

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025

# Halwill Primary School

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

## Newsletter No.9 Spring Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

Very well done to Chloe, Poppy, Hadley, Oskar, Jack, Albie and Millie who aimed high, representing the Federation, in the netball tournament at Holsworthy College last week. Both Ashwater and Halwill worked very well together as a Federation and there was some great sportsmanship.



### **World Book Day- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March:**

"No matter what anybody tells you, words and ideas can change the world." -John Keating

This year for World Book Day, the Carey Federation will be exploring the book 'The Word Collector' by Peter Reynolds.

The day will involve a whole Federation assembly, the sharing of stories, poetry and various activities around this book.

As the focus is on words, all children and staff can come dressed up as a word!

What word will you choose? Archaeologist to extravagant.....the possibilities are endless! Have a look at the images below for some inspiration.



Mrs Rothery



## Upcoming Events

### **January 28**

After school club (Tri Golf) Classes 3 & 4

Wild Tribe for Class 4

Selected Y6 G&T Drama Workshop -

Hatherleigh Primary School

Recorder lessons for Class 4 (note new day of Tuesday)

### **January 30**

After school club (Games and puzzles)

Classes 1-4

### **February 3**

Y5/6 Multi Skills Sports Festival – Holsworthy College

### **February 4**

Doodle Maths Meeting 2:45pm – 3:30pm

### **February 7**

Class 1 Assembly 2:45pm – 3:30pm

### **February 17**

Spring Half Term starts

### **February 24**

Non-pupil Day

### **February 25**

Pupils return to school

### **February 27**

Dartmoor Prison Trip -Class 3

### **March 4**

Parent Consultation 1:45 – 6:00pm

### **March 5**

Bags2School

Scribbleton Trip – Class 1&2

### **March 6**

World Book Day

### **March 10**

Tempest Photos - Class & Leavers

### **March 13**

Class 4 Assembly 2:45pm – 3:30pm

### **March 14**

Class 2 Assembly 2:45pm – 3:30pm

### **March 26**

Mary Poppins School Trip

### **March 28**

Class 3 Assembly 2:45pm – 3:30pm

### **Doodle Maths:**

Last week, you will have received a letter from Miss Gee, explaining that Class 1 and 2 will not continue with Maths Seeds but move to a new home learning platform called Doodle Maths. Login information will be sent home once we have assessed children and assigned them to their appropriate level. There will be a meeting for parents explaining the platform on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February at 2:45 pm.**

### **Dates**

Please see the 'Upcoming Events' section for dates of Class Assemblies, Parents and Carers are warmly invited to these. We have also set the date of Parent Consultation.

## Other News

### **Music Lessons:**

Ruth Hayes who currently offers individual, paid for lessons in woodwind and violin at school, now has availability for piano lessons at school. Please email her at [info@ruthhayesmusic.com](mailto:info@ruthhayesmusic.com) for more information. Mrs Hayes will teach her individual lessons on Tuesdays. **Recorder lessons for Class 4 will now also be on Tuesday.**

### **On-line Safety – Personal Information**

Internet Safety Day is on 11<sup>th</sup> February. We will be focusing on this essential topic every week in assembly this half term.

Last week, children learnt the importance of keeping personal information safe when on-line and that what others share about themselves might not always be true. We looked at this video with the children:

How to safely set up profiles when Gaming on line:  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/articles/zy87ywx>

### **Vehicle Access to School Forecourt**

Please be aware that the area in front of the school entrance is accessed by vehicles such as delivery drivers, maintenance vehicles and kitchen staff. Please take care when walking to and from the school entrance.

### **No Mobile Phones on Site**

A reminder that mobile phones are not allowed to be used on school site both indoors or outdoors, unless in a private area in school such as an office. Thank you for supporting this.

### **Start of School Day**

A reminder that we have a 'soft-start' from 8:50 am so by 9:00 am all children should be in school and ready for learning to start. Coming in, even a few minutes late, can be very disruptive to the children already in class and those arriving late can feel awkward coming into a quiet classroom. Thank you for your support with this.

*Mrs Ruh Alford, Executive Headteacher*

## Useful Links

### **School Contact Details**

**Tel:** 01409 221476

**Email:** [admin@halwill.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@halwill.devon.sch.uk)

**Website:** [Halwill Primary School – Halwill and Ashwater Primary Schools](#)

**Safeguarding:** If you have any concerns about a child, please speak to one of the safeguarding team or email [safeguarding@halwill.devon.sch.uk](mailto:safeguarding@halwill.devon.sch.uk)

### **Safeguarding Lead**

Mrs Ruh Alford

### **Deputy Safeguarding Leads**

Miss Jayne Miners

Mrs Rosie Cawsey

Mrs Alix Rothery

### **Safeguarding Governor**

Mrs Alison Clark

### **Attendance Officer**

Mrs Ceren Brooker

**If you have concerns that your child may have a Special Educational Need, please raise this with Mrs Caswey, the Federation SENDCO. You can contact her via the school office to arrange a meeting.**

## 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 <b>Relationships</b>	For being <b>Resilient</b>	For being <b>Resourceful</b>	For being <b>Reflective</b>	For being <b>Respectful</b>
Obie – Class 3 Joshua – Class 4 (24 <sup>th</sup> Jan)	Mila – Class 1 Megan – Class 3 (24 <sup>th</sup> Jan)	JR – Class 1 Scarlett – Class 2 Thorin – Class 3 (24 <sup>th</sup> Jan)	Jessica – Class 1 Louis – Class 2 Freddie V – Class 3 Henry – Class 4 (24 <sup>th</sup> Jan)	Joseph – Class 2 Jessica – Class 4 (24 <sup>th</sup> Jan)

# BUDE YOUTH ORCHESTRA

FOR CHILDREN CURRENTLY LEARNING AN ORCHESTRAL INSTRUMENT

**When?** Mondays at 5:45pm (1 hour)

**Where?** The Conference Room at the Parkhouse Centre, Bude

**Price information and queries? Please contact:**

info@ruthhayesmusic.com

*(Must have a good, basic understanding of reading music)*



# BUDE YOUTH CHOIR

FOR 7-11 YEAR OLDS

**When?** Mondays at 4:45pm (45 minutes)

**Where?** The Conference Room at the Parkhouse Centre, Bude

**Price information and queries? Please contact:**

info@ruthhayesmusic.com

