



Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

Weekly Newsletter – 6th November 2024

'Parents consider the school to be a nurturing and caring environment'

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WELCOME BACK, THANKS AND UPDATES!

It's been great to have everyone back with us this week – thanks for everything that goes into having your children ready for learning following a busy half term break. We hope that you enjoyed your time together – we hear that Halloween, fireworks, and the circus were on many children's activity lists!



Thanks also to everyone who shared in our Harvest Celebration at St. Luke's Church before the break – due to weather conditions on previously planned visits at Christmas and Easter it was our first time there since last Harvest and it felt good to be back.

Thanks also to those who contributed food as part of the celebration– this was collected by THAT Foodbank during the non-pupil days. Given how busy they are they were grateful for your support.



As this term gets underway, we are celebrating **Anti-Bullying Week** with schools from across the country next week. This kicks off with assemblies on Monday morning to which **parents are invited**. It would be great if you could join us. The Key Stage 2 assembly will begin at 9:00am and the Key Stage 1 assembly at 9:40am – just join us when it best suits you, or stay for both if you like. This is an important week in our calendar and will see children learning about the theme 'Choose

Respect' throughout the week in classrooms. **Tuesday 12th November is Odd Socks Day** – children are invited to wear odd socks to school (make them as crazy as you like!) along with others all over the country to show that it's okay to be different and to stand up to bullying and discrimination. We look forward to a good show!

Finally, you won't have failed to notice, particularly if your child is in Year 2, that Mrs Brown continues to be with us following the postponement of her medical procedure. I know that she really enjoyed seeing surprised faces on Monday. We will of course keep you in the picture when new arrangements for this come around.

As usual for the second half of the Autumn Term there is already lots going on, including World Nursery Rhyme Week and arrangements being made for an in-school Remembrance Event which you'll read about below. While parents aren't invited to this, you will see your children's poppies on display in the courtyard on Friday 8th November.

REMEMBRANCE EVENTS

Poppies and poppy related merchandise will go on sale at school from today – these will be sold during morning break for a suggested donation of 50p.

This year, to mark remembrance day on Monday 11th November, children across the school will take part in Poppy Making Workshops with artist Emily Farrell from Newton Abbot CiC on Thursday 7th November. This will be supported by lessons in classes where children will learn about why the Poppy is the symbol that reminds us of the end of the first World War and the soldiers who gave their lives for our country.



On Friday 8th November, Father Mathew from Milber Church will join us to hold a service in our courtyard for children to place the Poppies they have made on the grass bank, share poems and learning about remembrance. Children in year 5 will also share prayers they have written. Parents are invited to view the poppies in the school at 3:00 when the gates open for end of day collection.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS – ARE YOU GETTING WHAT YOU DESERVE?

Recent coverage by the BBC has revealed that an organisation working with a range of local authorities has seen 20,000 more children receiving free school meals as they identify families that qualify but are not receiving free school meals. We have been on a mission for some years to ensure all of our families who qualify are receiving this support but we know we're not there yet!



While all children receiving free meals until the end of Year 2 **it is critical that all families who qualify for free meals are registered so that they can continue to receive them beyond this point if appropriate.**

With this in mind, and with your permission, we can regularly check whether your family qualifies for this service throughout your time with us here in school. That way you can be sure that you are receiving what you are entitled to, even when your circumstances change. **If you feel that a check would be valuable, perhaps because circumstances have changed, or indeed if you're just not sure, please let a member of the admin team know.** We can then run checks for you and if we find that your child is entitled to free school meals, we will let you know. And of course, if you have any questions about free school meals in the meantime, please pick up a chat with any member of our school team.

WORLD NURSERY RHYME WEEK

World Nursery Rhyme Week (11th – 15th November) is a world-wide initiative celebrating the importance of nursery rhymes in childhood development. At Haytor View, we will celebrate the week by learning a range of nursery rhymes – lots of classics that you will likely know! We will be sharing the Nursery Rhymes across the school to demonstrate the joy of recalling and performing to others.



Rhymes have been selected which will include aspects of other languages and signs/ symbols to support the communication and sharing across the whole school.

The Nursery Rhymes we are learning are all available for you to listen to at home:

<https://www.youtube.com/@PiccoloMusicandSingwithPiccolo?app=desktop>

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 upon **'New Beginnings'**. Children are currently spending time thinking about and developing an understanding of their place within their class, their school and the global community.

This sits firmly within the **British Values** of understanding of the value of rules, principles and laws as well as an understanding of responsibility.

The following children will be **celebrated in assembly on Friday 8th November** with a focus upon:

'I can collaborate with others and share tasks.'

- Mr Hampton has nominated Macauley Jones
- Miss Butler has nominated Sylvie Tinmurth
- Mrs Penn has nominated Finley Head
- Miss Jacob has nominated Sophie Carter
- Miss Hall has nominated Darcie Broadway and Charlie Buckmaster
- Mrs Brown has nominated Hope Ferris
- Miss Cameron has nominated Ernest Trenfield
- Mrs Cousins has nominated Isla Bolt
- Miss Manley has nominated Amelia-Lilly Grant
- Miss Shopland has nominated Dollie Waller
- Mr Franklin has nominated Brooke Samuel
- Mr Hankin has nominated Harriet Edmonds and Lucy Hewitt
- Mrs Russell has nominated Audrey Rutherford and Noah Huddart-Wells



All parents, relatives and wider community members are encouraged to join us for this weekly celebration – it's a great way to round off the week, whether you are connected to nominated children or not. We look forward to seeing you.

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 SB	Year 3 MC	Year 4 JM	Year 5 IF	Year 6 GH
92.5	84.1	86.7	92.8	92.5	96.9	96.8	95.4	89.1