

Love Living, Love Learning

SCHOOL NEWS - 12th February 2021



A huge thank you for a fantastic start to the year under very difficult circumstances. I personally have been made to feel very welcomed and supported by you all this half term. I am really looking forward to getting to know all of our wonderful families when we are fully open. Thank you for your understanding during lockdown and while we are only open to the children of critical workers and vulnerable families. It is really important to keep us all as safe as possible.

Exciting news...

Spaces available at our pre-school!

Does your child enjoy the outdoors? Would they like to be part of a rural, village school with beautiful grounds and nature all around?

Limited places now available from the age of 2 years old. Funded places also available! We also offer wrap-around care for children aged 3 and

Spread the word!



PE Fridays

After half term, we will be taking part in a variety of sports as a whole school every Friday afternoon. This will be in addition to another PE session with your class. Therefore, please come to school in your PE kits every Friday from 26th February. Remember, uniform makes us feel proud of who we are and who we belong to. Please see our uniform requirements below. We will be outside so bring a warm jumper and/or joggers as well as official PE kit.



Mrs Waring's live quiz

This week I met Hawks for a live quiz. Thank you to Martha, Noah, Lia, Aaron, Finn, William, Alfie, Lewis, Ella, Layla, Elspeth, Poppie, Lexi, Isabella, Ellie and Mr Scott for joining me! I also provide time for you to chat with one another during these sessions so please do join me! Remember to be ready, fully dressed in a room, downstairs, be sensible (like you would in the real world) and try not to get family members on the screen without their permission.

Home Learning

We are so proud of you all! You have all worked so hard this half term from home or school. During half term, I would like you to...

Spend less time on a screen.

Spend quality time with your family.

Get some fresh air.

Exercise!

Speak to your family and friends on the telephone!

Lunches

We are delighted to get HOT MEALS back after half term.

Don't forget all meals need to be ordered 7 days in advance.

A big thank you to Local Food links for all of their hard work producing hampers for our families. Also, thank you to Dorset Council who are providing vouchers during half term after the government stopped these!

Please see the menu circulated on 11th February.

Weekly Reading Challenge

We all know the importance of reading and the enjoyment of being immersed into a good book. We are going to post a reading challenge every week for you to enjoy. Please share your participation on your Google Classroom pages. We love seeing your work, thoughts or experiences.

This week's challenge:

Complete a book review for your favourite book. What

Learn a new skill - I will look forward to seeing what this is. Maybe learn to tie your laces, bake a cake, make a bed or help with the gardening.

Help around your home, your parents need a rest too!

did you like? What did you dislike? Why? List the characters. What was the main plot of the story? I will look forward to hearing all about your favourite books.

Half term challenge - let's stay united...

During half term, find a pebble and paint it (any design you like). Then, bring it to school and lay it on the driveway to form a 'pebble snake'. It is a lovely way to keep us 'united' whilst we are apart. Let's see how long you can make the snake! Who will be the first to lay their pebble? I cannot wait to see the snake when we return.





On the 4th March we would like to celebrate World Book Day. The children, at home or school, are invited to dress as their favourite character. Maybe a task for half term! We ask that absolutely no props are brought into school, due to COVID 19, but we will be sure to celebrate the world of books and take part in fun activities throughout the day. We ask for a £1 donation, which will go towards new books for our children.

Uniform

Please ensure your child wears their full uniform each day. A uniform unifies us and makes us proud of who we are and gives us a great sense of belonging:

Boys

Grey trousers (winter) Grey shorts (summer) White shirt Navy sweatshirt with school logo or Navy jumper
Black shoes (not trainers)

Girls

Grey skirt or trousers (winter) Blue and white checked dress (summer) White shirt Navy sweatshirt with school logo or Navy jumper Sensible black shoes (not trainers)

Children with long hair which falls across their face are asked to wear either a hair band or hair slides or to tie it back.

PE & Games Kit

Navy t-shirt with the school logo, shorts and trainers, together with a long-sleeved sweatshirt.

Dates for your diary:

15th February: Half term.
4th March: World Book Day
8th March: return to school - we hope!!!!
18th March: Bags to School Collection.

TBC: An environmental day in the summer holidays (help to restore our grounds).

COVID19

A huge thank you for your understanding during these difficult times. Your support and consideration has been overwhelming. Please email the school, during half term, should you be unfortunate enough to get a positive test result for anyone in your household. I have to report this for track and trace purposes so your help would be appreciated. After half term, I will look forward to your continued support and understanding during these difficult times.

Have a lovely weekend. Take care and stay safe!

Mrs Waring and all staff at Hazelbury Bryan Primary School.