

The Haven School Newsletter

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INSET DAYS IN THE AUTUMN TERMS

Friday 20th Nov 2015

Friday 4th Dec 2015

Dear Haven School Family,

We will be holding our annual transition events on Tuesday 7th July and Wednesday 8th July when the children will be spending the morning with their new class teachers.

We are delighted to be welcoming six new members to our teaching team in September. (See page 2). We are thrilled that whilst many local schools are struggling to attract strong teachers, as a result of the good reputation we have for supporting our teachers through the mentoring programme run by Mrs Trathen, we have once again been able to recruit a strong team of classroom practitioners.

On page 5 you will be able to read about the many sporting successes of the school over the recent weeks and we are delighted that Miss Woods will be joining us as a PE specialist to further develop our sporting programme, alongside the existing sporting talents of our staff team.

Mrs Swingler will be leaving us at the end of this term to take on a leadership role at Ocklynge Junior School, leading Science. We have been extremely blessed to have Mrs Swingler as part of our teaching team for the past five years. She has been a tremendous asset to our team, enabling the school to achieve the Silver Science Quality Mark. We wish her much success in her new appointment. Also Miss Stevens is moving back to Essex, to be nearer her family. The whole school community will greatly miss the care and compassion she shows us all as well as her talents in the classroom.

We are thrilled to announce that Mrs Elms is expecting a baby in November. Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Elms and their daughter Ruby on their forthcoming new addition to the family. Mr Stone & Mrs Reed will be covering Mrs Elms' teaching commitments whilst she is on maternity leave.

In addition, we are delighted to announce that Miss Nwaji will be getting married in the summer to her fiancé Mr Anderson. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Anderson back in September!

We will be introducing the new members of our support staff team that have recently joined us, or who will be joining us in September, in our final newsletter of the term.

Finally, we hope you are keeping Saturday 18th July free for the PTFA Summer Fayre.

Mrs Wendy Bray, Headteacher

Current classes	Classes from Sept 2015	Teachers	Teaching Assistants
	Ruby A	Mrs Anderson	Mrs Turner & Mrs Dell
	Ruby L	Mrs Langley	Mrs Haffenden & Miss Meakins
Ruby L	Sapphire C	Miss Carder	Mrs Bridge
Ruby N	Sapphire T	Mrs Trott	Mrs Bailey
Sapphire S	Emerald F	Mrs Fuller	Mrs Taylor
Sapphire RE	Emerald RE	Mrs Elms, Mrs Reed & Mr Stone	Miss Muir
Emerald C	Amber B	Mr Boyd	Mrs Brown & Mrs Prior
Emerald W	Amber M	Mrs Matthews	Mr Jones
Amber S	Amethyst E	Miss Eaton	Mrs Stockton
Amber B	Amethyst H	Mr Hitchcock	Mrs Williams
Amethyst E	Pearl C	Miss Canning	Miss Mackney
Amethyst F	Pearl H	Miss vanHaefen	Ms Davies
Pearl	Diamond	Mrs Barnhurst	Mrs Greene & Miss Trott

New Teachers



Miss M Woods

FUN, KIND & ENERGETIC

'I am really looking forward to meeting you all and working with everybody at The Haven in September. I hope to develop The Haven school in a range of sports and as a centre of excellence for achievement in sport with your help and enthusiasm.'



Mr H Hitchcock

CREATIVE, DILIGENT & SUPPORTIVE

'I am very much looking forward to joining The Haven and being a part of such a fantastic learning environment. I am most excited about getting to know my new class and having the opportunity to be a part of each child's journey towards a lifelong love of learning.'



Miss K Canning

FUN, CARING & ENERGETIC

'I am really looking forward to now utilising my skills as a secondary teacher to enhance the learning for the Upper Key Stage 2 pupils, as well as continuing to use my skills as a PE specialist to help the children achieve further sporting successes.'



Mr T Stone

PATIENT, ENGAGING & ENERGETIC

'I am thrilled to continue being part of the strong team spirit of The Haven School and sharing my inquisitive love of learning with both pupils and staff. Although I am always delighted to teach all subjects, Science and Computing are areas of the curriculum I am particularly passionate about.'



Mrs S Matthews

ENTHUSIASTIC, ENERGETIC & COMPASSIONATE

'I am looking forward to creating a fun, active class with a buzz of learning and where all children are motivated, enjoying and achieving in all areas of school life.'



Mrs J Trott

NURTURING, ENTHUSIASTIC & MOTIVATING

'I am very excited about working at The Haven School, and I am really looking forward to being part of a caring, committed and positive team. I am passionate about inclusion; therefore the school's inclusive ethos, where all learners can achieve and experience success, is something that I am extremely positive about.'

Keep on Going

Each week pupils are awarded a special certificate in our celebration assembly in recognition of them demonstrating resilience and perseverance in their learning.

This term the following children have been awarded a certificate: Matthew A, Rory W, Emmanuel, Tegan, Satheene, Farah A, Leighla, Daniel B, Gurleen, Sorcha, Jake I, Joseph B, Drew, Anna-Louise, Lily T, Louis N, Melody, Sophie L, Frankie W, Hannah, Olivia B, Lottie, Matthew C, Isaac L, Elena J, Lois W, Faisal, Ben, Holly M, Lilly J, Chase, Alex N A, Leo, Hollie G, Ola R, Bethan, Masie, Aliyah, Amber, Taleb, Henry B. Well done everyone.

Christian Distinctiveness

The following children have been recognised for demonstrating one of our focus Christian values - kindness, compassion, generosity, koinonia, forgiveness and responsibility: Rose, Aaron, Connie, Arty, Oliver J, Melody, Ruby, Mia, Luna, Jessica, Jade, Daisy May, Amber, Erin, Logan, Alfie, Franky, Harry H, Amanda, Sid, Sara, Lottie, Lilly, Chloe, Well done everyone.

Fresh Start First Aid

After completing the latest Fresh Start Literacy Programme at The Haven School pupils received a well-deserved treat, First Aid training! Whilst partaking in the programme pupils showed particular interest in the 'Emergency' Topic. The pupils wanted to know more about how they could help others who are injured with burns, broken bones, asthma, choking and someone who was unconscious.

Phil a paramedic and first aid trainer came into school and provided a first aid programme suitable for young children. All 10 pupils passed with flying colours and received certificates for their efforts. Later there were reports of these children sharing their newfound knowledge with other pupils and assisting with first aid in the playground. Well done!



E-Safety

E-safety awareness is a very important area for our school community. As a school we receive regular updates from <http://www.e-safetysupport.com> and we would like to share some of the latest news with you.

The NSPCC have warned that parents and carers may be missing out vital information when they talk to their children about staying safe online. Although parents have an awareness of e-safety, they are often not talking to children about the right online safety issues

The charity is now urging parents to make sure their online knowledge is up to date by checking out its updated **Net Aware guide**, published this week.

Among twelve sites that have now been added to the guide are Tapatalk and Pheed, which many parents may not be familiar with, plus well-known games like Call of Duty that allows users to chat online. The latest websites, apps and games featured in Net Aware were reviewed by a panel of parents and all were rated poorly in terms of how easy it was to change privacy settings, report concerns about abuse or bullying, and find safety advice. The **Net Aware Guide** now covers a total of sixty social networking sites, apps and games popular with children and is free to access at www.net-aware.org.uk

Claire Lilley, NSPCC head of child safety online, said: "If parents aren't talking to children about things like privacy settings on social networking sites it can leave them at risk of online grooming. We've seen horrendous cases where offenders take a scattergun approach, targeting hundreds of children at a time online, often posing as another young person.

"It's important parents have the knowledge to talk in detail with children about safety settings. Minecraft is one game that is much safer for children once the privacy settings have been adjusted. Our updated Net Aware guide is packed with straightforward advice that will help parents stay up to date with their children's digital lives."

Following the launch of the NSPCC's online safety campaign in January nearly 400,000 parents have spoken to their children about staying safe online. However, it seems that many parents have gaps in their online knowledge and don't talk about the right issues with their children.

For example, Tinder, Facebook Messenger, Yik Yak and Snapchat were all rated as risky by children, with the main worry being talking to strangers. However, for the same sites the majority of parents did not recognise that the sites could enable adults to contact children. Parents tended to worry more about sexual or violent content or bad language.

The NSPCC is calling for all social networking sites, apps and games used by children to provide easy ways for children and parents to report abuse, attempts at grooming or concerns about content.

The charity also wants to see all online accounts for under-16s:

- block messages from strangers
- prevent users making their location or contact details public
- set profiles as private by default on sign-up
- alert children to the risks if they choose make their profile public.

Sporting Successes

We have continued entering competitions over the last few weeks and our teams have been successful in everything they've participated in.

At the beginning of term, children from Years 3 and 4 went to Willingdon School for a tri-golf festival. Having no golfing experience we were unsure what to expect, however the team rose to the new challenge.

There were eight different activities which tested accuracy, putting and chipping skills as well as how well the team worked together. After a fun afternoon, the results were announced... **The Haven School won the festival!** The team will now be representing our school at the Sussex School Games in Crawley in July, a fantastic achievement. Congratulations to everyone who took part. Enjoy your day at the Sussex School Games.

Next in our sporting calendar was Kwik cricket tournaments at The Saffrons. A team from Years 5 and 6 had a great day, winning their first two matches in convincing style. Their third game against Ocklynge B was nail-biting stuff; with both teams having won their earlier matches the result would decide who went through to the final. Ocklynge needed 2 runs from the last ball to win but, thanks to great fielding, they only managed 1 run. The game was a draw. As our team had scored the most runs throughout the day they were announced as the winners of the group stages. They lost to Ocklynge A in the final but as finalists qualified to play in the County Finals in Henfield, where they faced tough competition from 15 other schools. The team had a great day and were wonderful representatives of our school. Well done team.

The following week it was the turn of a team from Years 4 and 5 to take part in their Kwik cricket tournament. They won all their group matches to qualify through to the semi-final. Some excellent teamwork, with great batting and fielding from everyone, meant they won the match and played in the final against Stone Cross. This was again a nail-biting match with Stone Cross needing just 1 run from the final ball of the game. A big hit crossed the boundary to give Stone Cross the win by just 3 runs. Again as finalists, our team played in the County Finals where they reached the quarter finals, the highest placing a Year 4/5 team from our school has ever reached so congratulations team, you played brilliantly and should be proud of your achievements.

Our Year 3/4 football team also enjoyed a great day out when they played in The Albion Cup, a new venture organised by Brighton and Hove Albion in the Community. They travelled to Hastings with a supportive crowd of parents, and a very excited Mr Boyd and Mrs Greene, ready for a day of football. Against 6 other teams from across East Sussex, the team started the day with a closely contested 2-1 victory. After that, the team were warmed up and played some fantastic football to confidently reach the final, convincingly winning all 6 league matches: scoring twenty goals and only conceding two in the entire tournament.

Throughout the day, the team played with complete footballing freedom and were clearly enjoying themselves. They continued to dominate play in the final, winning comprehensively with a 4-0 victory. They will now represent The Haven School in the regional finals in July, which will be played at Brighton and Hove Albion's Elite Performance Training Ground. Amazing! Well done!

Sport cont....

A huge thank you to all parents and carers that have supported all these events by providing transport to and from venues.

Our school has been superbly represented by everyone that has participated in these activities and it has been a pleasure to accompany the children and watch them achieve incredible results. Congratulations to you all, we are very proud of you.

On behalf of the children we would like to thank Mrs Greene for co-ordinating all of these events and for the staff members who have accompanied the children to the sporting tournaments – Mrs Brown, Mr Boyd, Mrs Greene, Miss Trott, Mrs Williams, Mr Sibson and Ms Canning.



Gardening

Each term some children are invited to help out in the environmental area. This term the children helped with weeding and also making a 'Journey Stick'. This is when you walk around finding natural things that you like and attaching them to a stick to tell a story.

The children really enjoyed this. One said "This is really cool. I can do this down in the woods. It is fun and it doesn't cost any money!"



Another set of children had the opportunity of experiencing the great outdoors. KS2 children spent the afternoon looking around the environmental area. Then they chose a snail they thought could be champion. The snails raced against each other, it was very exciting!

Then they walked around the school grounds finding interesting and exciting natural things to attach to their journey sticks. One of the children said "This is the best afternoon ever. Why can't we do this more often!"



Mrs Tracy Williams, Rangers Co-ordinator

PTFA Programme Winners

Last week Mrs Jan Weeks from the SHRA had the wonderful pleasure of judging all the entries that the PTFA had received for the design a programme for the summer fayre.

After much careful consideration the following children were judged to be the winners:

KS1: Zahim - Emerald C

KS2: Ailsa C – Pearl

Mrs Weeks said she was very impressed with all the children's hard work.

Diary Dates for Term 6



July

- 2nd Amber B swimming 7
- 2nd Amethyst school trip
- 3rd KS2 sports day
- 3rd PTFA film night ~ 3.30 pm – 5.30 pm
- 6th Reports to parents
- 7th Whole school transition day
- 8th Tri Golf
- 8th Parents consultation evening ~ 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm
- 9th Parents consultation evening ~ 4.30 pm – 6.30 pm
- 10th KS2 reserve sports day
- 10th Emerald classes school trip
- 14th Ruby L school trip
- 15th Ruby N school trip
- 15th Year 6 end of year performance ~ 6.00 pm
- 16th Year 6 end of year performance ~ 6.00 pm
- 17th Phil the bag collection
- 17th Mufti day ~ cakes & donuts
- 18th PTFA Summer Fayre ~ 11.00 am – 1.00 pm
- 20th Year 2 graduation ~ 2.15 pm
- 21st Year 6 leaver's assembly ~ 2.15 pm
- 22nd Disco for whole school
- 22nd End of term 6 ~ school closes at normal time



God in all we do

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