



# HAYWARD'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

Friday 15th September 2023

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## WELCOME TO OUR EYFS CHILDREN

It has been brilliant seeing the children settle back into school so well this year. In particular it has been lovely seeing our youngest children, those in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), taking their first steps into life at school. They have had an amazing week and I am sure that they are going to have a brilliant year.



## LUCY and RESPECT

Lucy is the hero that we will be focussing on this term. She is the hero who reminds us of the importance of being respectful. We are looking at how we can be respectful to our school environment, the wider community and in the relationships that we have with people—including those we have with our friends, with our families, with familiar adults in school and with less familiar adults e.g. adults who are not our teachers, those who come into the school as supply teachers and those who volunteer.



## ANIMAL HELPERS

I wanted to say a huge thank you to all of the families who have helped with the animal area over the summer. Without this, we would be unable to offer this lovely provision to the children:

- James and Zoe and their mum Kelly
- Emily and Finn and their mum Clare
- "Rainy" -Lorraine Tonkins from Geckos,
- Mae-Lin and her mum Elisa,
- Mollie and Eden and their mum Rachael
- Grace and her mum Gemma,
- Evalyn and Mrs Kirby

A huge thank you to Mrs McLauchlan for putting together the rota and taking such good care of the animals.

## 'BIG TOP' YOUTH CAFÉ (YEAR 6 ONLY)

Big Top Youth Group takes place every Monday after school in the Methodist Church. It is open for children in Years 6-9 and is open from 3:30pm to 5:00pm.

It is a great space to relax and make new friends. There is a tuck shop, wii, games and a pool table available for the children.

## PARENT MEETINGS

Thank you to everybody who attended the 'Meet the Teacher' events over the last week. I hope that you found them informative.

There will be a Home-Learning parent information event taking place in the school hall on Wednesday 19th 9:00-9:30am. This will be relevant for children in Year 1 to Year 6.

## POETRY CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES

This year at Hayward's, we will be embarking on a new literary adventure: every year group, every class, will be learning a poem – selected by their teacher in discussion with the children – to learn by heart. The act of recital, the act of committing something to memory, is not an easy one and it will serve to develop valuable skills in our children.

We would like to invite you to join your child's poetry assembly which will be taking place on the following dates. Hopefully this will provide you with enough time to attend:

Friday 13th October 3pm: Year 6  
Friday 1st December 3pm: Year 3  
Friday 2nd February 3pm: Year 2  
Friday 22nd March 3pm: Year 5  
Friday 17th May 3pm: Year 4  
Friday 12th July 3pm: Year 1/EYFS

## PTA AGM

The PTA will be holding their next annual general meeting (AGM) on Monday 25th September at 7pm at Hayward's Primary School, in the Staff Room.

If you are interested in what the PTA is all about and think you might like to be involved, please join us to find out more.

Everyone is welcome. Many hands make light work.

Friends of Hayward's School

**AGM**  
Annual General Meeting

**Everyone is welcome.**  
Stay informed and get involved.

Hayward's Primary School – in Staff Room.  
September 25th 2023 at 7pm.



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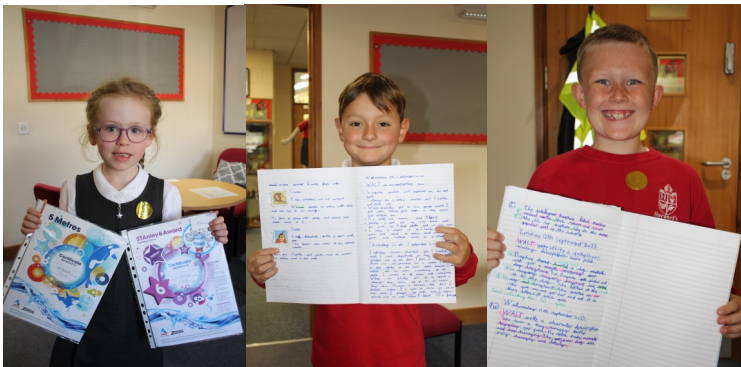
## EXETER CITY LADIES

An exciting opportunity for children to see high quality football at a hugely discounted price.

Please access the weblink, contained within the poster, in order to access tickets and use the code 'ECWFC' to get discounted tickets of £1 per child.



## HEADTEACHER AWARDS



Well done to Maisie for swimming 5 metres and for achieving grade 6, to Fabien and Rio for some brilliant writing, to Jacob, Ben and Oliver who won an award whilst representing Coplestone recently, to Ruby for some good writing, to Haydon and Elliot for some good flag making in Geography, to Jake for doing so well at a recent Exeter City event and to Sidney for completing the Summer Reading challenge from the library. Well done everybody!



## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

### ADMISSION TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

If your child is in Year 6, you will be thinking about the most appropriate secondary school for your child. It is important to note that you must apply for a secondary school place before 31st October 2023. Applications can be made online and more information can be found at <https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-for-a-secondary-school-place/>

### MEDICAL INFORMATION

If your child's medical needs have changed over the summer, please provide this information to the school office.

### REPORTING ABSENCE

It is essential that all absence is reported to the school office as soon as possible, and at the latest before 9:30am please. It is fine to leave a message on the answerphone, which is regularly checked, but please leave details of the reason for absence too. In the event of no absence before recorded, school may have to conduct a home visit in line with our safeguarding policy and procedures.

### COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS

Please fill in the form sent home/email the office with a list of people who can pick up your child. A spare can be collected from your class teacher or the office.

If someone who is not on the list will be picking up, please inform your teacher in the morning or email the office before 10am.

If there is a genuine emergency and no-one on your list can pick up your child, then please call before 3pm.

### UNIFORM

**Shoes**—Can we please ensure that children are wearing the correct black school shoes/trainers on school uniform (non PE) days please.

**Cycling Shorts**—On school uniform days, children shouldn't be wearing plain black cycling shorts, unless they are being worn under a skirt please.

**Hair and Jewellery**— Please ensure that hair is tied up and earrings are removed on PE days please. If they cannot be removed, because they are new, please wear tape over their earrings to school and bring additional tape, if needed, please.

#### Dates and Events for the Diary:

##### Friday 13th October 3pm

Year 6 Poetry Celebration Assembly (Parents welcome)

##### Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October

Half-Term

##### Wednesday 29th November

Flu Nasal Spray for EYFS to Y6 children

##### Friday 1st December 2023

Year 3 Poetry Celebration Assembly (Parents welcome)

##### Wednesday 13th December 2023 2pm start

Year 2 to Year 6 Carol Service at the Church

##### Monday 4th to Friday 8th March 2024

Year 6 Residential to Grenville House

##### Wednesday 20th March to Friday 22nd March 2024

Year 4 Residential to Great Potheridge House