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Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

Weekly Newsletter – 5th January 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

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope you and your family had a lovely Christmas and New Year, everyone at Haytor View wishes you the very best for 2022.



The children arrived back yesterday full of enthusiasm, bursting with energy and keen to tell everyone what they had been doing over the break. Thank-you so much for bringing them back looking great in school uniform and so ready to learn.

Thanks also to everyone for taking the time and trouble to carefully monitor your children's health before their return to us. Your care and attention has seen a number of children testing positive for COVID either on lateral flow tests or PCR tests and as a result staying away from school as we return. While this presents concern and difficulty for all we are grateful for your ongoing attention and your care in preventing children with COVID coming into school wherever possible. **Your careful attention will ensure that we continue to be able to successfully provide and staff a safe environment for all.** With the latest Omicron variant showing itself to be much more contagious than previous viruses, your support of the community at large is greatly appreciated.

During the current period of uncertainty, where children are absent from school unwell we will be encouraging parents to test them for COVID in order to rule this out as a source of their ill health. We are again grateful for your consideration in this respect.

As a school we continue to maintain an increased level of hygiene through our enhanced daily cleaning arrangements and children's approaches to handwashing. As well as this we are considered about the ventilation of the building, and are supported in doing so through carbon dioxide monitors in each classroom.

Should you have any concerns or questions concerning your child's health or next steps as you see symptoms or receive positive diagnoses please do not hesitate to give us a call. We will always seek to make sure that any contact that you make is worth your while.

START OF THE SCHOOL DAY & TIME TO THINK – 8.50am CHANGES

As we shared with you before the Xmas break **from Monday 10th January 2022** we plan to return to our pre-COVID start of the day timings, which allow us to conform with legal expectations of time spent in school, so:

- **From Monday 10th January 2022, all children from Reception to Year 6 will be expected to be in school by 8.50am. Time to Think will end at this time.**
- **Children attending the nursery outside of these hours will need to use the Sandringham Road entrance to school which will be managed by members of the Foundation Stage team.**
- **If children arrive in school outside of agreed times they should come, via the Queensway entrance, to be welcomed by a member of our Admin Team at reception.**

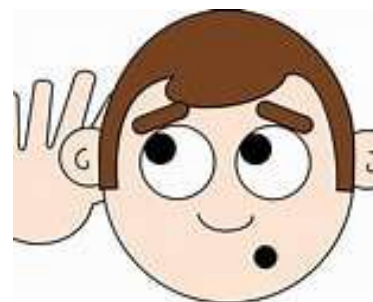
As you can see this will see Time to Think returning to its 'normal' time of 8.35-8.50am, we will continue to ask parents / carers joining their children in Time to Think to continue to wear a face covering.

You know where we are so please talk to us about any concerns that you may have concerning these changes.

HEARING TESTS FOR CHILDREN

It's important to identify hearing problems as early as possible because they can affect your child's speech and language development, social skills and education. Treatment is more effective if any problems are detected and managed accordingly early on. An early diagnosis will also help ensure you and your child have access to any special support services you may need. In children, signs of a possible hearing issue can include:

- inattentiveness or poor concentration
- not responding when their name is called
- talking loudly and listening to the television at a high volume
- difficulty pinpointing where a sound is coming from
- mispronouncing words
- a change in their progress at school



Speak to a GP or health visitor if you're concerned about your child's hearing. Your child can have a hearing test at any age. If you have any questions about your child's hearing please don't hesitate in speaking with your child's class teacher.

CALLING ALL CHILDREN WHO WILL BE 4 YEARS OLD SEPTEMBER 2022

If your child has just turned 4 or is due to turn 4 before 31st August 2022, it is that time when you are asked to specify the school you want them to attend. The Local Authority will be seeking your decision between **15th November 2021 and 15th January 2022.**

Even if you attend our Nursery, you still need to apply for a place in Reception. Our provision is always popular and we see families not being allocated places.



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 **Dreams and Goals:** Goal-setting, aspirations for yourself and the world and working together. Children will also be exploring **Respectful Attitudes:** demonstrating an understanding of mutual respect, treating people with respect and knowing that this will influence how people treat and view them.

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

'I recognise and value difference'

- Mrs Galling has nominated: Kieran Pike
- Mr Hampton has nominated: Talia Simmons
- Miss Butler has nominated: Rowan Cole
- Mrs Penn has nominated: Louesmie Burrett and Ethan Chapman
- Miss Hall has nominated: Eleanor Pintus-May
- Mr Franklin has nominated: Riley Selley
- Miss Cameron has nominated: Scarlet Dart
- Mrs Brown has nominated: Grace Cude
- Mrs Cousins has nominated: Lewis Bradley
- Miss Manley has nominated: Elijah Sims
- Mr Hankin has nominated: Josh Teague and Ellie Cramond
- Miss Shopland has nominated: Alfie Burrett



ATTENDANCE

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



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
93.2%	90.9%	87.1%	92.8%	97%	97.3%	97.1%	88.7%	92.1%



SAFEGUARDING – EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

If you are concerned about a child you can call 0345 155 1071 or email mashsecure@devon.gcsx.gov.uk. If it is an emergency dial 999. Should you have any safeguarding concerns the Designated Safeguarding Leads at the school are: Mrs Galling and Mr Hampton.

