

# **Newsletter**

14th April 2020

We hope this newsletter finds you safe and well. This past 3-4 weeks have clearly been difficult in many ways for all of us. We hope that by keeping in touch as much as possible, it will help to support you and your child by offering what you may need: direct support, guidance, advice, motivation, enthusiasm.

#### Distance Learning During Easter Holiday

Thank you for completing the survey last week regarding Distance Learning.

During the first week the teachers set key lessons and mini-challenges. However, this week, the teachers have only provided 'mini-challenges' to support families. We have also launched an Art Challenge to create 'Rainbow art'. The poster can be found on each year group's blog.





The Distance Learning will continue to be uploaded each Monday onto the class blogs: www.preschoolhva.wordpress.com www.receptionhva.wordpress.com www.year1hva.wordpress.com www.year2hva.wordpress.com www.year3hva.wordpress.com www.year4hva.wordpress.com

You can continue to send in images or comments on your child's learning:

hvaapple@clf.uk hvaacorn@clf.uk
hvaash@clf.uk hvabeech@clf.uk
hvachestnut@clf.uk hvacherry@clf.uk
hvaelm@clf.uk hvaelder@clf.uk
hvahawthorn@clf.uk hvahornbeam@clf.uk
hvamaple@clf.uk







# **Weekly Phone Calls**

You indicated that you wanted us to continue with the family phone calls. Our team are more than happy to do this. Remember they come from withheld numbers as they are from our staff's own personal numbers.



## **FacebookLive**



We have extended the use of our Facebook page to broadcast 'live'. During these broadcasts, different members of the teaching team have shared some news, waved and

said hello to families, answered questions and we even did our first virtual assembly, which can be found on the radio section of the website or on the Facebook page:

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#### **Celebrating Children**

Motivating our children to undertake distance learning could be challenging. We are offering to continue and extend regular opportunities to support your child's motivation:

- <u>Weekly phone calls</u> with teaching staff with children speaking to HVA staff.
- <u>Mid-week mentions</u> on the FacebookLive on Wednesday mornings at 9:45am.
- <u>Class twitter page/website update</u>. Teachers will repost your pictures sent from home.
- <u>Gold Book</u>: This special book captures one-off achievements.
- <u>Star of the week</u>; each week a child will be celebrated during the weekly online celebration assembly on Fridays at 4:15pm.
- -<u>Golden mention:</u> This will feature on each newsletter and recognise values exercised in the community.

# Star of the Week

#### Scams - Beware!

We have been informed some parents have received an email stating: 'As schools will be closing, if you're entitled to free school meals, please send your bank details and we'll make sure you're supported'. Please be aware of scams. All communications regarding Free School Meals and vouchers will be communicated via the school text service and/ or Edenred (the government's new supplier for issuing vouchers).

#### **Easter Food Boxes**

Last week, a team of staff from the Cabot Learning Federation delivered over 500 food boxes to families who would usually qualify for Free School meals. Donations from Morrisons, Tescos and SmurfittKappa contributed to the boxes.





#### Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everybody's business. If you have a concern about a family or child in particular, you can discuss this with the Safeguarding team at school by contacting



<u>enquiries@haywoodvillageacademy.org.uk</u> or contact North Somerset's Safeguarding Partnership on 01275 888 801.

## **Weekly Diary**

- Monday:
   9:45am FacebookLive
   2pm Community walk/exercise
- <u>During the week</u>, teachers will record a short 'hello' video via Twitter/ class website. The school youtube channel, will be updated with regular stories read by our staff and or teaching videos.
- Wednesday: 9:45am FacebookLive Mid-week mentions 2pm Community walk/exercise
- Friday:
  - 4:15pm FacebookLive Assembly with Mr Jones (This will be recorded on the radio at the same time).

#### 4 Become 1

4 of our 6 North Somerset family of schools joined last week to create a hub for childcare supervision at Haywood Village Academy. Children of key working parents from our school, Broadoak, Hans Price and Uphill Village now attend one site.











#### **Golden Mention**

This feature of the Newsletter has returned! We would like to celebrate pupils who show a safe way to demonstrate community spirit and promote the school values: respect, honesty, trust, empathy, responsibility and kindness.



Be safe and please keep in touch - Mr Jones

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