



## *Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other*

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your children had a wonderful half term. The week before half term we focused on keeping safe online. Please see the safeguarding section of the newsletter for results of the pupil survey and more information.

### Industrial Action

The next date in this region where teachers (who are members of the NEU) may take strike action, is Thursday 2 March 2023. I do not anticipate that we will be affected and we plan to remain open as normal. Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March are the remaining dates that could affect us. I will of course keep you updated if there will be any impact on the school.

### Parent Consultations

Parent consultations are on Tuesday 7th March, 1.30pm to 6.00pm. Bookings will be open from Wednesday.

### Class Assemblies

We look forward to welcoming Class 1 parents on Friday 24th February at 2.45pm for the Class Assembly.

### Children's Medical Needs

To ensure we have the correct medical information about your child, please complete this google form [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdyweDUICP8Geji0D7tMtQg5n52uA9-LOLDNZa0-NTsKUMatA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdyweDUICP8Geji0D7tMtQg5n52uA9-LOLDNZa0-NTsKUMatA/viewform?usp=sf_link). Please advise us of any changes through the year via the school office. If you have any medical paperwork e.g. diagnosis or communication from health care, please submit it to the school office. Please complete a google form for each child. **Please fill in the google form, whether you think we already know about your child's needs or not and even if your child does not have a health need.** Thank you to those who have already completed this.

### Term Dates 2023-24

Please see our website for the term dates for next academic year. Please kindly refer to these when booking holidays as we are unable to authorise absence in term time, unless there are extenuating circumstances. <https://www.thecarey federation.co.uk/halwill-primary-school/parents/term-dates/>

### Year 5/6 Residential Trip to London

You should have received a letter updating you about this before half term. If you haven't received it, please ask the office for a copy. A reminder that the first installment to secure your child's place, is due today via SchoolMoney. Thank you to those who have already paid this.



### Year 6 SATs Club and Meeting for Parents

All Year 6 pupils are invited to attend an after school SATs club. This will run on Tuesdays from 14<sup>th</sup> March – 2 May, inclusive. We encourage all Year 6 pupils to make the most of this opportunity. Permission letters will be sent home shortly.

There will be a SATs meeting for parents and Year 6 pupils on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 5:00 pm.**

### After School Clubs

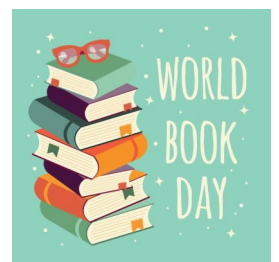
Clubs information can be found here: <https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/halwill-primary-school/about-us/before-after-school-clubs/>

21 <sup>st</sup> Feb to 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2023 6 weeks	£6	Club: Musical Theatre Teacher: Jess Squire	Tuesday	Class 3 & 4 Max: 20
21 <sup>st</sup> Feb to 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2023 6 weeks	£6	Club: Sports pick & mix Teacher: Arena	Tuesday	Class 1 & 2 Max: 20
23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb to 30 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2023 6 weeks	£6	Club: Athletics Teacher: Scott Hayler	Thursday	Class 3 & 4 Max: 20

If we have already had written permission for your Class 4 child to walk to the Parish Hall Car Park, they can now resume as there will be sufficient daylight.

### World Book Day, Thursday 2nd March

We are planning a week of activities to promote reading and our focus this year will be on poetry. On Thursday 2nd March, children are invited to come to school dressed as a book character. We also have a special school lunch menu on this day, please order through SchoolMoney.



### Kitchen Manager

Denah Harding, has been appointed by Devon Norse, as our new kitchen manager. Mrs Harding is not a stranger to the school as she was the Kitchen Manager many years ago. We are delighted to be welcoming her back.

Mrs R. Alford

Executive Headteacher

*Dates for your diary:*

February

24th Class 1 assembly 2.45pm  
27th Class 4 Tag rugby festival

March

2nd World Book Day  
3rd Class 2 assembly 2.45pm  
7th Parent consultations 1.30pm to 6.00pm.  
10th Class 3 assembly 2.45pm  
13th SATs meeting for Y6 parents and children. 5.00pm.  
16th Vision screening for Yr R.  
27th Tempest Class Photos  
29th Visit from The North Dartmoor Search and Rescue Team  
31st End of term

April

17th Start of summer term

May

1st Bank holiday  
8th Bank holiday  
29th May to 2nd June Half term

June

5th Non-pupil day

July

4th to 6th Class 4 London Trip  
21st Last day of term



**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 Halwill

## The Safeguarding Team

### Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs R Alford

### Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs A Rothery

Miss J Miners

Mrs R Cawsey—SENDCo

### Attendance Officer:

Miss S Revers

### Safeguarding Governor:

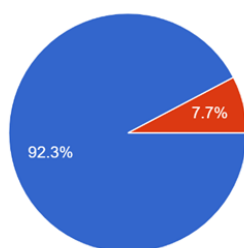
Mrs A Clark

## On-line Safety

In the week before half-term we had a big focus on On-line safety. Children in Years 3 -6 undertook a questionnaire. Here are the responses:

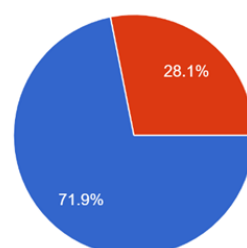
Do you play games online?

65 responses



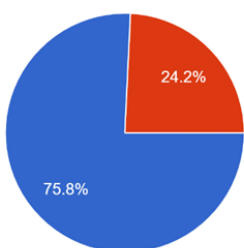
Do you play games online with other players?

64 responses



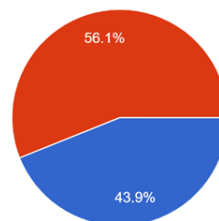
Do you play online games with your school friends?

66 responses



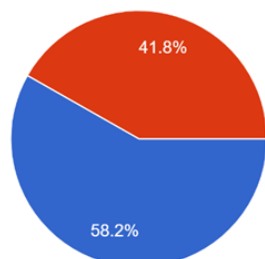
Have you ever spoken (talked or typed) to someone you do not know online?

66 responses



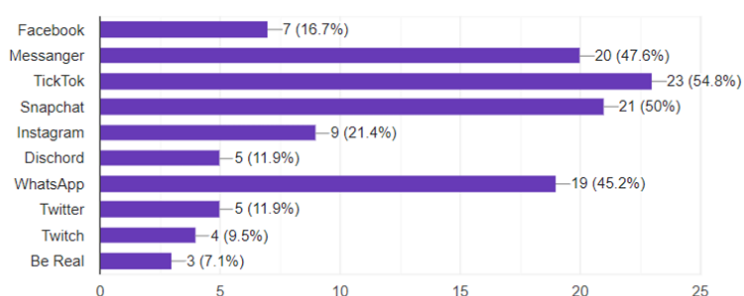
Do you know how to block or report someone online?

67 responses



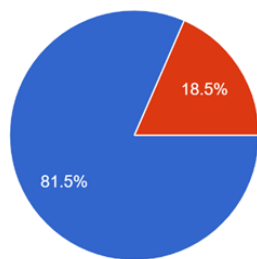
Which social media platform do you have access to?

42 responses



Do you now that some social media platforms have age limits?

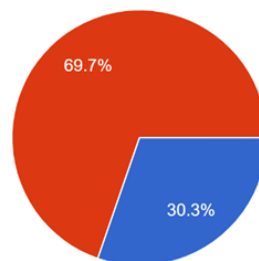
65 responses



Have you ever been worried by something you have seen online?

66 responses

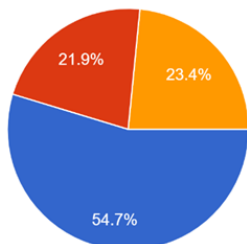
● Yes  
● No



● Yes  
● No

If you were worried, have you spoken to an adult about this?

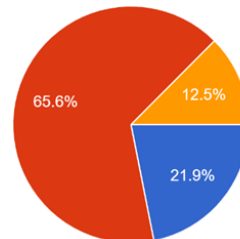
64 responses



● Yes  
● No  
● Not Applicable

Do your parents ask you what you do online?

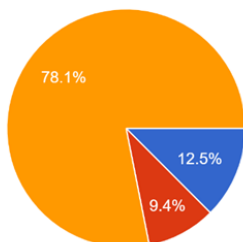
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● Always  
● Sometimes  
● Never

Do you have a Safe Search filter at home?

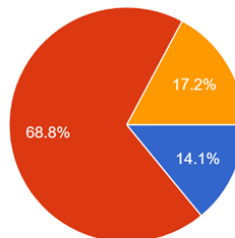
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● Yes  
● No  
● I don't know

Have you ever tried to find something that you know you shouldn't be searching for?

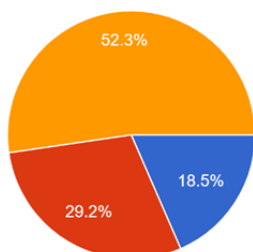
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● Yes  
● No  
● Maybe

If you answered yes to the last question, did you find what you were looking for?

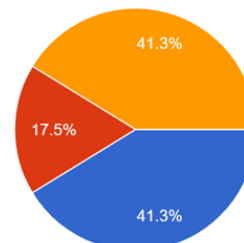
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● Yes  
● No  
● Not applicable

Have you ever watched a live stream online?

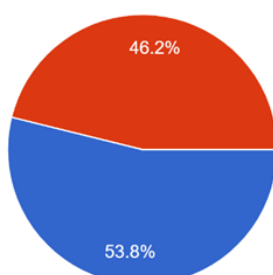
63 responses



● Yes  
● No  
● I don't know

Do you have your own mobile phone?

65 responses



● Yes  
● No

What information should you never share online?

65 responses

pasword
password
were you live
address
your address
name address and your school
your name adress and number
your password
Address and name and account

What would you do if you saw something that bothered you?

tell a trusted adult ( parents , teachers e.c.t)

tell an adult show them and block/report the person

i would say to an adult and check if there is a way to report it or solve it

i would tell my mother

I would tell my mother

tell an adult and sometimes block them

tell your mum or dad or teachers

Tell mum

tell an trusted adult

Clearly, being on-line is part of the world the children are growing up in so it is important to educate them to use technology safely. I did a special assembly with Class 3 and Class 4 separately, to address age appropriate issues. My main message to the children was that parents are the key to keeping safe on-line. Sharing with you which sites and apps they use and allowing you to regularly check their phones / tablets will help to keep them safe.

We talked about communicating and playing with others on-line and I reminded them that 'A friend of a friend is a stranger.' As 43.9% of children said they have spoken to someone they don't know on-line, this is clearly something to monitor.

Sometimes, we hear of inappropriate games that children have come across. Recently children have talked about 'Game Master' this is not at all appropriate for children, it is very dark and quite scary. 'Huggy Wuggy' is another frightening character. Unfortunately, TikTok and You Tube makers use these characters to create unsettling videos. Even if children haven't seen them, they may hear about them from others.

We will continue to work on On-line Safety in school and will share advice with you in the Safeguarding section of the newsletter.

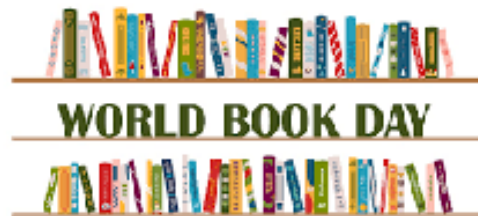
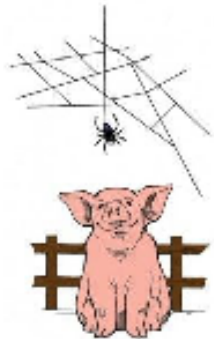




# World Book Day

## Special menu on Thursday 2nd March.

Please order on SchoolMoney



### World Book Day Menu

**Gruffalo Sausages**

Or

**Hungry Caterpillar Pasta**  
(Macaroni Cheese)

*Served with:*

**The Witches Sticks**  
(Potato Wedges)

&

**Mr Stink Beans**  
(Baked Beans)

Or

**Jack's Magic Green Beans**  
(With  
Tomato Ketchup)



**Charlie's Chocolate Factory**  
(Chocolate Biscuit & Milk)



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**Holsworthy Cricket Club**



# **YOUTH ACADEMY**

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**Are you in Year 6 and want to play cricket?**

We are looking for players in our Under 11 and Under 13 teams.

## **Free Taster Sessions**

Friday 10th March, Friday 17th March,  
Friday 24th March and Friday 31st March

For more information  
please call:  
Dan Marks

07719 337218

**Holsworthy Sports Hall**  
**7pm-8pm**



Also come and try our All Stars and Dynamos programmes  
on Friday 5th May @ Stanhope Park, Holsworthy



**Fridays**



**Softball Junior Cricket**

**All Stars Cricket (Aged 5-7) — 4.15pm —til— 5pm —**

Register online @ [www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars](http://www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars) and search for Holsworthy CC

**Dynamos Cricket (Aged 8-11) — 5.15pm —til— 6.15pm —**

Register online @ [www.ecb.co.uk/play/dynamoscricket](http://www.ecb.co.uk/play/dynamoscricket) and search for Holsworthy CC

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