

# HAYWARD'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Newsletter** Friday 6th October 2023 **Contact** office@haywards.devon.sch.uk **Website** www.haywards.org



## **UPDATE**

I hope that you are all well and have enjoyed a positive week. The children are working hard, as we make our way towards half-term.

We say goodbye to Nicola Schofield today. Nicola has been one of our key office staff and has, over the last year, supported our Health and Safety work in school. Nicola is leaving to enable her to put more time to other business interests that she has. Best of luck, Nicola and thank you for your hard work.

## LUCY AND RESPECT

It has been great seeing more children taking on the challenge of undertaking an activity which helps create a tidy, clean environment in the local community and further afield.

Well done to Martha, Darcy, Freddie and Nola for making a difference to their local environment.

Please send any photos through to office@haywards.d evon.sch.uk and I will share them in assembly and in next week's newsletter.





In our assembly this week, we looked at the work of the Butterfly Conservation Group and how they have supported the Dartmoor National Park. As part of the assembly, we considered what we could do within the school grounds to boost the butterfly and moth population by creating a sustainable home for them to live in. Thanks to the work of Mrs Crone and Mrs Kingdom we already have some brilliant spaces which attract insects throughout the school year. We will be working together to design a space which the children will be involved in creating and maintaining. I look forward to sharing some photos of the work that we will be undertaking over the next few weeks.

## **RESPECT WORD CHALLENGE**

I set the children the challenge of selecting a word from the list below, all linked to respect in some way, and to provide a definition with the word respect in it. If the children come up with any great examples, please let me know.



One of our best examples was for the word handshake: "A handshake can be a sign of respect between two people who have developed a relationship over time."

### **CENSUS DAY LUNCH**

Thank you for supporting our Census Day lunch and helping the school budget moving forward. We are lucky to have a brilliant kitchen team, who working with Fresha (our catering provider), provide quality, nutritious foods for the children. We will provide some sampling sessions at different points within the year.



#### YOUNG MINDS

Tuesday the 10th October is 'World Mental Health Day'. In Monday's assembly we will be looking at the work of Young Minds,



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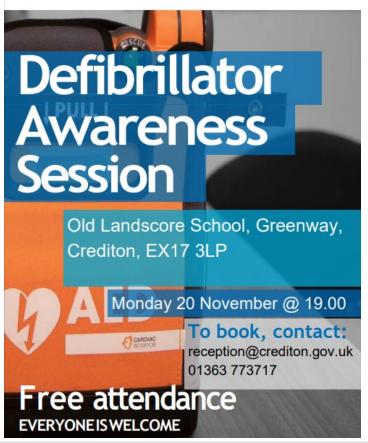
a charity that supports young people's mental health and well-being. We will be inviting children to wear something yellow on Wednesday 11th October in support of the charity (not Tuesday as it is school photograph day). It could be a sock, a hair band, a bracelet, a belt, a jumper, a t-shirt, a pair of trousers/skirt/shorts or a painted/coloured band to go around their arm. The children should chose just one item and wear the rest of their normal school uniform/PE kit. Please click on the following link for more details about Young Minds. If you are able to donate something, please do and we will send it to Young Minds (suggested donation 50p).

## **VACANCIES**

We currently have vacancies for an Office Admin Assistant and a Health and Safety Administrative Assistant. These jobs are both part time and could be combined for one person. Please see the school website, vacancies section, for adverts, job descriptions and application form.







## **HEADTEACHER AWARDS**



'Part One for Piano' with her teacher Hayley, to Pip for some brilliant work in Maths and throughout the last week, to Poppy for some great writing, to Lexi for some brilliant results in her recent national equestrian competitions in Cornwall,

to Ivy for an excellent piece of writing, to Caia and Sid for some brilliant achievements in recent swimming assessments, to Lincoln for some brilliant writing and to Leo and Dexter for some brilliant World War II inspired work. Well done to everybody!

#### **PICK N'MIX DATES**

Thursday 19th October 2023 Wednesday 6th December 2023

## SCHOOL DISCO and FUTURE EVENTS

A big thank you to the PTA members who helped run the disco on Friday evening. It was brilliant to see so many children in attendance and as always their behaviour was fantastic. A few other key PTA related dates for this term:

Discos - 1st December 2023 Christmas bingo - 28th November Christmas raffle (Draw date) - 8th December

## **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 <a href="https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/apply-for-a-school-place/">https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/apply-for-a-school-place/</a>

## **CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS**



Following a successful trial of family photos last term, we will be using Jayne Poole Photography to take individual and sibling photos this year. You can see examples of her work here—<a href="https://www.jaynepoole.co.uk/school-photographer-devon-cornwall-somerset.html">https://www.jaynepoole.co.uk/school-photographer-devon-cornwall-somerset.html</a>. Due to her being the sole photographer, we will need to spread the photos over different days. We will send out reminders in advance:

Early Years & KS1 Siblings not in school Siblings and KS2 Thursday 28 September Tuesday 10th October 8:30-9:00am Tuesday 10 October

## EYFS OPEN MORNING—18th October

We will be holding our EYFS Open Morning for children starting school in September 2024 on Wednesday 18th October 2023.

Please contact the school office if you would like to attend. It would be great if you can please share this with any local families, who might not have access to this parentmail, 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

Parents' Evening

Tuesday 7th and Thursday 9th November 2023

Thursday 16th November 2023 at 6pm (DATE CHANGE) EYFS Number Workshop for Parents/Carers

**Tuesday 21st November 2023 at 6pm (DATE CHANGE)**EYFS Phonics Workshop for Parents/Carers

Wednesday 29th November

Flu Nasal Spray for EYFS to Y6 children

Friday 1st December 2023

Year 3 Poetry Celebration Assembly (Parents welcome)

Wednesday 6th December 2023

Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 6th December 2023 at 10am EYFS Nativity Day

Thursday 7th December 2023 at 2pm

EYFS Nativity Day

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