







Newsletter No.24 Summer Term, 18th April 2023 01409 221476























































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Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Dear Parents.

Welcome back to the Summer Term! I hope you and your children had a good Easter. We only have one third of the school year left but it will be busy!

Internet Safety Workshop for Parents and Carers, Wednesday 19th April, 5:15 pm at Halwill School

Please do attend this important workshop in good numbers. The internet is so useful but there are

potential risks. Jon Galling, the Senior Safeguarding Officer for DCC will be delivering this. Jon has requested that children of any age, including

babies and toddlers do not attend the session due to the potentially sensitive

Refreshments will be provided and there will be a free wine raffle.

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Supporting parents or carers to help their children use the internet safely

"I'm not a Police Officer, and most definitely not a Tech expert. In fact, I'm a bit like you, a parent who wants to make my child's use of the internet as safe as possible" (Jon Galling, Senior Education Safeguarding Officer for Devon County Council and deliverer of this workshop)

The session is designed not to scare or intimidate, but to reflect and review what the dangers of the online or virtual world are and how, as parents and carers we can help our children navigate the challenges they will face.

The session will help those attending to:

Understand the risks and some ways in which these can be managed

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- Understand the benefits of technology including as support for mental health and wellbeing
- · Know where to go to find practical support
- · Consider how to support your child navigate their 'virtual world'

Statutory Assessments

There are some assessments which are statutory so all schools are obliged to administer these. The tests are all set externally by the DfE and results form part of your child's record. If your child is in one of the year groups below they will be taking a statutory assessment this term. Results will be shared with you in their end of year report.

Year 6

As you know, Year 6 will sit the Key Stage 2 SATs this year. Here is a link to the Power Point shared at the recent meeting. It includes the SATs timetable, which some parents have asked about: https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/SATs-meeting.pres-2023.pdf

It can be found on the Class 4 Page of the website.

Year 4

Year 4 children will undertake an on-line Multiplication Check. This is carried out one-to-one with a teacher overseeing. This will take place between Monday 5th June and Friday 16th June. To support children, please encourage them to learn their times tables and use Times Tables Rockstars frequently.

Year 2

Year 2 will sit SATs tests for the End of Key Stage 1. Due to the age of the children, we try to make these feel like an end of term assessment that they are already used to and the children usually enjoy the challenge and rise to it. These will take place in the week of 15th May. There will be four tests during the week: Arithmetic, Maths Reasoning and two Reading papers. To support your child, please keep the 5 reads a week going and talk about the text with them to help their understanding. We will soon be introducing 'Reading Buddies' which will help further. Please continue to encourage your child to use 'Mathletics'.

Year 1

Year 1 will undertake a Phonic Screening Check in the week of 12th June.. This is a one-to-one assessment with a teacher and tests their ability to read single words using their decoding and blending skills which they are taught during Read, Write Inc sessions. There will also be some nonsense words included. To support your child, keep hearing them read the 'Read, Write Inc' books and encourage them to sound out (or 'Fred Talk') rather than guessing the words.

Reading Buddies

This week, we will be introducing Reading Buddies to those children who are not on the Read, Write Inc scheme. It is an on-line resource of e-books that your child will move through according to their level. They will choose a 'Buddy' character who asks them questions about the text as they move through.

From the week of 24th April, children will be able to use Reading Buddies at home. We suggest that Reading Buddies forms 2 or 3 of your child's '5 Reads per Week' and the rest are from a physical book. Please continue to note the 5 Reads in your child's reading records.

Information on how to join Reading Buddies from home will be sent to you separately.

There will be a meeting on Monday 24th April at 3:00 pm at Halwill School to explain 'Reading Buddies' further.



Staff News

As you may know, Miss Warran has not been in school for a few weeks. Sadly, she has taken the decision to return home to Plymouth so won't be returning as a class teacher. However, she will be at Halwill next Tuesday and Wednesday and will support Mrs Rothery in Class 2. This will give her an opportunity to say goodbye to the children. We thank Miss Warran for her care and teaching of the children and wish her well for the future.

Mrs Rothery and Mrs Gleed will be the job-share teachers for the remainder of the term. We are in the process of recruiting a new teacher for Class 2 from September 2023.

Maths Workshop for Parents, Tuesday 2nd May, 4:30 pm at Halwill School

Our home-learning questionnaire, indicated that a number of parents would like a workshop to support them with the current methods of teaching Maths. We are very aware that if we were not in schools ourselves, we would find the methods completely alien to those we were taught.

Mrs Batstone, our Maths Lead, will be leading this session. Don't worry, there will be no tests! But hopefully you will come away with a clearer understanding of how to support your child. It is suitable for parents of children in any class in the Federation.

Swimming Summer Term 2023

We are pleased to be able to offer swimming again in the summer. The children will be taken to and from Ruby Oak Park Swimming Pool by coach along with Ashwater children of the same year groups. This will be on Thursday mornings as follows.

Year Groups	Dates			
Y 3/4	20/04, 27/04, 04/05, 11/05			
Y 5/6	18/05, 25/05, 08/06, 15/06			
Y R/1/2	22/06, 29/06, 06/07, 20/07			

To save time in assessing and grouping during the first session, Ruby Oak have requested some information. Please click the link to complete the Google form https://forms.gle/oXt2Ubbk11Kfqxbw9 and consent to sharing this information with Ruby Oak.

Please can parents of Y3/4 complete the Google form as soon as possible as the first session is this Thursday.

A towel and swimming costume should be sent in a swimming bag on the day. Goggles are optional and swimming caps are not required but long hair must be tied up. School fruit snack will be taken for YR/1/2, a healthy, nut-free, snack can also be sent in for other year groups.

Children will need to be able to change independently so practising this at home and going through routines such as putting items back in their bags can really help. Please ensure everything, including underwear, is labelled.



Holsworthy College Transition Meeting Friday 21st April

Gareth Smith, Principal of Holsworthy College, will visit the Y6 pupils transferring to Holsworthy in September 2023 on Friday 21st April.

Parents are invited to come in and meet him at 3:00 pm. Please sign in at the office.

After School Clubs

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

Wild Tribe

Class 3 will have Wild Tribe on Tuesdays for the first half of the Summer Term.

Classes 1 & 2 will have Wild Tribe for the second half of the Summer Term.

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 should be tied up.

During Wild Tribe sessions, children may be given hot chocolate and marshmallows. If you would like to see the ingredient list, please speak to the Office and please let us know if your child CANNOT have these.

Bex Rayner, Footballer Visit, Thursday 4th May 2023



Following the inspirational success or the Lionesses' win of the women's World Cup in 2022, we want to give the children the opportunity to meet a female football player. We have arranged for Bex Rayner, a Sheffiled United player and part of the Team GB football squad, to visit on Thursday 4th May 2023. Today I spoke to the children about a whole school fitness session which will be led by Bex Rayner and The Sports for Champions Team.

Children will come home today with sponsorship forms so that they can be sponsored to take part in the whole school fitness event. 40% of the funds raised from this sponsorship will be going to the running costs for,

'Sports For Champions'. 60% of the funds raised will be used to purchase sports equipment for the school. The money that the children collect can be brought in to the school office, or it can be paid online using the QR code on the children's letter.

On the back of the sponsorship form there is a list of prizes for children based on the amount that they raise. However, there is no obligation for the children to raise money and they will take part in the assembly and the fitness sessions regardless.

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.



For building	For being	For being	For being	For being
Relationships	Resilient	Resourceful	Reflective	Respectful
Class 3—Albie	Class 4—Alfie	Class 4—Drake		
Class 2—Megan	Class 3—Henry			
	Class 3—Lily			

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

A reminder that we have an Internet Safety Workshop for Parents on Wednesday, 19th April at 5:15 pm at Halwill School. Please come and learn about how to protect your child from one of the biggest threats in their lives.

Refreshments will be served and there will be a FREE Wine Raffle.

Lunch on Friday 5th May will be in the form of a street party to celebrate the King's Coronation.

There is one slight amendment to the school lunch menu. Instead of a lolly pop, dessert will be ice cream with strawberries and blueberries.

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Thank you



Dates for your diary:

<u> April</u>

17th Start of summer term

19th Parent internet safety workshop 5.15-6.30pm, school hall. (NB. Parents/carers only)

20th Swimming Years 3 & 4

21st HCC to visit Year 6. Parents welcome at 3.00pm.

w/c 24th Bikeability for Y5

24th Reading Buddies meeting. 3pm @ Halwill

27th Swimming Years 3 & 4

<u> May</u>

1st Bank holiday

2nd Maths Workshop for Parents. 4.30pm (Halwill School)

4th Swimming Years 3 & 4

4th Bex Rayner—footballer visit

8th Bank holiday 9th to 12th KS2 SAT's

11th Swimming Years 3 & 4 18th Swimming Years 5 & 6

22nd Yr R, 1 & 2 trip to Newquay Zoo

24th North Dartmoor search and rescue team visiting

25th Swimming Years 5 & 6

29th May to 2nd June Half term

June

5th Non-pupil day

Swimming Years 5 & 6

15th Swimming Years 5 & 6

22nd Swimming Years R, 1 & 2

29th Swimming Years R, 1 & 2

<u>July</u>

4th to 6th Class 4 London Trip

6th Swimming Years R, 1 & 2

13th Sports Day. Parents/carers welcome at 1.30pm.

20th Swimming Years R, 1 & 2

21st Last day of term

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





Come and hear the bells of Halwill church being rung by members of the Tamar Valley Guild of Ringers

Wednesday 19th April 2023 starting at 7pm

Refreshments available



TAMAR VALLEY GUILD OF RINGERS

Local Contact: 01409 220049

The TVGR is keen to hear from any lapsed ringers who would like to ring again or anybody who is interested in learning to ring







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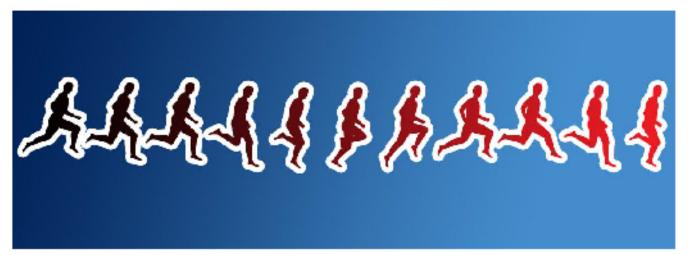


Workplace Storage & In-Vehicle Equipment

Wednesday 14th June 2023 6·00pm Start for Sch Yrs 3&under 6·30pm Start for Sch Yrs 4&above

This is the 14th running of this 1mile race around Bude's cycleways and canal towpath

Includes Senior 6 Mile Race at 7·15pm Race 6 of the Cornish Multi Terrain Race Series



Online entry at <u>www.buderats.co.uk/budelifeboatrun</u>

www.facebook.com/budelifeboatrun

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