







Halwill Primary School

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Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Dear Parents,

Well done to Class 2 for an excellent Class Assembly last week. They shared their learning brilliantly and with great confidence.



Year 1 and 2 had great fun at the Performing Arts event at Holsworthy College on Monday.









Comic Relief, Friday 15th March



As we had a dress up day last Friday for World Book Day, we will not be having a non-uniform day this Friday. However, if children wish to wear a red nose or paint their nose red, they a welcome to do so. Children do not need to bring in a donation for this, instead, if you would like to make a donation, please do so

https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/3CzbhfYTNWBKnkdWhYfzBsz/donate

Year 6 SATs Meeting for Parents and Pupils, 3:30 pm Monday 18th

There will be a meeting for parents and Year 6 pupils to give you information about the SATs, how the week runs and how you can help your child to prepare. Please avoid bringing young children to this as it is important that the focus is on the Year 6 pupils. As the meeting is straight after school, our staff will supervise siblings from our school.



Schools Exhibition, Burton Gallery, Bideford



The Schools Exhibition is on from **1**st **March to 7**th **April 2024** so do try and go along to look at the children's work on display.

Parent Consultation Tuesday 26th March 1:45pm – 6:00 pm

We are able to do these in person or via Zoom, please let us know your preference. You are now able to book your slot. Please contact the office to do this.



If you are unable to meet on the day, please request an alternative day and the teachers will do their best to accommodate this.

Tempest Photos

Tempest Photography will be in school on Monday 25th March to take class photos.



Have you moved house? Changed your mobile number?





Please ensure you keep us informed of ALL changes to your contact details. Thank you





Please ensure you book early to avoid missing out.







Class Assemblies

We are pleased to invited parents and carers to watch your child share their learning with you in their Class Assembly. Here are the dates and times:

Friday 22nd March—Class 3 Halwill 2.45pm



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

Safeguarding

Remember if you have any issues regarding Safeguarding that you wish to raise, please email safeguarding@halwill.devon.sch.uk

These will come directly to a safeguarding lead.



Please watch this video for great ideas to keep your child safe on line https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/6-10/

The Carey Qualities

Relationships by being Resilient, Resourceful, Reflective and Respectful

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



Every Piece Matters

For building	For being	For being	For being	For being
Relationships	Resilient	Resourceful	Reflective	Respectful
Class 1—Ellis	Class 2—Belle	Class 2—Charlie	Class 1—Millie	Class 2—Bethany
Class 3—Henry	Class 4—Albie	Class 3—Callie	Class 3—Freya	
			Class 4—Sidney	
			Class 4—Zeejay	
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Dates for your diary:

March

18th Year 6 SATs Meeting for Parents and Pupils, 3:30pm

22nd Class 3 assembly 2.45pm 25th Tempest Class photos

26th Parent consultations 1.45-6.00pm

28th End of term

<u>April</u>

15th Start of term

18th Swimming years 3 & 4
 w/c 22nd Bikeability for Year 5
 25th Swimming years 3 & 4

<u> May</u>

2nd Swimming years 3 & 4

6th Bank holiday

9th Swimming years 3 & 4 23rd Swimming years 5 & 6

27th to 31st Half term

<u>June</u>

3rd Non-pupil day

6th Swimming years 5 & 6 13th Swimming years 5 & 6 20th Swimming years 5 & 6

24th Yr 5 & 6 Cricket Festival at HCC

27th Swimming years R, 1 & 2

<u>July</u>

4th Swimming years R, 1 & 2

8th Beach Festival Y3 and 4 at Bude

11th Swimming years R, 1 & 2 18th Swimming years R, 1 & 2

23rd End of term

Term dates: https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/halwill-primary-school/parents/term-dates/





Friends of Halwill Primary School

"The Friends of Halwill school" are parents who work together to help enrich the experiences of school, for example supplying craft and snacks at the Christmas Party! We are always looking for help and support, whether it's offering ideas, help at events etc we would love to have you on board.

Other ways to support Friends is to sign up to easy fundraising, your shopping online can mean a donation to the school.

Or buying name labels from My Nametags, by using the school ID 28989 the school can get a donation from the sale and school uniform is more likely to get reunited with its owner!

We also have Facebook pages for Friends "Friends of Halwill Primary School" and "Halwill Primary School's 2nd hand uniform" where for a small donation you can find some good quality used uniform.

Thank you Friends of Halwill Primary School

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/assets/blt2159bb3d91e9d580/easyfundraising-poster-a4.pdf

https://www.mynametags.com/



Please remember to order your school lunches via Schoolmoney by Friday of



each week.
This helps us cater correctly.
Thank you.



Holiday Requests

Please see the following message which we have been asked to share with you by Devon County Council:

We believe that in order for a pupil to fully benefit from their education, good attendance is crucial.

As of September 2013, an amendment to the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006 came in to force and greater clarity was introduced to the issue of schools authorising absence requests. These changes reinforced the Government's view that every minute of every school day is vital and that pupils should only be granted authorised absences by the school in 'exceptional circumstances'.

A family holiday is not normally considered by the Government to be an 'exceptional circumstance' and therefore will not be authorised by the school.

Should you choose to take your child out of school without the authorisation of the school, then Parental Responsibility Measures could be instigated. This could mean receiving any of the following;

- A Penalty Notice
- A summons to the Magistrate Court which could result in a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a term of imprisonment for up to 3 months.

Schools are required to notify the Local Authority if a pupil has a number of unauthorised absences. Unauthorised absences can be acquired when;

- 1) Leave has been requested, but the circumstances are such that the school is unable to authorise the leave and it is taken anyway.
- 2) Leave is not requested and/or the school has grounds to believe that the child has been taken out of school for an avoidable reason (example a family holiday). Only the Head teacher can authorise an absence. This year there have been occasions when schools have been notified that the pupil is sick, but the school later discovers and reasonably believes that the reason given for the absence is not genuine.
- 3) A child continually arrives late after the registration period has closed.

Schools need to notify the Local Authority in all of the circumstances listed above.

Should a Penalty Notice be issued as a result of unauthorised absence then one notice will be issued to each parent/carer for each child involved. Currently, each Penalty Notice is for £120, which is reduced to £60 if paid within the first 21 days. If a Penalty Notice goes unpaid after 28 days, then court proceedings will be initiated.

We understand the disappointment that the refusal of a leave request may cause, but as you can appreciate this policy represents the school's responsibility and commitment towards providing your child's education and supporting their future life opportunities.

COULD YOUR CHILD BE ENTITLED TO A SUBSIDY TOWARDS THE COST OF RESIDENTIAL OR DAY TRIPS, SPORTING EVENTS, SCHOOL UNIFORM, EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, BREAKFAST CLUB, AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AS WELL AS FREE SCHOOL MEALS IN KS2?

If you are in receipt of any of the following, your child could be entitled to a subsidy towards the cost of the above:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).
- Income Support (IS).
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA).
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA).
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income that does not exceed £16,190).

Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment you get for a further 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).

Please apply even if your child is in Foundation, Year 1 or Year 2 and receives a meal under the Universal Infant Free School Meals Scheme. As well as financially benefiting as described above, your child may receive additional learning support where appropriate because of the additional funding that school receives from Government for known free school meals pupils.

How to apply

Through the Citizen Portal (https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal_live) which is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in you getting an instant decision.

Parents and carers can also ring the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

Scallywags Pre-School invites you...



Wednesday 27th
March
3.30pm-5pm
at Scallywags



Open to all children from Early Years up to K52 (school year 6)

£2 per child

Cakes, Bacon Baps & Refreshments
We will have the hall in the event of wet weather



Scallywags Pre School

Easter Draw



HALWILL

Monday 8th April 2024

1st Prize - Luxury Hamper 2nd Prize - Cash Prize 3rd Prize - Easter Hamper

Tickets £1 each

Tickets are available from the Staff, Committee or
Parents of Scallywags or email
scallywagspreschool@outlook.com

Registered Charity Number: 1033643

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COACHING







4 Days of Fun in April

Tuesday- Friday first week of the holidays. For children aged 5 to 12. Multi Sports with Art & Craft, Music and Lego.

Free for Free School Meals Children

If your child is in receipt of free school meals they can attend every day for FREE by claiming your free school meal voucher through this link: https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/time2move





Only £8.00 for children living in Bude and Stratton

Pupils of Bude and Stratton schools, discounts are applied on booking. If you don't go to a Bude or Stratton school but live in Bude or Stratton constituency you can claim a refund from Bude-stratton Town Council office after the programme.



Free Breakfast and Lunch For All Children

All children who attend will receive a free light breakfast and hot lunch on the day. Please let us know of any dietary requirements.

Multi-Sport, Arts & Crafts, Music, Lego and more...

Multi Sports offers your child a huge range of sports, physical activities and alternative activities in a safe, fun, inclusive environment for all.





9:00am 2:00pm

Session Dates

Tues 2nd April Weds 3rd April **Thurs 4th April** Fri 5th April

Book Now Using the Link or QR Code https://playwaze.com/ljd-coaching/e85aljhpv5l/session-display?eventld-PhysicalEventSeries/9666



