



Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Dear Parents,



Well done to Year 6 who have shown great resilience and an aim high attitude during their SATs tests this week. I have been really impressed with their maturity. They should all be proud of themselves.

RNLI Visit

We recently had a visit from the Royal National Lifeboat Institute. The children learnt about keeping themselves safe on the beach and in the water.



Careers Week Mon 20th – Fri 24th May



Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to talk to the children next week. We have now finalised the timetable and have a variety of careers represented including a head chef, an architect, a physiotherapist and researcher, an accountant, a technology officer and more!

I think it will be an enlightening and fascinating week for the children and really will widen their worlds.

Summer Term Events

Please see the back of the newsletter for the dates of the events this term.

Year 6 Transition to Secondary School

Please see the following key dates:

Wednesday 22nd May - Holsworthy College staff meeting children at Halwill – parents to come at 3:00 pm

Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th June – Holsworthy College Transition Days

Friday 7th June—Okehampton College to meet pupils at Halwill.

Thursday 27th June— Okehampton College transition day—Y6

Price Increases for September 2024

As a Federation we always try to keep the cost to parents as low as possible as we know times are hard.

However, our catering costs have increased and therefore Governors have decided to increase the price of School Lunches from £2.30 to **£2.55** from September 2024.

Our Morning Club is popular but in order to ensure it is viable, Governors have agreed to increase the price from £3.00 to **£3.25** from September 2024. This is still very competitive compared to other schools.

I hope you will understand why Governors have needed to make this decision. If the school subsidises lunches and the Morning Club, this is money we cannot spend on the children's resources, teaching assistants etc.

School lunches and the Morning Health Club are free to pupils eligible for Pupil Premium. Please see details of how to apply later in the newsletter.

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
Class 3—Ted Class 4—Arthur Class 4—Oscar	Class 2—Joseph Class 2—Daisy Class 2—Ada Class 3—Harry Class 3—Bella Class 3—Chloe Class 4—Jessica	Class 1—Brody Class 1—Elodie Class 4—Emily	Class 1—Millie Class 2—Bethany Class 2—Thorin Class 3—Ryan Class 4—Poppy Class 4—Elsie	Class 3—Freya

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

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.



Click here for advice from the RNLI: <https://rnli.org/safety/beach-safety>



Dates for your diary:

May

w/c	Careers Week
22nd	Holsworthy College meeting pupils —parents welcome at 3pm
23rd	Swimming years 5 & 6
27th to 31st	Half term

June

3rd	Non-pupil day
4th-14th	Year 4 Multiplication checks
6th	Swimming years 5 & 6
7th	Okehampton College meeting Y6 pupils
w/c 10th	Year 1 Phonic Screening Checks
13th	Swimming years 5 & 6
18th	Sports Day. Parents welcome at 1.30pm.
20th	Swimming years 5 & 6
21st	Victorian Day Class 4
24th	Yr 5 & 6 Cricket Festival at HCC
25th & 26th	Holsworthy College transition days—Y6
27th	Okehampton College transition day—Y6
27th	Swimming years R, 1 & 2



July

1st –5th	Class 4 Activities Week
2nd	Yr 5 & 6 Football tournament
4th	Swimming years R, 1 & 2
8th	Beach Festival Y3 and 4 at Bude
9th	Open Evening and Summer Concert. 3.30-5.00pm
11th	Swimming years R, 1 & 2
16th	Reserve Sports Day
18th	Swimming years R, 1 & 2
22nd	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 5.00pm
23rd	End of term



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

Swimming

If you have not completed the online swimming permission form, please do so asap. Thank you.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeDyF5MgRRwCmfOie0W_qj4dtgl8SxK-YH0jfeScdYqil83Q/viewform?usp=sf_link



Friends of Halwill Primary School

“The Friends of Halwill school” are parents who work together to help enrich the experiences of school, for example supplying craft and snacks at the Christmas Party! We are always looking for help and support, whether it’s offering ideas, help at events etc we would love to have you on board.

Other ways to support Friends is to sign up to easy fundraising, your shopping online can mean a donation to the school.

Or buying name labels from My Nametags, by using the school ID 28989 the school can get a donation from the sale and school uniform is more likely to get reunited with its owner!

We also have Facebook pages for Friends “Friends of Halwill Primary School” and “Halwill Primary School’s 2nd hand uniform” where for a small donation you can find some good quality used uniform.

Thank you
Friends of Halwill Primary School

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/assets/blt2159bb3d91e9d580/easyfundraising-poster-a4.pdf>

<https://www.mynametags.com/>



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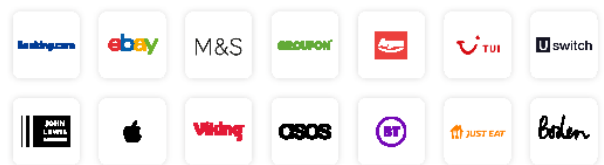
Friends of Halwill Primary School

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You shop, brands donate to us.
It won't cost you any extra!

How to sign up

- 1 Visit the link below or scan the QR code www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause
- 2 Search for us
- 3 Your favourite brands donate whenever you spend with them



Download the easyfundraising App



Excellent 3,945 reviews on Trustpilot

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



STOP
THANKS FOR REMEMBERING
THIS IS A

PEANUT/NUT FREE SCHOOL

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.



Design a School Lunch Competition

We are inviting children to get creative and design a school lunch!

Not only does it need to be fun, tasty and nutritious, we are asking our young customers to think about making it as **eco-friendly as possible**.

The winning dish will be served at your school (plus any other schools wishing to participate) during **Wednesday 5th June!**

You will also win a bundle of eco gifts and win your classmates some eco goodies too!





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Step 1:

Think about your favourite foods. What do you enjoy eating, what dish would you like to have in school with your friends.

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Step 2:

Think about food groups to make sure your lunch is nutritionally balanced:

- Beans, pulses, eggs, fish, meat, and other proteins
- Salad and vegetables
- Potatoes, bread, wraps, rice, pasta, and other starchy carbohydrates
- Dairy and alternatives

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Step 3:

Think about how we can make your lunch as eco-friendly as possible:

- **What's in season?** Springtime means we have lots of broccoli, carrots, cucumber, lettuce, spinach, and spring onion in season in the UK.

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Step 4:

Now imagine if your dish was served using an edible bowl or plate! Does this change your dish? We are partnering with **Mr Stroodles Eco Tableware** for this competition and, if you win, we will serve lunch at your school on edible plates and bowls! No washing up... means we are also saving water!

Judges will be looking for creative menu ideas and the inventive ways you draw your menu ideas. The competition closing date is Friday 24th May. Please email entries to Catering@swnose.co.uk

Please note, details provided such as name, school and age will solely be used for the purpose of this competition and will be stored according to GDPR regulations.



Draw, paint or glue your ideas in the plate below and include key words to describe your dish.

Name _____

Age _____ School _____

Name of your dish _____

- 1: Is this dish what you love to eat? 2: Does this dish contain all the main food groups?
 3: Have you thought about making this dish as eco-friendly as possible?



Email your entry to
Catering@swnorse.co.uk by
Friday 24th May or post to Design a School
Lunch Competition, Venture House,
1 Capital Court, Bittern Road, Sowton
Industrial Estate, Exeter, Devon, EX2 7FW





Don't let your child catch it
– get them vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

Measles symptoms include: high fever; sore, red, watery eyes; coughing; aching and feeling generally unwell; a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after the initial symptoms.

The number of young people catching measles has risen. It's never too late to be vaccinated. You need two doses of MMR one month apart to be fully protected against measles, mumps and rubella.

It's time to make measles a disease of the past.

If you have symptoms of measles, stay at home and phone your GP or NHS 111 for advice. **STAY AWAY** from GP surgeries and A&E departments – you could spread the illness to others.

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the safest way to protect your child

For more information contact your local GP surgery or visit: www.nhs.uk/mmr