





Halwill Primary School

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Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Dear Parents,

A huge well done to Year 2 who completed their SATs last week. They showed a super 'Aim High' attitude and remained focused throughout the tests. Many said they actually enjoyed the formality of the tests. I am very proud of all of them.

Halwill and Ashwater Year 5 & 6 had a super week of activities, which included two nights camping on the Halwill School grounds, a trip to Bristol and a day at Ashwater. I was really impressed with how the children all built relationships and bonded as a



Federation. Their behavior was excellent throughout. A huge thank you to all the staff who helped, including those who stayed for a night and / or accompanied the Bristol trip: Mrs Evans, Miss Warran, Miss Matthews and Mrs Rothery as well as Mrs Hazell, who came over from Ashwater to help with many activities. A huge thanks must go to Miss Frayn and Miss Miners who were with the children throughout the week, including the two nights camping. They were both exhausted by the end of the week but also incredibly happy that the children had benefitted so much from the week. I would also like to say a special thanks to Mrs Skinner who has done most of the behind the scenes organising and planning of the week as well as the cooking.

All the children had the opportunity to make Jubilee commemorative plates with Tarka Pottery and had a great time working with clay.





<u>Platinum Jubilee Afternoon Tea & Circus Skills for Families & Community, Wednesday 25th May 2022, 3:30 – 5:00 pm</u>

We invite parents, carers, Scallywags children and families as well as the wider community to join us for tea and cake while Rob Pudner puts on a Circus Skills Workshop to entertain the children.

Please could we ask you to bake or buy cakes for this occasion. If they are Jubilee themed, even better! According to Natasha's Law, all ingredients will need to be listed together with the cakes. If they are bought, the ingredients on the packets will be adequate but if they are homemade, please type or handwrite the ingredient list and put them in with the cakes. Please send these in by Wednesday morning, thank you.

Please collect children as usual and then join the event on the field. **Children will be the responsibility of their parents** (if you can't attend, please allocate another adult to supervise your child).

Entry will be free but donations to 'Friends' for refreshments will be gratefully received. We hope you will be able to come.

Class Teachers September 2022

Today, teachers shared with children who their class teacher will be for next year.

Mrs Beer and Mrs Batstone will continue to support the new Reception children joining the school and I am delighted to be have Miss Warran for a further year with Class 2. Mrs Evans has established herself well in Class 3 so I am very pleased she will be the Class 3 full time teacher next year.

Mrs Rothery will have a further year with us for 3 days a week, in order to have time with her young family. Next year she will job share with Miss Miners in Class 4. Both are very experienced and excellent teachers and I feel the children will benefit greatly from their expertise.

This arrangement will also benefit all the children as it will enable Miss Miners to have time out of class to continue to drive the curriculum, further mentor and coach other teachers and teaching assistants and give more release time to Mr Cawsey, the Federation SENDCo. In small schools it can be difficult for senior teachers to action school improvement but this model will enable this to happen.

Class 1 (YR) Mrs Laura Beer / Mrs Michelle Batstone (Job Share)

Class 2 (Y1/2) Miss Rebekah Warran

Class 3 (Y3/4) Mrs Victoria Evans

Class 4 (Y5/6) Mrs Alix Rothery / Miss Jayne Miners

B C D E

On Thursday 21st July, we will have an Open Evening and Summer Concert. This will be an opportunity to informally say goodbye to previous teachers, meet new ones, visit current and new classrooms and see children's work books.

<u>Clubs</u>

Further details will be out later this week for after half term.

<u>Wildtribe</u>

Classes 1 and 2 (YR, 1 & 2) will be doing Wildtribe on Tuesdays next half term. They will require waterproofs and wellies to wear over their uniform or if they don't have waterproofs, children should bring in long sleeve tops and trousers (not jeans) and a waterproof coat. Long hair must be tied up. Other classes will have PE on Tuesdays.

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.



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For building	For being	For being	For being	For being
Relationships	Resilient	Resourceful	Reflective	Respectful
Year 5	Year 2	Class 1—Jake	Class 3—Jemima	
Year 6	Class 1—Dougie			

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

Keeping Children Safe Around Dogs - https://www.rspca.org.uk/adviceandwelfare/pets/dogs/company/children/safe

Attendance Officer:

Miss S Revers

Safeguarding Governor:

Mrs G Marshall



Have you moved house? Changed your mobile number?

No longer have a landline?

Please ensure you keep us informed of all changes to your contact details. This can easily be done by using the SIMS parent app or email the office. Thank you

SIMS Parent

If you have not signed on to SIMS Parent, please do take a look. It is your way of ensuring we hold your most up to date contact information as well as your parental consent for day to day things in school



If you have not received your email invitation or are having issues, please email the office.

Swimming change for Class 3 and Class 4

Please note that we have swapped a couple of the swimming dates to allow the year 6 children to attend Okehampton's transition day, whilst not missing out on their swimming session. Therefore, the dates for Class 3 and Class 4 are as follows:

May 26th Swimming Y 3 & 4 June 9th Swimming Y 3 & 4 16th Swimming Y 3 & 4 23rd Swimming Y 5 & 6 (New date) 30th Swimming Y 3 & 4 (New date) July 7th Swimming Y 5 & 6

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Street Party Lunch for Children, Friday 27th May 2022

Please note that when you order a school lunch for this day, the main dessert on schoolmoney will say "chocolate cracknel" - however, the actual dessert will be **strawberries and ice-cream**. Fresh fruit and yoghurt will also be available to order.



Thank you

14th

21st

Dates for your diary:

<u>May</u>

25th Jubilee Drama Workshop

25th Yr R & 6. National child measurement programme 25th Jubilee Afternoon Tea & Circus Skills for Families

3.30-5.00pm.

26th Swimming Y 3 & 4

27th Street Party Lunch for Children

30th May to 3rd June Half term

June

 9th
 Swimming Y 3 & 4

 16th
 Swimming Y 3 & 4

 23rd
 Swimming Y 5 & 6

 30th
 Swimming Y 3 & 4

30th Oke College Yr 6 Transition day

<u>July</u>

7th Swimming Y 5 & 6

7th Sports day part 1 (children only)
12th Yr 6 leavers assembly 5.30-7.00pm.

12th & 13th HCC Yr 6 Transition days

14th Swimming Y 5 & 6

14th Sports day part 2 (Parents invited)

1.30-3.30pm

21st Swimming Y 5 & 6

21st Halwill Open Evening and Summer Concert 3.30-5.30pm.

22nd End of summer term

<u>September</u>

1st Inset day 2nd Inset day

5th Pupils return to school





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

This helps us cater correctly. Thank you



THURSDAY 2ND JUNE 7.30PM

BBQ - CAR PARK - JUNCTION INN

Hosted by Chris & Gail Marshall followed by short walk



CHILLA ROAD - LIGHTING OF THE JUBILEE BEACON AT 9.45PM

FRIDAY 3RD JUNE 7.30PM



BARN DANCE - VILLAGE HALL - Music & calling "WALTER SHORTAGE & THE HOSEPIPE BANNED"

Doors open at 7.30 - for DANCING at 8PM
BAR - KP EVENTS

TICKETS (POST OFFICE) £5.00 IN ADVANCE. £6.00 ON THE DOOR (under 5's free)

SATURDAY 4TH JUNE 2.00PM

FETE - Playing Field - 2.00PM

STALLS AND FUN FOR EVERYONE plus GAMES FOR CHILDREN

CREAM TEAS provided by the WI FAB-U-LOUS

4.30PM ~ Live music - great local acts - performances under the balcony

SUNDAY 5TH JUNE 2.00PM

2.00pm - 3.30pm - family activities on the playing field

3.30pm - 5.30pm ~ "BRING & SHARE"STREET PARTY"

Playing fields ~ Attire " RED WHITE & BLUE "!!

Please bring a plate of food for sharing (place on tables under the balcony)

6.00PM SONGS OF PRAISE

service by Halwill Churches Together

Featuring music from across the years of the Queen's reign.

Supported by Halwill Parish Council and The Balsdon Trust.

Any surplus funds will return to the Parish Council to the benefit of the village.

Contact Hannah Power at email hspower@hotmail.com or 07506 554479

for further information or to book a stall

Halwill Jubilee Committee present an evening of family fun

Live music from

a Ceilidh

Walter Shortage and the Hosepipe Banned

Friday 3rd June 2022

7.30pm - 10.30pm

The Parish Hall,

Halwill Junction, EX21 5XR



Advance Tickets £5
On the Door £6
Under 5's FREE

BAR AVAILABLE



Tickets Available from The Post Office

Half Term at the Burton Burton at Bideford, Art Gallery & Museum

I Arts Lab!

Free fabulous drop-in art activities for all ages. Tuesday 31 May, drop-in 10am-3pm

| Drag Storytime for Rebellious Kids

Join "everyone's favourite pantomime dame," (Metro), Mama G, for stories and songs about being who you want and loving who you are. There'll be lots of sequins, lots of joining in and lots of fun for the whole family!

FREE ENTRY Tues 31 May 10.30-11.30am & 12-1pm - booking required

| The Burton Art Box

We'll be pitched up in Victoria Park, Bideford as part of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations. Join us for free art activities. Thursday 2 June, 11am-4pm

| Marvellous & Mischievous: Literature's Young Rebels
An exhibition developed by The British Library, Marvellous
and Mischievous: Literature's Young Rebels is a family friendly
exhibition showcasing the British Library's vast collection of
children's literature. Including fancy dress, a reading area and fun
art activities.

I Annual Schools Exhibition

The Annual Schools Exhibition celebrates, nurtures and encourages the talents of young artists aged 5-18 years who attend schools in the local area and, of course, the dedication of their teachers. It was established to showcase young people's creative ambition and recognise progression opportunities in the arts.

A large selection of school work will remain on display at the gallery past the official end date of May 26 as part of the Marvellous and Mischievous Art Department.

FREE ENTRY Mon-Sat 10am-4pm & Sun 11am-4pm