



Summer Term 2024

Friday 21st June

Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

I am really pleased that Highweek has joined the Maintained Schools Partnership with the agreed purpose to –

- a. Promote and strengthen collaboration between schools
- b. Provide mutual support
- c. Engage collectively in the professional development to ensure the best provision in and outcomes for each school
- d. To ensure effective and successful leadership and management in all schools
- e. To maximise efficiencies in business management across the partnership
- f. Use the expertise and experience from each school to strengthen practice in all schools
- g. To impact positively on the education of all children in The Primary Partnership

Partnership Group of Maintained Schools:

Abbotskerswell, Bishopsteignton, Bradley Barton, Decoy, Denbury, Haytor View, Highweek, Canada Hill, Chudleigh, Kingskerswell, The Grove (Totnes)

Highweek are at forefront of developing research informed practice to ensure excellent teaching and learning across the school. This was recognised by Devon County Council in their most recent school monitoring visit and in our recent meeting with Devon's Director of education, Mr Ceri Morgan.

SURVEY

Thank you to everyone who completed our recent survey. We really appreciate your views and comments.

The leadership team will review all the responses to create a plan of action. A number of families gave us direct feedback regarding areas to improve. I would really like to follow this up so if you were one of the parents, please do get in touch.

LEARNING- What's been happening over the last two weeks?

EYFS: As part of our SPLASH topic, the nursery children have been exploring "under the sea" and learning about different sea creatures. The reception age children have been looking at pirates, pirate maps and journeys. The children have created a pirate ship in the outdoor area and a number of children and grown ups had to "walk the plank". All the children worked really hard in preparation for sports day and did a fantastic job. Well done all!

Year 1/2: Across Key Stage One phonics screening has been taking place. We have seen fantastic progress in phonics this year and can not wait to share the results with you- watch this space! In literacy, year 1 and 2 are just completing their final write about how happiness can be found all around us when we look and have been exploring what makes them smile.

Last week year one attended a sports festival at Newton Abbot College. The staff commented on the resilience and respect demonstrated by all our pupils. Well done all!

Years 3/4: In maths, Y3/4 have started exploring mass by using different types of scales to weigh a selection of classroom items. They have been learning how to read different types of scales, converting between grams and kilograms.

During literacy, Y3/4 have continued to explore, 'Gregory Cool' exploring cultural differences. Gregory leaves his home in England to spend time with his grandparents in Tobago, experiencing wonderful new tastes, smells and sights of the tropical island.

In history, Y3/4 are exploring all things Roman, focusing on the differences between stories and myths. We enjoyed learning the Roman creation myth. We have read historic reports of a Roman soldier and the difficulties they faced being part of highly trained military army.

Year 5/6: Year 5&6 consolidated last term's science topic 'classifying organisms' during their visit to Dawlish Warren this week. We explored a variety of habitats and identified and classified the different species that we had discovered.

We have been studying the form and origin of Japanese Haiku poems. We have delved into a variety of Haikus about natural phenomena and will be working towards creating our own. Rehearsals for our production 'The Greatest Show' are well underway and we are looking forward to sharing our performance with families and the rest of the school in a couple of weeks!

FACEBOOK

We try and update FB regularly with news and photos of learning and upcoming events. Please do follow us if you aren't already and please like, comment and share our posts so that we know you are using it and so that more families see what a fantastic school and community we are!

THIS TERM

As always, please see key dates for all the rest of this term. If you have any questions or require further information regarding these events, please do get in touch.

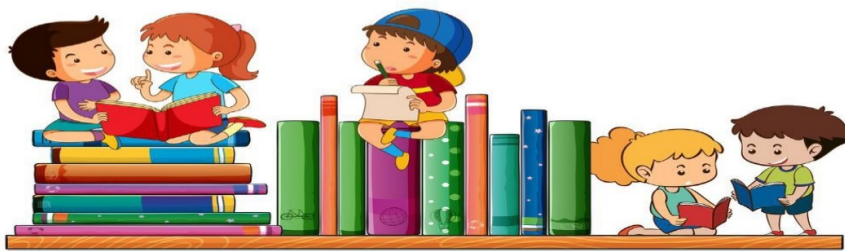
Ms Claire Redwood

Playzone After School Club June 24

Costs 3.30pm - 4pm £4.50

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3.30pm – 3.45pm Registration

3.45pm – 4pm snack

4pm – 5pm chosen activity

5pm – 5.45pm indoor play

5.45pm – 6pm tidy up

6pm Close.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 rd June	Bagels Computers	Bagels Games	Bagels Free play	Bagels Sports	Bagels Crafts
10 th June	Sausage Rolls Crafts	Sausage Rolls Computers	Sausage Rolls Games	Sausage Rolls Free play	Sausage Rolls Sports
17 th June	Pasta Sports	Pasta Cooking (cakes)	Pasta Computers	Pasta Games	Pasta Free play
24 th June	Pizza Free play	Pizza Sports	Pizza Cooking	Pizza Computers	Pizza Games

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1 st July	Bagels Free Play	Bagels Cooking (Fritata)	Bagels Sports	Bagels Computers	Bagels Games
8 th July	Sausage Rolls Games	Sausage Rolls Free Play	Sausage Rolls Cooking (Cheese Flan)	Sausage Rolls Sports	Sausage Rolls Computers
15 th July	Pasta Computers	Pasta Cooking (Chilli)	Pasta Free Play	Pasta Games	Pasta Sports

Outdoor activities will take place every night weather permitting.

Well done to our Friday Flyers.



Our Friday Flyers promote our work around developing Growth Mindset and a can do attitude.



Theme	Persist in the face of setbacks		Effort as the path to Mastery	
Date	Weekending Friday 14th June		Weekending Friday 21st June	
Bovey	Cody Richards-Bearne	Harmony Hambley	James Fagan	Sara Rouse
Dart	Cooper Knowles	Brody Williams	Isabella Nita	Freya Paris
Exe	Lewis Dale	Oliver Riley	Joel Atkinson	Alfie Mitchell
Mardle	George Davis	Amari-May Pengilley	Josh Malath	Franny Johnson
Plym	Alexander Avery	Rose Liju	Jessica Bendzala	Arek Holubinka
Tamar	Tyler Harrison	Emmanuel Benoy	Dexter Beverley	Erika Nanfuka
Tavy	Layla Forster	Logan Simmons	Freddy Johnson	Millie Johnson
Teign	Sayed Alqarooni	Rosie-Mae Spence	Scarlet Feasby	Alfie Tooley
Torridge	Harrison Catt	Tyler Stephens	Jase Stephens	Eliza Curran

Well done to our Accelerated Readers

100,000 words

Ben Barnes-Jones, Demi Christie,
Freya Paris & Ufedo Audu.

250,000 words

Rebecca O'Connor &
Lexi-Mae Hodgson-Baylis.

750,000 words

Lily Hannigan-Train.

1 million words

William Robinson.



Laying the foundations of lifelong learning

ATTENDANCE

Class	W/C 3rd June	W/C 10th June
Taw	91%	91.4%
Mole	78.1%	98.1%
Mardle	93.1%	97.6%
Bovey	94.1%	91.8%
Tavy	90.6%	85.9%
Plym	98.9%	99.3%
Exe	91.9%	98.8%
Dart	90.4%	97.1%
Tamar	91.4%	91.7%
Torrige	92.5%	92.6%
Teign	93.2%	94.3%

Plym class had 98.9% attendance for the period of 3rd - 7th June 2024.

Plym class had 99.3% attendance for the period of 10th – 14th June 2024.

Remember our whole school attendance target for the year we are working towards is 96.2%.

It is essential for children to attend as much school as possible if they are to get the most from their education and achieve their full potential.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JUNE

Tuesday 25th - Year 5/6 Transition Choral Project at Coombeshead

Wednesday 26th - Year 3/4 swimming.

Thursday 27th - Year 6 induction day at Teign School.

Thursday 27th - Year 2 & 5 Fire Safety Visit.

Friday 28th - Year 6 induction day at Teign School.

Friday 28th - Sports Day (weather permitting) please see details overleaf.

JULY

Tuesday 2nd - PTFA meeting in the main school at 9am. Everyone will be very welcome.

Wednesday 3rd - Year 6 induction day at Coombeshead Academy.

Wednesday 3rd - Year 3/4 swimming.

Thursday 4th - Year 6 induction day at Coombeshead Academy, Newton Abbot College & Torquay Boys Grammar School.

Friday 5th - Year 5 at The Mix Music Festival.

Monday 8th - Reserve Sports Day.

Tuesday 9th - Year 6 leavers performance 9:30am & 5:30pm. Parents invited to attend.

Wednesday 10th - Year 5 taster day at Newton Abbot College.

Wednesday 10th - Friday 12th - Year 6 Residential at Forest & Beach.

Wednesday 10th - Year 3/4 swimming.

Friday 12th - Pupil reports issued.

Monday 15th - Open classrooms.

Tuesday 16th - Transition morning for pupils to visit new class in September.

Wednesday 17th - KS1 trip to Lyme Regis.

Thursday 18th - Story Teller visiting school.

Thursday 18th - KS2 Summer Disco more details to follow.

Friday 19th - Leavers Assembly from 9am onwards in the school hall or on the school field. Parents invited to attend.

Friday 19th - Class of 24 Leavers Lunch for all pupils.

Please see flyer on other page.

Friday 19th - School closes for the Summer break.

YEAR 5 & 6 TRIP TO DAWLISH WARREN

Our year 5 and 6 pupils had a great time at Dawlish Warren on Monday and Tuesday. After the train journey, they were able to take part in activities hunting for and identifying wildlife around the nature reserve. They looked for and identified different shells on the beach before having a beach picnic and a play on the beach. The day finished nicely with ice-creams for everyone! It was very warm and there was lots of walking, and all of the children managed so well.



SPORTS DAY FRIDAY 28th JUNE

All children to arrive at school in their team colours.

KS1: Years 1 & 2. (Bovey, Tavy & Mardle)

- Gate opens for parents at 9:15am
- KS1 then led to the field for a 9:30am start
- KS1 estimated finish time being 11:30am

KS2: Years 3, 4, 5 & 6. (Dart, Exe, Plym, Teign, Tamar & Torridge)

- Gate opens for parents 13:15pm
- KS2 then registered ready to be on the field for 13:30pm start
- KS2 estimated finish time 15:30pm

SPORTS

Last week, a team of Year 3&4 children travelled to Teignmouth Community School to participate in a Dartmoor 3 Ball competition. The weather was fantastic and we all enjoyed playing with children from other schools.

Highweek started off slowly, drawing and losing our first two games. But showing our fantastic growth mindset, we persevered and went on to win our remaining games. This allowed us to finish 2nd place in the tournament and qualify for the regional finals!

The children showed amazing teamwork and they all had huge smiles on their faces. Well done Highweek!





Newton Abbot Learning Community

Year 1 Games Festival

Wednesday 12th June 2024



The NALC year 1 Games festival welcomed 4 schools, with 125 children in total. Wolborough and Highweek attended the morning session with 48 children and Canada Hill and Haytor View took part in the afternoon with 77 children.

The festival comprised of a variety of activities based on different sports lead by NAC year 7 sports leaders. At each station leaders explained and demonstrated the skill and how to complete the activity. The sports covered were Rugby, Handball, Athletics, Football and Striking & Fielding. Each activity lasted between 8-10 minutes and students rotated around 7 different stations.

It was fantastic to see year 1's fully engaging in all of the activities, having lots of fun and mixing in with other primary schools, making new friends along the way.





Ways to Wellbeing

w/c 17th June 2024

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Eat well

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Keep active in mind and body

4. Eat well

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Anyone heard of being “hangry” before? I certainly have. been angry because I am hungry! Feeding our body also feeds our brain - which means it is important to eat well to stay well!

That means you need a balance of fruits and veggies consistently throughout the day - breakfast, lunch and dinner!

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5. Active brains & bodies

Using your BODY and exercising releases “happy chemicals” in our brains that help balance our mood.. So, even if you’re not sporty (I’m definitely not!) its important to keep our bodies active through walking, swimming, cycling...whatever you like!

But we also need to keep our BRAINS active. Think puzzles, sudoku, trivia - a busy brain keeps those good chemicals going so that we can feel better!



My question/game for this week for you to chat to your friends about is...

If you were a fruit or a vegetable, what would you be?





CLASS OF 24

LEAVERS LUNCH

19TH OF JULY

CHEESEBURGER
CHICKEN BURGER
VEGGIE HOTDOG

Served with coleslaw, fries and ketchup

ICE CREAM
OR CHOCOLATE BROWNIE



ALLERGENS & Intolerance's

At Cleverchefs we take food allergens and intolerances very seriously. If your child has any food allergies or intolerances you need to make us aware prior to ordering any food with us. We have a full breakdown of the 14 allergens on our primary school menu link on our website www.cleverchefs.co.uk or scan the QR code on this page.

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