

Monday 9th June 2025

Halwill Primary School

Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Newsletter No. 20 Summer Term

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the new half term. Last week was a busy week and there is a lot more to come! Please read on for details!

Halwill Ofsted Report

I am sure you will have seen our superb Ofsted report <https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/key-information/halwill-ofsted-reports-and-school-performance/>. We are delighted to have been judged as 'Outstanding' for Behaviour and Attitudes. Only an average of 19% of schools across the country have received Outstanding for Behaviour and Attitudes in the last 3 years. This is recognition of what we see of your children every single day. Their behaviour is exemplary in the classroom, corridors, lunch hall and playground. This is a result of the 'aim high' attitudes of staff and our embedded values which enable a relational approach to behaviour management. Alongside this, your unwavering support in promoting positive behaviour and the children's determination to 'aim high' and 'take care of each other' must be commended.

Non-Uniform Day Friday 13th June – Reward for Children

We have asked the children what they would like as a reward for their Outstanding Ofsted outcome. The children have asked for a non uniform day and a variety of fun activities, so this will take place this Friday. Please ensure clothing is suitable for school - no strappy or off the shoulder tops, shorts and skirts should be of an appropriate length for school.

Non-Pupil Day Monday 16th June

Please note, the NON-PUPIL DAY on Monday 16th June is not after a holiday. This will give you a long weekend in the middle of the term.

DISP School Council Meeting

The School is part of the Devon Independent Schools Partnership (DISP) which is a collaboration of maintained primary schools. We work together to provide training and support for staff and opportunities for the children.

As part of this, we organised a DISP School Council Meeting at Hatherleigh Community Centre on Tuesday. The purpose of the meeting is to give the School Council an opportunity to meet, collaborate and discuss across a number of schools. Henry and Gabe were excellent representatives of Halwill School. The focus of discussion was Internet Safety. We have arranged a follow up virtual meeting via TEAMS this term to continue the discussion and to ensure all Y5/6 School Council members can attend, as we appreciate, it can be challenging for parents to transport children due to other commitments.

Year 1 Phonics Screening & Year 4 Multiplication Statutory Assessments

Year 1 and Year 4 children have these statutory tests this week. Year 4 have been practising times tables and Year 1 children have been working hard in their Read Write Inc session. Results will be shared in the end of year report.

YR, 1&2 Newquay Zoo Trip – Tuesday 15th July

This year, KS1 have the exciting opportunity of a class trip to Newquay Zoo, which ties in with their curriculum work. A letter will come home shortly.

THE CAREY FEDERATION



Upcoming Events

June 10

Okehampton Staff Meeting Y6
New Reception Pupils Transition Afternoon
After School Club – KS1 – Cricket

June 12

Swimming Y5/6
After School Club – KS1/2 - Singing club
After School Club – KS1/2 – Cheerleading

June 13

Non -Uniform Day

June 16

Non -pupil Day

June 24

Transition day – Holsworthy College
08.50am – 3.10pm

June 25

Transition day – Holsworthy College
08.50am – 3.10pm
Transition day – Okehampton College
08.50am – 3.10pm

June 26

Transition day – Okehampton College
08.50am – 3.10pm

July 2

London Trip Y5/Y6

July 8

Sports Day

July 15

Newquay Zoo Trip – Year R, 1&2

July 21

Year 6 Leavers' Show 6:00 pm

July 22

Open Evening & Summer Concert 3:30 – 5:30 pm

July 23

Last Day of Term

School Lunches – please book by Sunday for the following week

Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies

The Year 6 children received their Leavers' Hoodies in Friday's Celebration Assembly. They may wear these instead of their school jumper for the remainder of the term. Please do remember to name them.



Bunting Competition

To celebrate VE Day, the children created bunting which was judged by the Friends of Halwill. Congratulations to Louie, Erin and Ada (KS1) and Henry, Chloe S and Freddie W (KS2)

Okehampton College Transition Visit

Elizabeth Underwood will visit the Year 6 children going up to Okehampton on Tuesday 10th June, in the morning. She will also meet with Miss Miners. Parents haven't been invited to this.

Summer Event Dates

Please see the dates for Sports Day, Summer Concert & Open Evening and Year 6 Leavers' Show.

The Open Evening on Tuesday 22nd July, is from 3:30 – 4:30 and is an opportunity to view your child's work, meet your child's new teacher, if they are moving class and say goodbye to their previous teacher.

The Summer Concert is from 4:30 – 5:30 and showcases children who are learning instruments, including those learning recorder in school. All children will be involved in singing.

Class Teachers September 2025

In September, teachers will be as follows:

Class 1: Mrs Cawsey and Miss Mathews

Class 2: Miss Preece

Class 3: Mrs Rothery

Class 4: Miss Miners

Mrs Beer has an exciting new opportunity to be teaching Religion and World View across the Federation and providing teachers with leadership time. She will be missed in Class 1 and has given many years of dedicated service to the Reception children but we are delighted that she will have the opportunity to teach her former children in the older classes.

Useful Links

School Contact Details

Tel: 01409 221476

Email: admin@halwill.devon.sch.uk

Website: [Halwill Primary School–
Halwill and Ashwater Primary Schools](http://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

**Monday
June 16
NON-Pupil Day**

Sad News

I regret to inform you that Claire Baker, who was the Federation Cook for a number of years, has sadly passed away. I am sure you will join me in sending heartfelt condolences to her family. Claire was a warm hearted lady, who not only cooked wonderful meals for our children, but truly embodied a 'take care of each other' approach to everything she did for the children.

After school Clubs

Please find information regarding After School clubs on our website:

<https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/halwill-primary-school/about-us/before-after-school-clubs/>

Drop off and Pick up

Please ensure younger siblings are with parents at all times and not left unattended on the school grounds. School children and siblings should not be on the play equipment at drop off and pick up.

Uniform Ordering

Please start putting in your orders for September to leave enough time to ensure you have it in time. We also encourage the use of second hand uniform and the Friends will be organising a sale of this shortly.

Swimming

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

Mrs Ruh Alford
Executive Headteacher

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
Chloe L (23 rd May)	Louie – Class 2 Brody – Class 2	Hazel – Class 1 Erin – Class 2	Euan – Class 1 Gabe – Class 4 (23 rd May)	Hazel – Class 1 Aiden – Class 2 (23 rd May)
Freddie W (6 th June)	Jack H – Class 3 (23 rd May)	Obie – Class 3 (6 th June)	Euan – Class 1 Finley – Class 2 Dougje – Class 3 (6 th June)	Millie – Class 2 OBH – Class 4 Joshua – Class 4 (6 th June)

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