



# Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

## Weekly Newsletter – 6<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

#### **WELCOME TO 2021!**

It's safe to say that this isn't the welcome we would have been wishing to provide you with at the start of 2021, however we recognise the challenging circumstances we find ourselves in and are keen to ensure that we do the best we can in keeping everyone safe in these challenging times.

We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year, what was welcome was that as always the children were keen to share their holiday experiences when they were in school on Monday.

The children certainly bounced back into school on Monday rejuvenated and eager to engage with their learning, therefore we are committed to capitalising on this through our remote learning strategy.

Adults in school have been working hard over the last 48 hours in developing provision moving forward, this includes the areas of: Safeguarding and welfare; lunches; key worker provision; planning learning for children. The school's website Splash Page will direct you to the individual arrangements for your child's class.

We really want children engaged with the learning which is being carefully planned to support your children's next steps in their learning journey, therefore if you have any queries or are experiencing any challenges please get in touch.

Please remember that we are here to answer any queries you may have, 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;



#### **PLEASE MAINTAIN YOUR DISTANCE AT DROP OFF AND PICK UP TIMES**

Social distancing is **essential to stop the spread of the virus**, as it is more **likely to spread when people are close together**.

When on site we expect that parents manage themselves in accordance with the above Government guidance. Thank you



#### **WE NEED TO REMIND OF THE FOLLOWING SAFETY MEASURES:**

- Arrive not too early, for drop-off and pick up – as close to 8.30am and 3.15pm as possible please.
- Follow the 'in' and 'out' lanes on the Queensway drive.
- Keep all children close to you when on the school site.
- Keep moving away from the school gates to prevent any 'pinch points' at busy times.



#### **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 order that we can keep in touch. 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**

Following the sharp increase in positive COVID cases both nationally and locally, alongside the increased transmission risk resulting from the new variant of Covid, we have undertaken an interim review of our Risk Assessment. As a result you may notice members of school staff wearing face covering when undertaking their wider duties e.g. handover at the start and end of the day or meeting with parents, in order to reduce the risk of infection for staff, parents and children.

We continue to encourage parents to wear face masks during drop off and collection times, and require all visitors to the school building to wear a face covering.

A face covering should:

- cover your nose and mouth while allowing you to breathe comfortably
- fit comfortably but securely against the side of the face
- be secured to the head with ties or ear loops



Visitors/members of the public who are exempt from wearing a face covering, if needing to access the site will be **required to contact the school in advance** in order that a time can be identified when access can be arranged without compromising the safety of the wider school population.



## **IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL NURSERY PARENTS WANTING A RECEPTION PLACE SEPTEMBER 2021**

We have been notified that the application process for requesting school places in Reception 2021 will **OPEN on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November and will CLOSE on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021.** You **MUST** complete the process to request your child's **RECEPTION 2021** place as soon as possible, to ensure that it is recorded by the local authority.

Please contact the school if you have any queries.

## **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 take pride in working independently'**

- Mrs Galling has nominated: Katherine McMahon
- Mr Hampton has nominated: Ellie Cramond
- Miss Butler has nominated: Adam Hobbs & Eliza Lawful
- Mrs Penn has nominated: Evelyn Andrew
- Mr Franklin has nominated: Harriet Edmonds
- Miss Cameron has nominated: Freya Glanfield
- Mrs Brown has nominated: Sienna Harry
- Mrs Cousins has nominated: Amelia Cox
- Miss Shopland has nominated: Aaliyah Harry
- Mr Hankin has nominated: Jayden Dodd-Stuz



## **USING TECHNOLOGY AT HOME**

If using electronic devices during periods of school closure, we encourage children to take a five-minute screen break a minimum of every two hours, for younger children a screen break every hour for 5 minutes will support them well. Parents know their children, we encourage you to consider the frequency of screen breaks which will best support your child.



## **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