



Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

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

Weekly Newsletter – 6th September 2023

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

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Chair of Governors: Robert Doets

A HUGE WELCOME!

It was wonderful to be able to welcome everyone into school yesterday following the summer break! Whether joining us for the first time, or returning after the summer break, everyone looked fabulous in their uniform, with many smart haircuts, new bags and shoes on display. Thank-you so much for the effort that you will have made to prepare your child or children for the start of the school year. Don't forget that we have a good collection of pre-loved uniform available at the bottom of the stairs in the hub - do help yourself or talk to us if you are facing any challenges with uniform.



Those of you with children in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 will have noticed that over the summer we have invested in improving these learning environments through the laying of new flooring. Huge thanks go out to the staff team who worked together over the summer to empty and restore classrooms to give the impression that the flooring simply slid underneath the furniture! I think we were all surprised by the volume of furniture and resources that goes into one classroom, let alone four!

We recognise that the return to school is a significant transition for children and parents alike - if there is anything you feel that we can be doing to support you or your child during this time please make arrangements to talk to your child's teacher who will be happy to hear from you. Just to remind you that you can expect our bagel breakfasts to be back on the morning menu from next week, as soon as we have received our first bagel delivery, and we will be in touch about after school clubs very soon.

Our **Year 1 - 6 Friday celebration assemblies** begin this Friday 8th September at 9.00am in the school hall, and **everyone is invited** - parents, relatives, friends are very welcome. You are welcome to wait in the hall after you have dropped off your child at their class. This week we will hear from teachers about what has made the week special in their classes. Subsequent weeks will see us receiving nominations for children to be recognised and celebrated, at which time we will also invite children from the Foundation Stage to join us where they are comfortable doing so.

As we set off on our year together, please be comfortable sharing any experiences, thoughts or concerns with your child's teacher or the wider school team - your relationship with us sits at the heart of Haytor View and we are always pleased to hear from you.



BUCKLAND COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Buckland Hub runs at the Community Centre every Tuesday, 10am-12 noon for anyone to drop in and get advice, support, or a cup of tea. It's a safe place to find out help about anything from wellbeing to a chat, or speaking to staff from key services about housing, debt or IT help.

Each week, services including Teign Housing, Citizen's Advice Bureau and Learn Devon come along to help provide advice to local people.

The Parent & Toddler group takes place on Tuesdays from 10am until 12pm. Come and join us for fun and free activities! For more information: Yvonne – 07411 573776.

In addition to these, there are many more events across the week for the community to engage with, from Kung Fu to Bingo. Contact them on: 01626 206690 or at

<https://bucklandcentre.org/whats-on/>



P.E. KIT REMINDER

This year we continue to ask that all children wear their P.E. kit to school on their allocated P.E. days.

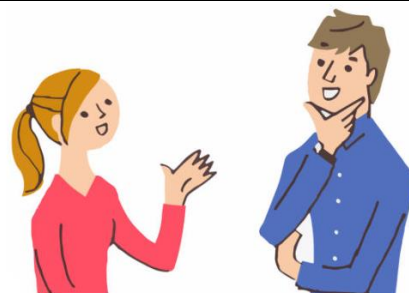
Your child's learning leader will share which days they will do P.E. with you over the course of the next two weeks.

P.E. Kit should include: black or navy shorts or jogging bottoms, suitable trainers a white T-Shirt and their school jumper.



SHARING YOUR THOUGHTS AND CONCERNS

It is important to us that you feel able to share any concerns or worries that you may have concerning your or your child's relationship with the school at any time. It is only through sharing these that we can hope to respond and work together to make your child's time with us happy, comfortable and successful.



Should you feel particularly uncomfortable you may see yourself wishing to make a complaint to the school. The first step in exploring any dissatisfaction would always be to speak with your child's teacher. Should this not bring you the outcome you might have hoped for, we would invite you to then make arrangements to speak with the appropriate phase leader; Miss Butler, Mr Franklin, Mrs Cousins or Mr Hankin - raising your concerns and sharing your best hopes for a resolution. You can also engage Mr Hampton by making arrangements to speak with him at a convenient time, particularly if you remain uncomfortable with how your concerns or complaint are being managed.

Be assured that beyond these steps our complaints policy, which is available from our website or on request from Reception, highlights further steps that may be taken should any concern or complaint remain unresolved.

FOODBANK SUPPORT

Please feel comfortable speaking with a member of our office team to request a referral to THAT Foodbank, via Miss Shopland.

The only information we require is your address and the number of people living with you e.g. 2 adults and 3 children. T.H.A.T Foodbank accept all requests on a 'no questions asked' basis and generally ensure your request is prepared the day after, ready for you to collect from them between 10 am and 1pm Monday to 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 upon 'Relationships'. Children are currently spending time thinking about understanding and recognising the value of friendship, family and other relationships, as well communication and conflict resolution.

They will also be thinking about the British Value of Respectful Attitudes, developing and demonstrating our understanding of mutual respect, recognising that our behaviours have an effect on our rights and the rights of people around us.

This week teachers will be paying special consideration to what has made the classroom feel special this week with their new pupils. **Please**

join us as we celebrate this focus with children from Year 1-6 in assembly on Friday at 9.00am in the Hall.



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. 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.

NSPCC