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Head's Message:

Welcome to the latest edition of our newsletter. As we move further into the summer term, I'm hoping we will get some warmer weather. In anticipation of this, please do take a moment to read the sunny weather quidance in this issue. SATs week is next week, more about this in the newsletter. However, I'm sure you'll all join me in wishing our Yr.6 children the very best of luck!

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Core Values respect, responsibility, resilience

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OUR CURRICULUM





Our Golden Threads

Knowledge and Skills intent:

Our intention is to develop lifelong learners who have the skills, knowledge, and curiosity needed to take full advantage of every opportunity in life.

Values intent:

Our intention is that all children recognise and maintain a shared set of values, which will allow them to make a positive difference to themselves and others in a rapidly changing, modern world.

Language:

Our intention is that all children will acquire the language to allow them to express their thoughts, ideas, and learning in a clear and coherent manner.

Inclusivity:

Our intention is that no child is left behind. Every child, regardless of background, social, emotional, or educational need will achieve well and fulfill their potential.

Our curriculum is the foundation to everything we do at Haydon Wick. It could be described as the totality of a child's educational experiences which occurs during their time with us.

As I'm sure you appreciate, all staff at Haydon Wick work hard to ensure your child receives the very best education.

As a parent or carer of a child at Haydon Wick it is important you understand the foundations of our curriculum. Please take some time to look at the image above, in order to gain an understanding of our curriculum starting points.

Further information about our curriculum can be found by clicking here.

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SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please can I remind everyone about our school uniform policy. I've noticed several items of clothing in school recently that are not on our uniform list. The correct uniform is important as it provides our children with a strong sense of identity and belonging. Our School Policy for uniform is based on the thoughts that school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school.
- Creates a sense of community and belonging.
- Makes children feel to their peers in terms of clothing.
- Is regarded as suitable clothing for school and represents good value for money for parents.
- Is designed with health and safety in mind

The Haydon Wick Primary School Uniform consists of:

Boys: White shirt/Polo shirt Dark Trousers (charcoal/grey) (grey shorts can be worn in summer) School sweatshirt (or maroon equivalent) Maroon Fleece Black shoes

Girls: White blouse/Polo shirt Dark trousers/skirt (charcoal/grey) (red & white summer dress can be worn in summer) School sweatshirt/cardigan (or maroon equivalent) Maroon Fleece Black shoes

The PTA have a good selection of high quality, pre-loved uniform. Please ask at the office if you are interested.

Please ensure all items of clothing are labelled with your child's name.



SUNNY WEATHER GUIDANCE

Hopefully there will be some warmer and sunnier weather this term. It nice to see the sun, but we must be prepared to protect children from the harmful UV rays the sunshine brings. To enjoy the sun safely, please follow the advice below.

- Provide your child with a hat (please make sure it is named)
- A water bottle with water in. Water is the best fluid to keep children hydrated
- Please apply sun cream (at least SPF30) to your child, before they come to school. Older children may be able to reapply during the day
- An inexpensive pair of sunglasses can be useful too.

We have shady areas within our school grounds, so we can keep children out of the sun at the hottest parts of the day (if they are outside).



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SATS WEEK

May 13th - 17th is SATs week. This is when our Year 6 children sit their end of Key Stage 2 tests in Mathematics, Reading, Spelling and Punctuation and Grammar.

It's a very important week for the school and all the children involved. I'm sure you'll join me in wishing them all the very best of luck! You'll smash it Year 6!





SWINDON LIBRARIES

Reading is at the heart of our curriculum. So I'm thrilled to be able to share with you the latest Swindon Libraries newsletter, which can be found <u>here</u>

The Newsletter is a fantastic resource, that allows you to keep up to date with all the latest news and events in and around our local libraries. In this edition, look out for the summer reading challenge. How many books will you read?





STAFFING UPDATE

I'd like to share some important staffing updates with you.

Mrs. Palmer, will be leaving Haydon Wick at the end of Term 5, her last day will be Friday 24th May. Mrs. Palmer will be greatly missed by everyone. I'm sure you'll all agree, children parents and carers have all benefited enormously from Mrs. Palmer's expertise, care and knowledge. We all wish her the very best of luck with her new role with Swindon Women's Aid.

We shall also be saying goodbye to Mrs. Walsh, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Oakley at the end of academic year. We will of course celebrate their time at Haydon Wick, before they leave, but I felt it important you were aware of this information now.

Miss. Bunclark has recently decided not to return to her post at Haydon Wick. I'm sure you'll join me in wishing Miss. Bunclark all the very best for the future.

We have successfully recruited to fill these positions. More details on who will be joining Haydon Wick after the summer break, in our next newsletter.

Badgers teacher update

As you're aware, since Mrs. Pinkney left, we've not been able to employ a permanent replacement (despite our best efforts). As mentioned above, a permanent, full time teacher has been appointed to teach Badgers class from Sept '24. Until then, the class will continue to be taught by a supply teacher on Mondays and Tuesdays. I will try to ensure we have the same person on these days for consistency.

If you have any questions, concerns or worries about any of the above, please do come and speak with me.



MESSAGES FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Please check your emails for:

Year 6 parents - a message about the leavers hoodies.

All parents - an email containing the proof for the recent class photos.