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# Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

## Weekly Newsletter – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024

*'Pupils, staff, parents and carers agree that Haytor View School is a happy place to learn'*  
OFSTED March 2023

### Chair of Governors: Robert Doets

#### **FEELING BETTER - THANK-YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

You will be pleased to know that following last week's very unusual spike in Haytor View staff illness, things are getting back to normal and we are looking forward to welcoming back missing team members over the coming days. Pupil attendance has returned to more typical patterns. Thanks to those of you that have been managing challenging times with illness in your household.

We are grateful for your trust in us and for the effort that we know goes in to getting your children into school to be with us when days feel a little unusual and perhaps children are a little under-the-weather but fine to be with us. We are always pleased to talk things through with you if you are unsure whether your child is well enough to be in school so feel free to call us in these circumstances.

With no current 'waves' of illness passing through the school, you can feel comfortable bringing children to school as long as they are healthy – we are not currently enforcing 24/48 hours stay at home following sickness or illness.



With a shorter half term than normal this year due to an early Easter break, make sure that you have in your diaries that school finishes for half term on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February**. Children then return to us on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February**.

#### **CAR PARK – KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE**

Thank-you to everyone for all of your help in keeping the school site safe during pick-up and drop-off times. We are really grateful to everyone for not using the car park during this time - even when parking on Queensway and Sandringham Road, or the weather, makes this a particular challenge.

We of course continue to provide access to those with specific needs - please speak to someone on Reception to explore this if mobility/access presents particular difficulties.



#### **INTERNET SAFETY**

**Parental controls:** Parental controls have been designed to help you manage your child's online activities. There are various types, some of which are free but others which can be bought. However, nothing is totally fool proof so they shouldn't replace the need for you to support and advise your child using the internet. For more information and step by step instructions on setting up parental controls, visit Parental Controls & Privacy Settings Guides - Internet Matters: <https://www.internetmatters.org/>



**Supervise their online activity:** Keep the devices your child uses in communal areas of the house such as the living room or kitchen, where an adult is able to supervise. Primary-age children should not access the internet in private spaces alone, such as in a bedroom or bathroom.

## **NO SMOKING OR VAPING ON SITE PLEASE**

Can we politely request that at pick-up and drop-off, and at all other times that visits are made to the school site, that parents, relatives, friends and visitors **do not smoke or vape anywhere on our school site please**. It is important that we keep our school site smoke and vape free and we thank-you for your support with this.



## **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

Thank you for the real commitment everyone has given in continuing to bring your children to school so well presented.

As you know, we see uniform (clothes and shoes) as providing children with a positive sense of themselves in school, of 'fitting in' and of 'being a part' of the class and school team. Standing apart, even if wearing favourite clothes or trainers, can lead to an underlying sense of discomfort that while not recognised by children, may unsettle them.

Should you have any concerns or difficulties in getting hold of uniform or black shoes please let your child's teacher, or any adult in school know as we have items of, often new, spare clothing which we can pass onto parents.



## **PLAYLEADER NOMINATIONS FOR POSITIVE PLAY**

We are really pleased that our Year 6 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 on Friday are:

**Jacob Field , Miley Field and Jasmine Brooks.**

Congratulations and many thanks to our playleaders.



## **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 how they are demonstrating mutual respect with those around them as part of our focus upon 'Every child sees themselves as a learner'. Children are currently spending time thinking about Goal-setting, aspirations for both themselves and the world and working together.

This sits firmly within the British values of understanding of the value of respect, tolerance of others and an understanding of individual liberty - the right to believe, act and express oneself freely.

The following children will be **celebrated in assembly on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** with a focus upon:

**'I show a really good understanding of how to keep myself safe, including what to do if I feel unsafe.'**

- Mr Hampton has nominated Cyrus McCarthy
- Miss Butler has nominated Henry Thompson
- Mrs Penn has nominated Ruby Brown and Hunter Brown
- Miss Jacob has nominated Kacey-Mae Donald
- Mr Franklin has nominated Louesmie Burrett
- Miss Hall has nominated Ajax Parkins-Harman and Clark Cockman
- Mrs Cousins has nominated Alfie Darke
- Mrs Brown has nominated Lola Bush and Tamera McPeake
- Miss Shopland has nominated Logan Brailey
- Miss Manley has nominated Dillon Treloar
- Mr Hankin has nominated Esme Kiddle and Oscar Waddell
- Mrs Russell has nominated Finley Cooke and Charlie Thompson



## **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: Mr Hampton, Miss Shopland and Miss Butler.



## **ATTENDANCE**

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



OVERALL	Nursery B2 SB & SJP	Reception B1 LJ	Year 1 RH	Year 2 IF	Year 3 MC	Year 4 SB	Year 5 JM	Year 6 GH
87	76.1	70.7	87.2	84.3	95.2	87.5	95.4	94.1