



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

Dear Parents,



Thank you to parents and children for contributing to Children in Need last week, it was great to see the children in their non-uniform. We raised £69.20.

We were pleased to see so many parents attending Parent Consultation. If you were unable to attend, please contact the office and class teachers will see you at another time.

Unfortunately, Miss Warran and Mrs Evans were poorly so the Class 2 and Class 3 meetings have been rescheduled for tomorrow, Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November and you will be given the same slot you originally booked. If you would like to change this, please contact the office. We are very sorry for any inconvenience this has caused.

### Reporting Absence

A reminder to please call or email the school office by 9:00 am if your child is off sick. Even if they were off the previous day, please let us know each day that they are going to be off. Thank you

Display for Home-Learning Projects, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2:45 pm

**All parents are invited to come and see a display of the projects in the class rooms on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 2:45 pm.** Your child will be able to spend some time with you looking at the projects. We really hope you will be able to join as we have missed having parents in school over the last few years.

### Vacancy

We are recruiting for a new Meal Time Assistant. Please see the advert on our website:

<https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/halwill-primary-school/about-us/job-vacancies/>



### Tag Rugby



Unfortunately, the tag rugby was cancelled today due the weather. We will let you know the new date once it has been confirmed but this is likely to be after Christmas.

### Friends of Halwill School Update

Sadly, Elisha Brown has taken the decision to stand down as Chair of the 'Friends'. Thank you for the work she did this term. Vicky Cook, has taken on this role. Laura Griffiths will support her as Co-Chair and Tiffany Perry has taken on the role of Secretary. I am really pleased and grateful to these parents for putting themselves forward for these roles.

Unfortunately, we don't yet have a Treasurer. We really need someone to put themselves forward for this role because the 'Friends' is a registered charity so having someone in this role is a requirement.

I know, as a working parent, how busy you all are, so I have suggested the 'Friends' keep activities to the minimum and are realistic in what they are able to offer and do.

With Christmas approaching, the 'Friends' are keen that things still go ahead so the children don't miss out. Thank you to them for organising the Christmas Craft Party, you will have received a letter about this already.

If you are able to offer help as a Treasure or as a committee member, please let us know. Without the 'Friends' there will be many fun activities for the children and fundraisers that will not be able to happen, which will be very sad indeed for all the children.

### Household Support Fund

Please see a notice from the Early Help Team of Devon County Council

We are pleased to announce that we have access to further funding to support families on low incomes to support with food and utility costs. This is through the Household Support Fund.

Families on low incomes can get help with food and utility costs via the new round of the **Household Support Fund**, which Early Help are administering locally. The scheme runs until **31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**. Funds are limited, so when the allocation is used up we will close for applications.

Through this fund, Early Help is able to provide a grant per family to support with:

- Food
- Supporting for energy and water bills for household purposes
- Essential white goods such as a fridge, freezer or cooker
- Consideration for petrol for essential journeys

The family needs to meet the following criteria:

- You are a family (at least 2 people where at least 1 person is either pre-birth or up to 18 years old)
- You are experiencing financial hardship
- You need financial help to pay utility bills or buy food and essential items linked to food, warmth, and utilities for your family
- Not have received financial assistance from another source for the same reason

Please note:

- Payment will be sent directly to families through BACS (it is essential we have the families bank details)
- There will be no food vouchers available in this scheme
- Only one application for an award per household within this round (HSF3) of the scheme, that will run from 16 November 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023. Repeat applications are unlikely to be successful.
- If a family have previously received hardship funding from Early help applications to HSF1 and 2 they will be considered. However, families who have not previously received funding will be prioritised

**Please contact Mrs Alford via the school office if you would like to apply for this fund.**



## Christmas Dates

This year we have changed the format of the Christmas Performances so we have three separate shows. This means that parents and extended family will only watch the show their child is in, obviously if you have children in different classes you will watch each of these.

We are not restricting numbers, but we are asking that parents and family attend **only one** of the two showings for their child's class.

The changes mean we will not be issuing tickets this year. Please see below for the show dates and times.



Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Non-uniform Day – children to bring in a hamper item or £1 to Friends' Christmas fund.  3:30 – 5:00 pm Christmas Craft Party  5:00 pm Christmas Tree Light Switch-On – parents / carers welcome
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	9:30am Class 1&2 Christmas Production - Parents welcome 2:30 pm Class 1&2 Christmas Production – Parents welcome
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	2:20 pm Class 3 Christmas Production – Parents welcome 3:00 pm Class 4 Christmas Production – Parents welcome  5:30 pm Class 3 Christmas Production – Parents welcome 6:15 pm Class 4 Christmas Production – Parents welcome
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	2:00 pm Church Service in the Baptist Chapel – Parents welcome

## 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 <b>Relationships</b>	For being <b>Resilient</b>	For being <b>Resourceful</b>	For being <b>Reflective</b>	For being <b>Respectful</b>
Class 1—Esmay Class 2—Belle	Class 2—Oliver Class 4—Emily	Class 4—Kitty	Class 1—Amelia Class 3—Harley Class 3—Henry	Class 4—Caleb

### *Dates for your diary:*

#### November

- 22nd 1.45-6pm Parent Consultation (Class 2 and Class 3)  
25th Display of Home Learning Projects for Parents / Carers to view 2:45 pm

#### December

- 1st Non-uniform Day  
3:30 – 5:00 pm Christmas Craft Party  
5:00 pm Christmas Tree Light Switch-On  
7th 9:30am Class 1 & 2 Christmas Production—Parents welcome  
2:30 pm Class 1 & 2 Christmas Production – Parents welcome  
13th 2:20 pm Class 3 Christmas Production – Parents welcome  
3:00 pm Class 4 Christmas Production – Parents welcome  
5:30 pm Class 3 Christmas Production – Parents welcome  
6:15 pm Class 4 Christmas Production – Parents welcome  
14th Christmas Lunch  
16th Church Service in the Baptist Chapel. 2.00pm.  
16th Last day of Autumn term

#### January

- 2nd Bank holiday  
3rd First day of Spring term

#### February

- 13th to 17th Half term

#### March

- 31st End of term

#### April

- 17th Start of summer term

#### May

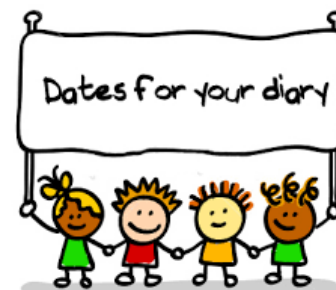
- 1st Bank holiday  
8th Bank holiday  
29th May to 2nd June Half term

#### June

- 5th Non-pupil day

#### July

- 21st Last day of term



## School lunches—have your say!

Devon Norse who provide our school lunches are Looking to improve their service. Even if your child does not currently have school lunches, please take a few moments to complete the online questionnaire. Thank you.

<https://forms.office.com/r/y8tiTr4vHa>



# 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 G Marshall

## **Anti-Bullying Week**

Last week was Anti-Bullying Week. Teachers talked to the children about the importance of 'Reaching Out' if they were worried about themselves or someone else.

Here is a video that reiterates this message:

<https://youtu.be/aMfgZRdVbdw>

It is really important to encourage your child to tell a school adult if someone is unkind or bullies them. Children can feel worried about getting others 'into trouble' but in fact 'Reaching Out' is the way we can help. Usually, if the child who is being unkind or bullying has the opportunity to talk through and think about the impact of their behaviour with a school adult, they change their behaviour.



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



## Achievements outside of school

Congratulations to Carter and Emelia who both completed their Taekwondo grading at the weekend. They both attend the Dragon Taekwondo Academy.



# **Christmas Lunch**

Wednesday 14th December. Please order through SchoolMoney asap.



## **CHRISTMAS LUNCH**



**Roast Turkey**

*or*

**Vegetarian Roast**

*served with*

**Roast Potatoes**

**Pigs in Blankets**

**Sage & Onion Stuffing**

**Peas, Carrots & Sprouts**

**Gravy & Cranberry Sauce**

*followed by*

**Christmas Pudding Cake**



*or Ice Cream Tub*

