



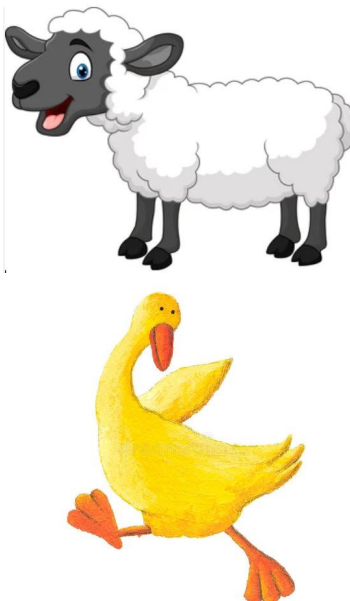
Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Dear Parents,

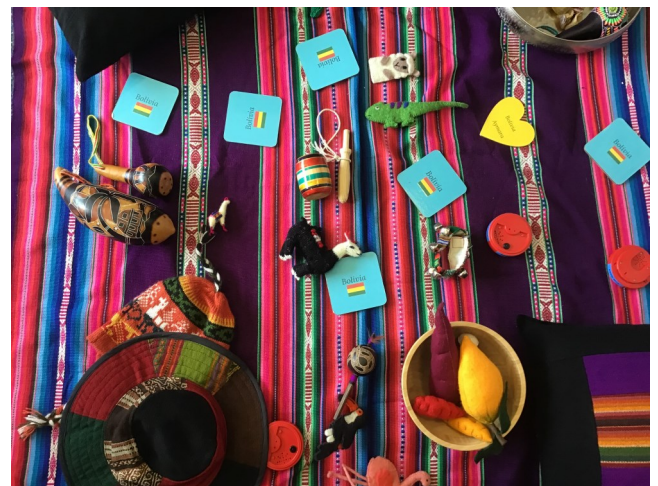
We have reached the end of term and it is unbelievable that we are two thirds of the way through the academic year! It has been another busy term with our Easter Service being one of the highlights. It was wonderful to be back in the Church and all the children were superb. Thank you to parents and carers who came and supported. Thanks to the PTFA for organizing the raffle and the daffodils which we distributed to parents and carers in the Church as well as local residents on our walk back to school. The PTFA would also like to thank all those involved in making and donating to the hampers, and made an incredible **£290**. A special thanks to Tony and Chris Marsh who gave us such a warm welcome.



The children had super opportunities to meet animals this week. Thank you to (Millie's gran) for bringing in a lamb for the children to see and to Merlin's parents for bringing in ducklings for the children to see.



Last Friday, we had a fantastic whole Federation day at Halwill. Both schools enjoyed learning about Easter around the world in the Tiny Travels workshop. Not only did the children experience artefacts and learn about different Easter celebrations, they also thought about more complex themes such as stereotypes, colonialism and slavery, all at an age appropriate level. Thank you to parents for driving to Halwill



Around the World



Please do attend this important workshop in good numbers. The internet is so useful but there are potential risks. Jon Galling, the Senior Safeguarding Officer for DCC will be delivering this. Jon has requested that children of any age, including babies and toddlers do not attend the session due to the potentially sensitive content.



me, you, us
safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

Supporting parents or carers to help their children use the internet safely

"I'm not a Police Officer, and most definitely not a Tech expert. In fact, I'm a bit like you, a parent who wants to make my child's use of the internet as safe as possible"

(Jon Galling, Senior Education Safeguarding Officer for Devon County Council and deliverer of this workshop)

The session is designed not to scare or intimidate, but to reflect and review what the dangers of the online or virtual world are and how, as parents and carers we can help our children navigate the challenges they will face.

The session will help those attending to:

- Understand the risks and some ways in which these can be managed
- Understand the benefits of technology including as support for mental health and wellbeing
- Know where to go to find practical support
- Consider how to support your child navigate their 'virtual world'

Pre-School Booking and Opening Hours from Summer Term 2023

As we will have additional hours, we have slightly changed the way these can be booked. All is explained in the updated Pre-School booklet which can be found here on our website.

<https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/ashwater-primary-school/community/ashwater-pre-school/>

The main difference is that the 'lunch club' won't exist any more but instead will be booked as part of your sessions, there will be no need to book 'lunch club' on School Money, however, **the school hot lunch must still be booked on School Money.**

The other difference is that if you are entitled to 15hrs funding and you book more than these hours, **you will be invoiced for the additional.**

We can take 30 hour, working parents funding but you need to apply to be eligible for this.

The full details are in the booklet but if you have any questions, please do ask Mrs Wilson or myself.

Please complete the form that was sent home with the booklet to book your hours for next half term. Thank you

Year 6 SATs

Here is a link to the Power Point shared at the recent meeting. It includes the SATs timetable, which some parents have asked about: <https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/SATs-meeting.pres-2023.pdf>
It can be found on the Class 2 Page of the website.



Maths Workshop for Parents, Tuesday 2nd May, 4:30 pm at Halwill School

Our home-learning questionnaire, indicated that a number of parents would like a workshop to support them with the current methods of teaching Maths. We are very aware that if we were not in schools ourselves, we would find the methods completely alien to those we were taught.

Mrs Batstone, our Maths Lead, will be leading this session. Don't worry, there will be no tests! But hopefully you will come away with a clearer understanding of how to support your child. It is suitable for parents of children in any class in the Federation.

Swimming Summer Term 2023

We are pleased to be able to offer swimming again in the summer. The children will be taken to and from Ruby Oak Park Swimming Pool by coach along with Halwill children of the same year groups. This will be on Thursday mornings as follows.



To save time in assessing and grouping during the first session, Ruby Oak have requested some information. Please click the link to complete the Google form <https://forms.gle/vvjDYEvdPb2AmE1A> and consent to sharing this information with Ruby Oak.

A towel and swimming costume should be sent in a swimming bag on the day. Goggles are optional and swimming caps are not required but long hair must be tied up. School fruit snack will be taken for YR/1/2, a healthy, nut-free, snack can also be sent in for other year groups. Please can parents of Y3/4 complete the Google form as soon as possible.

Children will need to be able to change independently so practising this at home and going through routines such as putting items back in their bags can really help.

Please ensure everything, including underwear, is labelled.

Year Groups	Dates
Y 3/4	20/04, 27/04, 04/05, 11/05
Y 5/6	18/05, 25/05, 08/06, 15/06
Y R/1/2	22/06, 29/06, 06/07, 20/07

Holsworthy College Transition Meeting Friday 21st April

Gareth Smith, Principal of Holsworthy College, will visit the Y6 pupils transferring to Holsworthy in September 2023 on Friday 21st April.

Parents are invited to come in and meet him at 3:00 pm. Please sign in at the office.

After School Clubs

Please see our after school clubs on our website: <https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/ashwater-primary-school/about-us/before-after-school-clubs/>

Wild Tribe

Class 2 will have Wild Tribe on Fridays for the first half of the Summer Term.

On Wild Tribe days, please can children bring in waterproofs to wear over school clothes and wellington boots. If they don't have waterproofs then some other long clothing to cover arms and legs (not jeans) should be sent in. Long hair should be tied up.

During Wild Tribe sessions, children may be given hot chocolate and marshmallows. If you would like to see the ingredient list, please speak to the Office and please let us know if your child CANNOT have these.

Bex Rayner, Footballer Visit, Thursday 4th May 2023

Following the inspirational success of the Lionesses' win of the women's World Cup in 2022, we want to give the children the opportunity to meet a female football player. We have arranged for Bex Rayner, a Sheffield United player and part of the Team GB football squad, to visit on Thursday 4th May 2023. Today I spoke to the children about a whole school fitness session which will be led by Bex Rayner and The Sports for Champions Team.

Children will come home today with sponsorship forms so that they can be sponsored to take part in the whole school fitness event. 40% of the funds raised from this sponsorship will be going to the running costs for, 'Sports For Champions'. 60% of the funds raised will be used to purchase sports equipment for the school. The money that the children collect can be brought in to the school office, or it can be paid online using the QR code on the children's letter.

On the back of the sponsorship form there is a list of prizes for children based on the amount that they raise. However, there is no obligation for the children to raise money and they will take part in the assembly and the fitness sessions regardless.



Dates for your diary:

March

31st End of term

April

17th Start of summer term

19th Internet safety talk for parents 5pm Halwill Primary School

May

1st Bank holiday

2nd Maths Workshop for parents 4.30pm Halwill Primary School

4th Bex Rayner Footballer visit

8th Bank holiday

29th May to 2nd June Half term

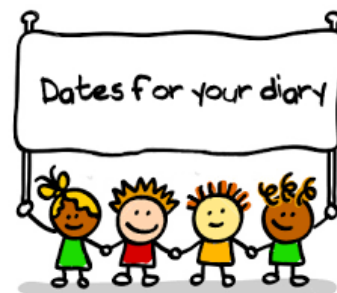
June

5th Non-pupil day

July

4th-6th Y5/6 London Trip

21st Last day of term



Please remember to order your School lunches via schoolmoney by Friday of each week. This helps us cater correctly. Thank you

Have you moved house? Changed your mobile number?

No longer have a landline?

Please ensure you keep us informed of all changes to your contact details. This can easily be done by using the SIMS parent app or email the office. Thank you



Safeguarding at Ashwater

The Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs R Alford

Attendance Officer:

Miss S Revers

Safeguarding Governor:

Mrs A Clark

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs R Cawsey

Miss H Frayn

Social Media Guides

Is your child using Social Media?

Is your child using chat sites to talk to family and friends?

Is your child sharing selfies?

Do you need help with setting up parental controls?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions visit

[Internet Matters](#) and review their advice and guidance on:

Facebook Messenger Facetime Instagram Skype

TikTok Whatpad Whatsapp Youbo (and more!)



Remember if your child is gaming online, they may be chatting and communicating with other players or friends. [Internet Matters](#) has provided safety guides to help keep your child safe on:

[Steam](#) [Xbox live](#) [Twitch TV](#) [Roblox](#) [Minecraft](#) [PlayStation](#)

[Network](#) [Nintendo Network](#) – NB Nintendo's consoles are more family-friendly than most and therefore its chat functionality is a lot more geared to safe interaction for younger players.



Summerhouse Services

'Supporting Brighter Futures'



Safe Spaces For Young People's Mental Health

We are a small, Plymouth-based, holistic, not-for-profit organisation promoting mental health, resilience and free thinking for children, young people and those adults that inhabit their world. We provide a range of human-centred, outcome-led, orbital and unique training and support services.

We have in person and virtual offers for all services, for which we have a nationwide remit.

While we are only just over a 18 months old as an organisation, the work and unique approach we use has been in the making and continually shaped in response to need for over 20 years in the voluntary sector by Founder and Director Penny.

Our creative, engaging, enjoyable and supportive offers are easy access, friendly and professional and never use power point, even for our virtual training ! The focus instead is on lively interaction, enjoy as you learn and participation to own level of comfort.

ALL offers are generic and for EVERYONE and we never target audiences with specific issues, as our services are both preventative and supportive in nature and importantly, NONE of our offers are therapy or counselling, although ALL the spaces we create facilitate climates that are potentially, therapeutic, motivational and healing in nature.

We have had a fantastic reception since starting up in May 2021 and adults that come to our training use words such as 'game changing', 'ground breaking', 'new', 'pioneering', 'straightforward' and 'value for money' and young people generally find us 'helpful' 'validating', 'relaxing', 'interesting' and 'really fun' !

To find out more, please take a look around our website and if you would like a chat about any aspect of what we do or have any queries as to how we may help, please do not hesitate to get in touch....we always like a chat !

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