

Friday 9th May 2025

Halwill Primary School

Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Newsletter No.18 Spring Term

Dear Families,

80th Anniversary of VE Day

We had a wonderful celebration of VE Day on the 8th May. Children took part in class-based activities and undertook the two minutes silence respectfully at 12:00pm. We had a special Federation assembly where Ashwater and Halwill linked up via TEAMS. Mrs Cawsey has been teaching the children the special song for VE Day, which they sang beautifully, along with the National Anthem. It was the first time many children had sung 'God Save the King'.

It is very important to us that the children have a really good knowledge and understanding of the significance of VE Day and it's 80th anniversary. We have planned a two week programme dedicated to VE Day, using the resources shared by the DfE. This programme runs through lessons and assemblies this week and next.

The climax of the two week focus will be the non uniform day and Street Party Lunch on the 16th May. Children can wear red/white/blue or Brownies/Cubs/ Scouts/ Beavers uniform etc.

It was great to see children dressed up on Thursday, especially those in uniform. We talked in assembly why we wear our Scouts/ Brownies uniforms and helped children understand the meaning of service.



Year 6 SATs – 12th – 15th May

Next week is SATs week for Year 6. I know the children have been working very hard. The most important thing is that children 'Aim High' and do their own personal best. We are all different and have different strengths so each child's personal best will be different to another child's. Please help children to remain calm and positive by having early nights over the weekend and next week, eating well, particularly breakfast and keeping active. In addition, please arrive at school in good time to avoid additional stress in the morning.

Attendance next week is particularly important. If your child is unwell and cannot attend school, please let us know as soon as possible as we will need to make an application to the Standards and Testing Agency (STA) for a timetable variation.

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Upcoming Events

May 12

SATs week

May 13

After School Club – KS2 – Athletics
Wild Tribe – Reception/YR1/YR2

May 15

After School Club – All classes - Singing club

May 16

VE Day- Street Party Lunch – non uniform

May 23

End of Term

June 2

Start of Term

June 16

Non -pupil Day

July 2

London Trip Y5/Y6

July 8

Sports Day

July 23

End of Term

Term Dates 2025 -2026

These are on our website:

<https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/ashwater-primary-school/parents/term-dates/>

Other News

Class Page on the Website

Teachers have now updated the Class Page, please take a look to see what the children are learning this time.

Outlines of Support

Sometimes children need a little extra support or intervention. Teachers will be noting any additional support or intervention for those children that need it, on an 'Outline of Support' and will send these home in the next couple of weeks. Please note the 'Outline of Support' is not aimed at children with Special Educational Needs, as these children will have a 'My Plan'. Teachers will invite parents in to look at these together in the next couple of weeks. If you have concerns that your child may have a Special Educational Need, please raise this with Mrs Cawsey, the Federation SENDCO. You can contact her via the school office to arrange a meeting.

Warm Weather

Please remember to apply sun screen in the morning and bring in water bottles and hats.

Swimming

After Easter, swimming will start at Ruby Oak. Please see the dates below and complete the following form: <https://forms.gle/JGGhPFDqQwkF4TR8A>

Year Groups	Dates
Y 3/4	24/04, 01/05, 08/05, 22/05
Y 5/6	05/06, 12/06, 19/06
Y R/1/2	26/06, 03/07, 10/07, 17/07

Driving on Site

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Friday 28th March 2025

Dear Families,

Re: Driving on to school site

When Devon County Council rebuilt Halwill Primary School in 2005 a condition was put in place that parents would not drive on to the school site, with the exception of those with disability or medical reason that inhibits them or their children, from walking down.

This is because there is not enough space on site for all parents to safely drive down and park. The site was designed for safe pedestrian access to allow children to walk safely to school. For this reason, the school pays an annual rent to the Parish Council to enable parents to park there.

Moving forward, if you think you qualify to drive down to the school on medical grounds, please complete the request form on our website or you can collect one from the school office. If your request is approved, you will be given a permit to place on your dashboard. You will need to reapply annually.

If you do not have a permit that demonstrates you are eligible to drive on to school site, please use the Parish Hall Car Park as you are not permitted to drive into school. Please remember to drive safely at all times and be mindful of children.

Thank you for your support in this important matter.

Mrs Ruhaina Alford
Executive Headteacher
The Carey Federation
Halwill & Ashwater Primary Schools

Useful Links

School Contact Details

Tel: 01409 221476

Email: admin@halwill.devon.sch.uk

Website: [Halwill Primary School – Halwill and Ashwater Primary Schools](#)

Safeguarding: If you have any concerns about a child, please speak to one of the safeguarding team or email

safeguarding@halwill.devon.sch.uk

Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Ruh Alford

Deputy Safeguarding Leads

Miss Jayne Miners

Mrs Rosie Cawsey

Mrs Alix Rothery

Safeguarding Governor

Mrs Alison Clark

Attendance Officer

Mrs Ceren Brooker

The Carey Qualities



Relationships by being **Resilient, Resourceful, Reflective** and **Respectful**

Each week children are awarded certificates in our Celebration Assembly for making a significant effort to develop one of our Carey Qualities. The following children were awarded certificates. Well done to them all.

For building Relationships	For being Resilient	For being Resourceful	For being Reflective	For being Respectful
Reidy – Class 3 (2 nd May)	HB – Class 1	Jack S – Class 4	Nicholas – Class 4	Grace – Class 1
Charlie – Class 3 (9 th May)	Daisy – Class 2	Elsie – Class 4 (2 nd May)	(2 nd May)	Finley – Class 3 (2 nd May)
	Mia – Class 2	Emily – Class 1	Frankie – Class 1	Freya – Class 4
	Reggie – Class 3 (2 nd May)	Bethany – Class 2	Chloe S – Class 4 (9 th May)	Callie – Class 4 (9 th May)
	Brody – Class 2	Thomas – Class 2		
	Belle – Class 3 (9 th May)	Jack – Class 3		
		Evelyn – Class 3 (9 th May)		

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