THE CAREY FEDERATION







Halwill Primary School

Newsletter No.2 Autumn Term. 20th Sept 2023 01409 221476 admin@halwill.devon.sch.uk

Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Dear Parents,

School Council

I was very impressed with all the children who put themselves forward to be in the School Council. They all 'aimed high', giving speeches to their classmates. Well done to all of them.

Congratulations to the following children who were elected as School Counsellors: Freya, Ted, George, Autumn, Sidney, Elsie, Chloe, Megan, Ada, Poppy, Dougie and Reggie.



Parent Information Meetings

There will be a Phonics and Maths meeting for Class 1 parents on Monday 25th September at 2.30 pm. This will be followed by a Reading meeting for Class 2 parents at 3.30 pm on the same date.

Friends of Halwill School

There will be a Friends AGM on Wednesday 18th October at 2:30 pm. All welcome

Parking at School

A reminder to please avoid parking in the coned area at the front of the school driveway. Parking here means children have to walk into the road to get to and from school. Parked cars also block the view of other drivers and pedestrians and make it dangerous. The Governors are campaigning with the Parish Council to have zig-zag 'School Keep Clear' markings put in, but in the meantime, we ask you to respect our request and please kindly refrain from moving the cones. We appreciate that it is not always our parents parking there and the Governors have approached members of the public about this issue.

Cross Country Events

There are two upcoming Cross Country events which the Federation will be involved with. The first is a festival at Holsworthy College on Monday 2nd October. This is suitable for all children in years 4-6 Halwill. Letters will be sent out shortly.



The second is a highly competitive event at Torrington Rugby Club on Friday 13th October. Following the event at Holsworthy, children will be selected and invited to the Torrington event.

Home Learning

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Class teachers have been sharing Home Learning via Class Dojo. Please see our updated policy, following the review undertaken last year: https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/Home-Learning-Policy-September-2023.pdf

One of the changes following your feedback is to set a project once a year, rather than termly project so we are doing this in the Autumn Term. You also asked us to provide

more structure to the project. Teachers will be providing more information and setting the task this week.

Projects can be done over a period of a few weeks or you may prefer to do them in one block in the half term. As a rough guide, please allocate around 6 hours to the project but of course this is just an approximation.

Projects need to be submitted on Friday 3rd November. Parents are invited to come in to school to look at the projects on Friday 10th November at 3:00 pm. Halwill.

Health Needs

In order to have a central record of all medical conditions, we will be asking you to complete an on-line form at the start of each year. Please complete this, even if we already know about your child's condition.

Every term, we will send out the form again so if your child develops a condition you can add it.

It's really important to include any condition we need to know about including, asthma, allergies, eye conditions, conditions that require monitoring, conditions that require medication.

If your child has a significant health need, a Health Care Plan will be completed. If your child requires medication, you will need to complete a Medicines form. If you did this last year e.g. for an inhaler, you will need to complete this again.

All medication must be handed in to school. Children shouldn't keep these with them. If your child is travelling on the bus or needs to take them home, they must be handed in in the morning and taken back at the end of school.

Please complete the Health Care Needs Form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/ e/1FAIpQLSeWw5prG6_5GQHSxw3qmH_bVHxV8dLvrmsZyHsxnLzLSW2b9w/ viewform?usp=sf_link



Wildtribe

Class 4 Halwill have Wildtribe this half term. At times, food will form part of the session. Please see the information below and inform us if your child cannot have any of these.





We hope to cook toffee apple slices on Tuesday 26th September (apples and sugar).

The rationing bubble and squeak and pancakes on Tuesday 17th October (potatoes, carrots, parsnips, mushrooms, onions/flour, egg, milk, jam, sugar).

Harvest Assembly

We look forward to welcoming parents and carers to our Harvest Assembly on Halwill Friday 20th October at 2.30pm Halwill.



Class Pages

The Class Pages on the website have now been updated. They are under the 'Children' section. https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/halwill-primary-school/children/class-pages/

Year 6 Parents - Apply for Your Child's Secondary School Place

Applications for your child to start in year 7 at secondary school in September 2024 opened on 1 September 2023 and close on 31 October 2023. You need to apply even if you already have a child at college.

https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-for-a-secondary-school-place/

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 3—Mathilde	Class 2—Sidney	Class 2—Amelia	Class 1—Elodie	Class 3—Emily
Class 4—Jack H	Class 2—Scarlett	Class 4—Dexter	Class 3—Ted	
	Class 4—Amelia			

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

Let's Get Chatting

Here is a good article on how to encourage young children to talk:

https://www.livewellsouthwest.co.uk/lets-get-chatting?
utm source=Facebook&utm medium=social&utm campaign=Orlo



Dates for your diary:

September

28th Clive Pig storyteller visit (Class 3 & 4)
 27th Holsworthy College open evening
 28th Launceston College open evening

<u>October</u>

2nd Cross country at Holsworthy College Yrs 4, 5 & 6

4th Okehampton College open evening 17th Flu immunisations years R to 6

18th Vision screening Yr R

18th Friends of Halwill AGM 2.30pm20th Harvest Assembly 2.30pm.

23rd to 27th Half term 30th Non-pupil day

<u>November</u>

3rd Home Learning Projects to be submitted
 9th Tempest Photos—individuals and families
 10th Parents viewing of Home Learning projects

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/



Friends of Halwill AGM

18th October, 2.30pm
All welcome

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



Wednesday 4th October 2023

An opportunity for Students and Families in Years 4,5,6 to visit the College and meet existing students who will be on hand to give guided tours. There will also be an opportunity to attend a presentation by the Principal. Full details can be found on the College Website and promoted through the Primary Schools.

If you are unable to attend on the 4th October alternative visits can be arranged on either Thursday 5th, Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 18th October. For further information please contact the College.





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We Look Forward to Meeting you!









Holsworthy Community College

Small enough to know you, big enough to make a difference

Open Evening

Wednesday 27 September 5-7pm

Open morning on Monday 2 October

Email the school to book a place for that day or other dates

Ofsted said:

Behaviour is calm and orderly

Subject leaders have defined the essential knowledge for pupils to learn Leaders have created a strong culture of safeguarding

Leaders have created a creative and ambitious curriculum for all pupils



https://www.hcc.devon.sch.uk

Email: admin@hccdevon.org



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