







## Halwill Primary School

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

Dear Parents,

Many Key Stage 2 children are at the Cross Country event at Holsworthy College today. They all looked excited before they went and we look forward to hearing how they got on.

### **Staff News**

You may remember that the Governors approved the fixed term, temporary appointment of additional Teaching Assistants for one year to help support plug the gaps in learning as a result of COVID. At the end of the year, governors will review whether we are able to continue these posts. I am delighted to tell you that Thomasin Farrow has been appointed as an additional Teaching Assistant for this academic year.

In addition we have appointed a further part-time Teaching Assistant for the year. Once the final recruitment checks are made, I will share this appointment with you next week.



#### **Friends Meeting**

There will be a meeting at school on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 3:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

#### **Dogs Trust Visit**

On 3<sup>rd</sup> October we will have a visit from the Dog's Trust to talk to children about being safe around dogs.

Mrs Ruh Alford

Executive Headteacher.

# **Safeguarding at Halwill**

### **The Safeguarding Team**

**Designated Safeguarding Lead:** 

Mrs R Alford

**Attendance Officer:** 

Miss S Revers

**Safeguarding Governor:** 

Mrs G Marshall

#### **Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead:**

Mrs A Rothery
Miss J Miners
Mrs R Cawsey—SENDCo

See the Government Advice on how to "recognise domestic abuse and getting help": <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/domestic-abuse-how-to-get-help#get-help-for-children-and-young-people">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/domestic-abuse-how-to-get-help#get-help-for-children-and-young-people</a>

Does your partner, ex-partner or someone you live with:

- cut you off from family and friends and intentionally isolate you?
- bully, threaten, or control you?
- take control of your finances?
- monitor or limit your use of technology?
- physically and/or sexually abuse you?

Domestic abuse is not always physical violence. It can also include:

- coercive control and 'gaslighting'
- economic abuse
- online abuse
- threats and intimidation
- emotional abuse
- sexual abuse

Anyone can be a victim of domestic abuse, regardless of gender, age, ethnicity, religion, socio-economic status, sexuality or background.

If you believe that you are a victim of domestic abuse, there are signs that you can look out for including:

- being withdrawn, or being isolated from your family and friends
- having bruises, burns or bite marks on you
- having your finances controlled, or not being given enough to buy food, medication or pay bills
- not being allowed to leave your house, or stopped from going to college or work
- having your internet or social media use monitored, or someone else reading your texts, emails or letters
- being repeatedly belittled, put down or told you are worthless
- being pressured into sex or sexual contact
- being told that abuse is your fault, or that you're overreacting

See more signs to look for.

If you are worried that a friend, neighbour or loved one is a victim of domestic abuse then you can call the National Domestic Abuse Helpline for free and confidential advice, 24 hours a day on 0808 2000 247.

If you believe there is an immediate risk of harm to someone, or it is an emergency, you should always call 999

## Dates for your diary:

<u>September</u>

28th Holsworthy College Open Evening 29th Friends of Halwill Meeting 3pm

<u>October</u>

3rd Dogs Trust visit

5th Okehampton College Open Evening

24th October half term begins

31st-1st Nov Inset days

<u>November</u>

2nd Pupils return to school



#### **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
Arthur—class 4	Leonie—class 4	Dougie—class 2	Emelia—class 4	
Jack—class 2	Albie—class 3	Niamh—class 2	Sidney—class 3	
Megan—class 2	Jessica—class 3			
Nathania—class 2	Ethan—class 2			
Ivy—class 1	Chloe—class 1			

Please remember to order your School lunches via schoolmoney by Friday of each week.

This helps us cater correctly. Thank you