 2022 – TOMORROW!

Don't forget to help your child bring a favourite book into school tomorrow – they will have the chance to share this with others in school and be a part of our World Book Day assembly. They can even dress up as a character from their book if they want! Watch out for the traditional World Book Day vouchers coming your way – these can be exchanged for a special range of books, or give you money off a different title that your child would like. Our World Book Day celebrations will continue next week, when we will have the fabulous 'West End in Schools' team bringing every class storytelling dance workshops. They will be exploring stories like The Gingerbread Man, Where the Wild Things Are, and Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. More World Book Day fun!

DIARY DATE REMINDERS

- World Book Day – Tomorrow, Thursday 3rd March – Bring favourite book - dress up as character if you wish.
- Red Nose Day – Friday 18th March – Dress red – more details in next week's newsletter
- Last day of Spring Term - Friday 8th April
- Start of Summer Term - Monday 25th April



KEY STAGE 1 SHARE THEIR WRITING

Mr Hampton and Mrs Galling were thrilled to be greeted by Charlie, Alfie and Ronnie in Year One, each enthusiastically clutching their book about space. Before half term the children had been learning about rockets, astronauts, asteroids, planets and were keen to make their own books. The boys used their phonics to read back their writing, Charlie had used full stops to demarcate his sentences. Ronnie decided he wanted to write another page about a rocket. Fantastic writing boys, you are writers!



KEEP SAFE BEFORE SCHOOL

The school gates open at 8.30am ahead of doors to classes opening giving access to the courtyard. Please take care of yourselves and your children if you arrive ahead of gates opening. The car park and driveway are in active use during this period. We would encourage you to not allow your children to ride scooters in the car park and driveway area during this time. Help us to keep your children safe before the school gates open.



SCHOOL MEAL PRICE INCREASE FROM 25TH APRIL 2022

Following our recent letter sent home to parents via email (also available to view on the School Gateway app), just a reminder that school meal prices will increase from £2.40 per day to £2.45 per day (£12.25 per week) from 25th April 2022.



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Watch out for information about after school home learning clubs starting in Key Stage 2 next week, with 'Stay and Play' sessions beginning in Key Stage 1. These activities will be taking place each Thursday from 3.15-4.15pm. Make sure that we have your written permission if you would like your child to take part in these sessions.

PANCAKES!

In recognition of Shrove Tuesday, Pancake Day, yesterday, the Coffee & Cake Team of parents have worked with our caterers, Chartwells, to secure pancakes that they will be selling for 20p each in the courtyard at the end of the day on Friday. All monies will go to support the school due to Chartwells' donation of the pancakes free of charge. Thanks to everyone in the Coffee & Cake Team for giving us a sweet Friday!

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 'good to be me'. Children will be spending time thinking about **Good to be Me and Healthy Me**. Children will also be exploring **Respectful Attitudes**: I demonstrate an understanding of mutual respect, I treat people with respect and know that this will influence how people treat and view me. This week teachers will be paying special consideration to those children who demonstrate the following:

'I can collaborate with others and share tasks'

- Mrs Galling has nominated: Zack Sumner
- Mr Hampton has nominated: Lily Ferris
- Miss Butler has nominated: Teddy Moore and Joshua Groft
- Mrs Penn has nominated: Noah Huddart-Wells, Faith Heavens and Halia Macfarlane
- Miss Hall has nominated: Ronnie Waller
- Mr Franklin has nominated: Grace Morris
- Miss Cameron has nominated: Lewi Little
- Mrs Brown has nominated: Kayden Grant
- Mrs Cousins has nominated: Sienna Harry
- Miss Manley has nominated: Elijah Sims
- Mr Hankin has nominated: Lilly Geary and Harry French



ATTENDANCE

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
77.8%	60.6%	86.7%	84%	77.9%	80.4%	80.4%	69.6%	82.8%