

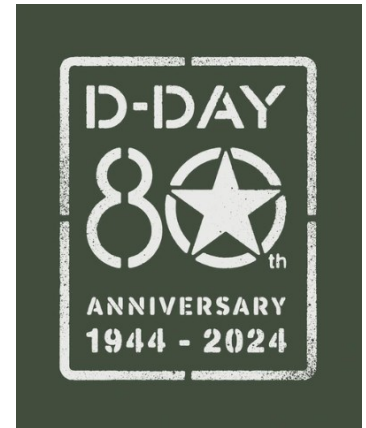


Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Dear Parents,

The children returned from their half term holiday refreshed and ready for learning. Last week we held a special assembly to commemorate the 80th anniversary of D-Day. Children were very respectful and interested to learn about the men and women who contributed to D-Day. Many children were knowledgeable too. We watched part of this excellent BBC Newsround special and talked about the importance of commemorating D-Day.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m001zyfw>



Careers Week

Before half term, I told you about the fantastic Careers Week Speakers. On the Friday before half term, we had more superb talks.

Suzanna Spacey, mum to Freya and Chloe from Halwill, visited both schools and told the children about her job as a Global Research and Analysis Director. Suzanna broke down this complicated sounding title, brilliantly for the children. Suzanna explained that she does research for global companies such as Coca Cola. The children were interested to identify the different brands from their logos. Suzanna really simplified the information for the children into understandable chunks and as a result they asked excellent questions and gained a lot.

Finally, Lianne Wood, mum to Matilde at Halwill, visited both schools to talk to the children about her job as a physiotherapist and more recently a researcher. It was very interesting to hear about a different type of research from Lianne, compared to Suzanna, who we heard earlier. The children particularly enjoyed the practical aspects of the session.

Thank you to everyone who has spoken to the children. We really appreciate people giving up their time and it really has been a wonderful opportunity for the children.

WELL DONE!

Maintained Headteachers Executive

Devon have created a new Maintained Headteachers Executive, which is a steering group to give the voice of the maintained schools to Devon County Council. I am pleased to tell you I have been elected to the Executive. This means that the Federation will have a voice at County level.

PTFA Meeting

The next PFA meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th July at 9am.



Breakfast Club Timings

Breakfast Club starts at 8:00 and breakfast is served straightaway and so we ask that children arrive before 8:15, otherwise it can be disruptive to the group and awkward for the child to join once everyone has nearly finished eating.

Trips and Visits

We have an exciting programme of trips and visits planned for the children.

Years 5&6 will have Activities Week from Monday 1st July to Friday 5th July. This includes a trip to Bristol, a surfing day and an overnight camp. Parents have already received information about this via letter.



There is a STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Maths) day at Holsorthy College for **Year 5** on 24th June. Letters have been sent home about this.

Years 3&4 will have a Geo Walk trip on 24th June. Letters are being sent home about this.



Years R,1&2 are visiting the Eden Project on 15th July and letters are being sent home about this.

The whole Federation will enjoy a spectacular science show when Wonderstruck visit Halwill School on **Friday 5th July**. Letters have been sent home about this.

Please see the back of the newsletter for all the dates, including the summer events.

Year 1 Phonics Screening & Year 4 Multiplication Statutory Assessments

Year 1 and Year 4 children have aimed high in these assessments this week. Results will be shared in the end of year report.

Year 2 Non-Statutory Assessment

A few weeks ago, I told you that Year 2 SATs are no longer statutory and schools can take the decision whether to do the tests or not.

I explained that we have taken the decision to do the tests but they will be taken much later than usual. This will allow teachers to spend time teaching the full content of the year, before the children take the test. These tests will take place during the weeks of **17th June and 24th June**.

Due to the age of the children, we try to make the tests feel like an end of term assessment that they are already used to and the children usually enjoy the challenge and rise to it. There will be four tests the children will sit: 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. Please keep working on 'Reading Buddies' because this really does help with comprehension and understanding. Please continue to encourage your child to use 'Mathletics'. Results will be shared in the end of year report.

Safeguarding at Ashwater

The Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs R Alford

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs Gee

Miss Frayn

Mrs R Cawsey—SENDCo

Attendance Officer:

Miss S Revers

Safeguarding Governor:

Mrs A Clark

Safeguarding

Remember if you have any issues regarding Safeguarding that you wish to raise, please email: safeguarding@halwill.devon.sch.uk These will come directly to a safeguarding lead.

How to talk to children about keeping safe online



Struggling to talk about online safety with your child? Together with Dr Elly Hanson, clinical psychologist and expert on online harms, Barnardo's have put together some tips to help parents and carers start the conversation about online safety.

<https://www.barnardos.org.uk/get-support/support-for-parents-and-carers/child-abuse-and-harm/keeping-children-safe-online/how-to-talk-children-safe-online>



Dates for your diary:

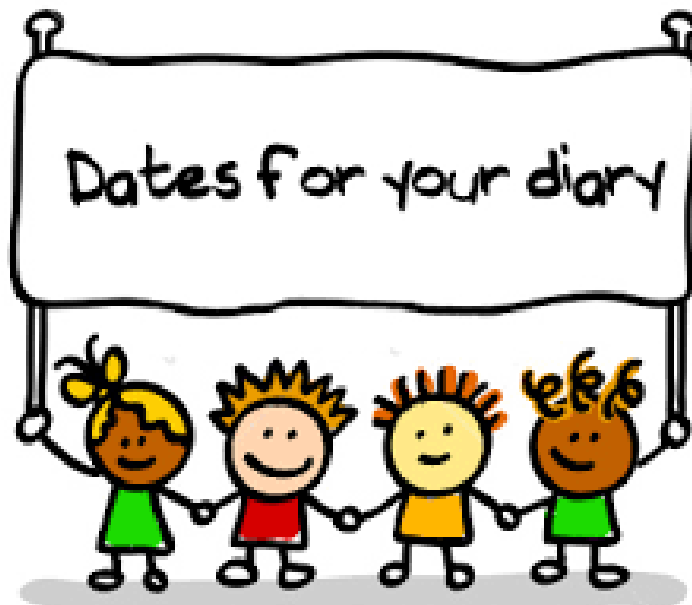
June

20th	Yr 5/6 Swimming
24th	Yr 3/4 Trip—Geology Day in Bude
24th	Yr 5—Stem at HCC
25 & 26th	Holsworthy transition days—Y6
27th	YR/1 and 2 Swimming

July

1st—5th	Yr 5 and 6 Activities Week
4th	Yr R/1 and 2 Swimming
5th	Wonderstruck day at Halwill School
8th	Beach Festival Yr3 and 4 at Bude
10th	9am—PTFA Meeting
10th	Sports Day—parents/carers welcome from 1.30pm
11th	Yr R/1 and 2 Swimming
15th	Yr R/1/2 Trip to Eden Project
18th	Yr R/1 and 2 Swimming
18th	Open Evening, Y6 Leavers and Summer Concert—3.30pm-5pm
23rd	End of term

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





BAG 2 SCHOOL



Our next Bag2School collection
has been arranged for

Wednesday 19th June

Any questions – please ask your school
collection organiser tash1989@hotmail.com



JESS'S DANCE ACADEMY



HATHERLEIGH

Community Centre
EX20 3HB ★ Free parking ★
Suitable for boys & girls

MONDAYS

3:15-3:45pm TINY TOES BALLET (ages 3-5)
3:45-4:15pm BALLET for Schl Yrs Receptn, 1, 2
4:15-4:45pm STREET Dance Yrs Receptn, 1 & 2
4:45-5:15pm STREET DANCE for School Yr 3-8
Children's Classes: to be paid in a 5 week
half-termly block of £20 (£4 per class)

5:30-6:15pm ADULT DANCE FIT £6 or 4 for £20

BRADWORTHY

Memorial Hall
EX22 7SZ ★ Free parking ★
Suitable for boys & girls

WEDNESDAYS

3:40-4:10pm BALLET for Schl Yrs R 1 & 2
4:10-4:40pm STREET Dance Schl Yrs R, 1 & 2
4:40-5:10pm BALLET for Schl Yrs 3, 4, 5, 6
5:10-5:40pm STREET Dance Schl Yrs 3 4 5 6
£4 per class, paid in a half or termly block.

★ Tuesdays: 6-7pm Bradworthy Hall
Adult Dance Fit, £6 weekly or 4 for £20

→ Interested in booking a workshop? Contact me to register your interest and see what other workshops I offer ←

About *Jessica Squire Dance*: Fully insured, enhanced DBS checked, safeguarding and first aid certified. Jess has over 10 years experience teaching dance: in schools, dance schools, toddler classes, hen parties, wedding dances. She trained in RAD Ballet & ISTD Modern Dance, has a Degree in Dance & English and was a professional dancer at *Disneyland Paris* & *Haven Holidays*.

ADVANCED BOOKING ESSENTIAL - BOOK NOW: limited spaces!

A letter with payment details & more info will be sent to those who sign up. For more info & to

BOOK CONTACT Jess on: 07746892660 email: jessicasquire.perform@gmail.com

Why not visit: www.jessicasquire.co.uk or check out Facebook page: Jessica Squire Dance

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.

How to apply

Through the Citizen Portal (https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal_live) 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.