# Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery Key Stage 1 Newsletter – Autumn 2023

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

## What a great start to the new school year!

After a well deserved summer holiday, we have all come back together again to start our new year at Haytor view, with a lot of familiar faces.

Relationships are at the heart of our school and it has been wonderful building them with our new classes.

The children from Year 1 have moved smoothly into year 2 and have already shown that they are ready for the challenge and the children from FS have started their journey into Key Stage 1 and so far, things are going really, really well.

Phonics is an important part of our school. The Monster Phonics programme forms the core of our phonics provision is well embedded and evident across the school.

The children are very comfortable and confident with it and if you would like to know any more, please do not hesitate to talk to us.

The reading books are specifically matched to the phonemes and graphemes the children are learning and so getting fluent in being able to read the words contained in those books is really important. We really, really want you to enjoy and be part of your child's phonic learning and so will make sure your child has their book to share with you at home.

Thank you for looking after them so well.

So far this term, we have had some great shared experiences, like Harvest Festival and the music assemblies, we took part

in. This resulted in year 1 and 2 asking for and being given a keyboard to play at breaktime and during year 1's continuous provision.

If there is anything at all you would want to know, to ask or to tell us about, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We are all united in our hopes and dreams for the children of this community and talking and listening carefully to each other is all we need to do to make these come true.

**Best Wishes** Mr Franklin and Miss Hall



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#### EVENTS THIS TERM

We have had a very timely visit from the Fire service to make the children aware of what they do and to give some hints and tips about staying safe on Bonfire night. They will fit smoke alarms free of charge in people's homes if that is required! We will be commenorating rememberance day with a poppy making workshop and in school service.



There is also a Diwali Workshop planned, a Martial Arts taster day, a performance of Scrooge by Coombeshead pupils as well as all our usual Christmas festivities.

CURRICULUM FOCI FOR YEAR 1 AND 2 THIS TERM.	
Year 1	Year 2
Writing	Writing
Fairy Tales and Story Mapping.	Bug Poetry and Christmas Stories
Maths	Maths
Measuring	Two digit numbers and addition
Science	Science
Seasons and Animals	Human Beings and Materials
Geography	Geography
What is Buckland?	The UK and Europe
History	History
How have toys changed?	How has our school changed?
RE	RE:
Belonging and being together.	The life of Jesus.
Art	Art
Mixing Colours.	Portraits
Music	Music
Beats and rhythms.	Rhymes, chants and seasonal songs.
PE	PE
Netball and Gymnastics	Netball and Gymnastics

### STAY AND PLAY

Stay and Play is back on Thursdays, after school. This is a great opportunity to not only spend some quiet, quality time with your child doing something fun together but also have a talk with us about anything you may want to talk to us about.

We've got a few new games to try and if there are any you'd like to bring in, share and teach others to play we invite you to do so. The club runs from 3.15-4.15 pm.

### TIME TO THINK

It is great to see so many of you all coming into school to be with your child each morning. Please feel free to be in the classroom as much as you can - please don't be offended if you are asked to leave promptly at 8.50 am, this enables us to begin our learning day as a class promptly.

### AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUB.

We are delighted to have been able to continue to put on after school sports club for Key Stage 1 on Mondays and it is brilliant to see so many of you have taken the opportunity to get your child a place. Do let us know if you'd like a place for your child.

### PE KITS

PE kits need to worn into school for PE sessions.

PE days for Year 1 are Wednesday and Thursday and for year 2 they are Monday and Tuesday.

PE kits ideally will be white t shirts, school jumpers, black shorts and trainers. Long tracksuit trousers are also acceptable.

