#### THE CAREY FEDERATION







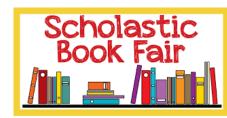
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## Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Dear Parents,

Scholastic Book Fair 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

We are very pleased to be having a Book Fair for the first time since Covid. The Book Fair will be open every day after school. Please do come along with your child and encourage them to choose a book.



#### <u>Careers Fair</u>

As part of our intent to 'widen children's worlds' we are planning a Careers Fair. Parents, extended family or family friends who do a job the children may be unfamiliar with or not know the details of, are invited to let us know if you would be willing to come in for a morning or afternoon to talk to groups of children about your job. Please let the office know if you would be interested in this.

#### Class 4 Geography Project



Class 4 have been working in groups on Geography games linked to their learning which compares human and physical features of London and Rotterdam and explores trade links, economy and sustainability. We would like to invite parent to drop in on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April between the times of 3:00pm- 4:00pm to have a chance to play

the games with their children.

#### Schools Exhibition, Burton Gallery, Bideford

The Schools Exhibition is on from **1**<sup>st</sup> **March to 7**<sup>th</sup> **April 2024** so do try and go along to look at the children's work on display. Some families have been and thoroughly enjoyed the experience.



#### Parent Consultation Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 1:45 – 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.

#### DIY Easter Decoration

There are only a few places left. Please book by tomorrow if you are interested.



#### FRIENDS OF HALWILL SCHOOL PRESENTS

## Easter

## D.I.Y Decoration

Friday March 22nd 5:30PM - 7PM Halwill School Adults £10 Children £5

Open to all the Public, Parents and Children Year 3 and above All participants are guided in making a beautiful decoration with Jane Wonnacott All materials are provided & refreshments available

> Places are limited Booking is essential by email to friendsofhalwillschool@gmail.com

#### Charity Number 1116245

#### Tempest Photos

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

Wild Tribe



Class 3 will have Wild Tribe after the Easter holidays, on Tuesday afternoons.

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 must be tied up.



#### 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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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

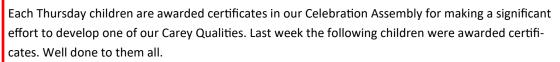
**Safeguarding** 

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

These will come directly to a safeguarding lead.

The Carey Qualities

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



For building	For being	For being	For being	For being
Relationships	Resilient	Resourceful	Reflective	Respectful
Class 2—Thomas	Class 1—Erin	Class 2—Reggie	Class 1—Lottie	Class 3—Jack
		Class 2—Sidney	Class 3—Obie	Class 4—Jemima
		Class 4—Charlie	Class 4—Bronwen	

#### Attendance Officer: Miss S Revers Safeguarding Governor: Mrs A Clark

**Every Piece Matters** 

Dates for your diary:				
<u>March</u>				
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			
		RR		
<u>May</u>				
2nd	Swimming years 3 & 4	Dates for your diary		
6th	Bank holiday			
9th	Swimming years 3 & 4			
23rd	Swimming years 5 & 6	the same such see		
27th to 31st	Half term			
<u>June</u>		0000000		
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			
		TERM		
<u>July</u>		SCHOOL		
4th	Swimming years R, 1 & 2	UATES		
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: <u>https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/halwill-primary-school/parents/term-dates/</u>

#### <u>Swimming</u>

Swimming starts after the Easter holidays. Please ensure you have completed the google permission form by Thursday 28th March. Thank you.

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## 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.



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#### Friends of Halwill Primary School

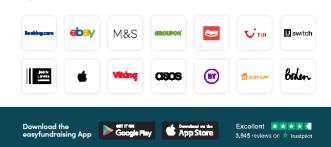
#### with easyfundraising

You shop, brands donate to us. It won't cost you any extra!

#### How to sign up



3 Your favourite brands donate whenever you spend with them





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.

#### <u>How to apply</u>

Through the Citizen Portal (<u>https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal\_LIVE/</u> <u>Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal\_live</u>) 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 KS2 (school year 6) **£2 per child** Cakes, Bacon Baps & Refreshments We will have the hall in the event of wet weather

**Registered Charity Number: 1033643** 

# Scallywags Pre School Easter Draw Monday 8th April 2024

1st Príze - Luxury Hamper

2nd Príze - Cash Príze

3rd Príze - Easter Hamper

# Tickets £1 each

Tickets are available from the Staff, Committee or Parents of Scallywags or email

scallywagspreschool@outlook.com

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## **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: <u>https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/time2move</u>





## \*\*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.



