

# The Haven School Newsletter

21<sup>st</sup> July 2016

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Deputy Headteacher: Sharon Trathen

## Dear Haven School Family,

Thank you to everyone that supported our Summer Fayre on Saturday and also to our wonderful PTFA Chair, Miss Sorrell-Fleet and her committee members for organising the event. We raised £1606.30.

On Friday we will be saying a fond farewell to our wonderful Year 6 pupils. We want to wish them all the very best for their future as they go off to their new secondary schools in September. You leave us with so many fond memories of your time at The Haven. Well done Diamond class, we know you will achieve great things.

At the end of this term we are also saying good bye to a number of staff and governors. Please see page 2 of the newsletter for further information.

The **new school year starts on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September**. We will be holding meetings for you to meet your child's teacher outlined in the table below:

<b>Classes from September 2016</b>	<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Meeting the class teacher meetings: 2.15 – 3.10pm</b>
Sapphire H	Ms Harmer	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September
Sapphire T	Mr Stone	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September
Emerald F	Mrs Fuller	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September
Emerald M	Ms Matthews	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September
Amber B	Mr Boyd	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September
Amber L	Mr Loveland	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September
Amethyst H	Mr Hitchcock	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> September
Amethyst L	Mrs Lawrence	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> September
Pearl C	Miss Canning	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> September
Pearl P	Mr Parke	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> September
Diamond B	Mrs Barnhurst	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September
Diamond S	Mr Sibson	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September

Finally I would like to share my personal farewell with you all. I feel immensely privileged to have served this school community for nine years and I am extremely grateful for all the support I have received from colleagues, governors, children and parents. We have achieved some amazing things together which was highlighted by a recent visit from the Local Authority. (See page 4). Whilst I haven't always got things right, I have always strived to do my best for the whole school community and thus I have appreciated the honest feedback from you all that has enabled us to continually improve what we do. I know the school will continue to flourish under Mrs Trathen's leadership, as Acting Headteacher, from September and I wish you all the very best for the future. **Mrs Wendy Bray, Headteacher**

## Staff Farewells



Mrs Bailey will be retiring after working at The Haven for twelve years. Mrs Bailey has contributed so much to the school community, through her kindness and consideration of others as well as her total commitment and dedication to the school. Mrs Bailey was initially appointed as an Individual Needs Assistant providing one to one support for an individual pupil, before successfully gaining a Teaching Assistant post. When the opportunity arose to start a before school club, Mrs Bailey was instrumental, with the support of Mrs Brown, in ensuring that this was a fun place for children to come each morning. However, it is Mrs Bailey's passion to support children with their reading that she will be particularly remembered for. Her skills in this area have benefited so many of our pupils. Over the years Mrs Bailey has worked tirelessly to find just the right book that will stimulate a child's interest as well as running after school book clubs. We wish Mrs Bailey and her husband much happiness in their retirement.



Mrs Marchant will also be leaving at the end of this term as she has secured a position at her children's school, Gildredge House. Mrs Marchant has been a very kind and calm member of the team, showing great patience and understanding when working with the children. The staff team and pupils have greatly benefited from her extensive skills, and in particular the way she has supported groups of pupils with their Literacy skills, through leading the Literacy Fresh Start Intervention as well as the way she has supported pupils with the development of their speech. We wish her and her daughter much happiness in their new school in September.

## Staff Farewells



Miss Eaton will be moving back nearer to her home over the summer break to take up a teaching position in Derbyshire. The positive feedback from parents about the impact that Miss Eaton has had on their children's learning and development is testimony to her high level of commitment and her drive to ensure the children in her care are motivated to do their best. Miss Eaton has been a significant member of the school team over the past two years, not only making a huge difference to children in the classroom but also leading our School Council. We wish her much happiness in her new school in September.



Finally we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Stockton who will be moving to take up a position at her son's school, Cavendish in Eastbourne from September. Through her conscientiousness and hard work, Miss Stockton has had a huge impact on both pupils and staff. She has supported children to improve their Literacy skills through leading a Literacy Fresh Start Intervention as well as nurturing and supporting pupils in the classes where she has worked, encouraging them to believe in themselves and thus strive to reach their potential. We wish Mrs Stockton much success in her new post.

## Governors' Farewells



At the end of this term we are saying goodbye to two of our Governors, Mr Jon Anniss and Mrs Jo Whiteman. As retired headteachers, the support these governors have been able to provide has been invaluable in helping us to improve. We have greatly valued their contributions and commitment to the school and wish them well in the future

## Local Authority Review

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July the Local Authority carried out a review of the school. Reviews are commissioned by the Local Authority where a headteacher is leaving to provide an objective view of the school's current position for both the new headteacher and the governors. The review was carried out by two consultants and involved lesson visits, talking to children, book scrutinies and interviews with governors and the members of the extended leadership team. The overall judgement was ***'the leadership and management of the school may be judged good or outstanding at the school's next inspection'***.

Here are some of the highlights of the report:

***'High expectations by teachers motivate and engage pupils, and learners respond to the challenge willingly and purposefully. Pupils have good attitudes to learning; they are keen and resilient'***

***'Teaching Assistants are effectively deployed in classrooms. They contribute effectively to the inclusive nature of the school'***

***'Pupils are polite and well-mannered. They work well collaboratively in the classrooms and in the playground areas. They are keen to engage with visitors and contribute to the welcoming, community feel of the school'***

***'Leaders at all levels demonstrate willingness and commitment to improve. The leadership of the headteacher and deputy headteacher is outstanding. They have a continual drive to raise the performance of the school and to develop an ethos of collective responsibility for school improvement'***

***'The leadership vision permeates all areas of the school. For example, teaching assistants recently led a professional development meeting on effective assessment for learning which had a positive impact on provision and learning in the classroom'***

***'Governors have a clear understanding of the strengths and areas for development in the school'***

***'Governors have been proactive in monitoring the school development plan and holding senior leaders to account'***

## 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.

The following children have been awarded a certificate: **Ruby:** Miley, Paddy, Luca, Daisy, Bibi, Elbaruch, Tom, Tyrese **Sapphire:** George, Jayden, Felicite, Lilly, Oliver, Edonesa, Lola **Emerald:** Rhiann, Brooke, Sonia, Alfie, Louise, Jacob, Caleb, Caiden **Amber:** Harry, Sidad, Zuzanna, Kristiana, Jothi, Zack, Lizzie, Daniel **Amethyst:** Amethyst E & Amethyst H (17.06.16), Soraya, Andrew, Elena, Cameron, Grace, Jasmine **Pearl:** Mitha, Ethan, Emily, Amber, Jake, Freya, Toby, Jorja **Diamond:** Lottie, Skye, Greg

## Christian Distinctiveness

The following children have been recognised for demonstrating one of our School Christian values- hope, respect, responsibility, justice, compassion and courage:

### Ruby Classes

Fabian for always showing respect to other children.

Jayden for showing responsibility by remembering to bring all the right things to school.

Bella for always being a kind friend.

Kariman for showing responsibility by being a super helper at tidy up time.

Tom for showing responsibility when doubling numbers and challenging himself.

Louis for showing responsibility with his good listening.

Aoife for showing kindness and compassion to her friends.

Zach for showing responsibility at tidy up time.

### Sapphire Classes

Eve for being courageous and telling the truth in a tricky situation

Dontae for helping to tidy the classroom without being asked.

Olivia for taking responsibility for her spellings by practising at home.

Felicite and Edonesa for showing compassion and responsibility by sharing their work with each other on celebration afternoon.

## **Christian Distinctiveness**

Connor for showing compassion and curiosity by examining snails carefully and kindly.

Joe for taking responsibility for his own learning by reading every night.

Chase for showing courage even when he found his writing tricky.

## **Emerald Classes**

Emmanuel for always having courage and hope in all his learning.

Teagan for taking responsibility by following her writing target.

Connie for being compassionate to all her friends when practising for sports day.

Brooke for being spotted twice already for showing responsibility in class.

Rhiann for always having immense courage in all her school life.

Saule for being compassionate to her friends in Emerald class.

Sonia for showing courage in all her learning and always having respect for others.

Alfie for showing compassion for his friend who was poorly.

## **Amber Classes**

Amber B for showing courage all week during our practice tests (17.06.16)

Marissa for showing responsibility through her contributions to Amber M's assembly.

Satheene for showing courage to not give up in PE when she found tennis difficult. Well done Satheene!

Ola for consistently showing a responsible attitude to her learning.

Taleb for being a kind and respectful member of the school.

Archie for showing a responsible attitude to his reading and improving dramatically.

Shaun for showing amazing compassion and respect towards his house mates on sports day.

Henry for showing respect by always being a great buddy.

## **Amethyst Classes**

Ola for being a responsible role model.

Isabelle for taking great responsibility over her work.

Rhianna for being a responsible team player when playing rounders.

## Christian Distinctiveness

### Pearl Classes

Alfie C. for taking responsibility for his own learning.

Charlie for always being kind and respectful.

Alfie H. for being kind and compassionate when working with his talk partner.

Jasmine for always showing compassion and kindness to everyone.

Naiem for taking responsibility to improve his writing.

Chloe for showing responsibility for her learning in maths.

Jemimah for taking responsibility for her own learning.

Ollie for always showing Mrs Lawrence compassion and making her smile.

### Diamond Classes

Jessica for showing compassion to a new member of the class.

Keontez for showing responsibility by providing superb support as an ICT technician.

Aliesha and Skye for showing compassion and responsibility by supporting Miss Woods.

Joshua and Katie for showing compassion towards their friends.

## Diary Dates



### July

**22<sup>nd</sup>** School closes for summer holidays normal time

### September

**6<sup>th</sup>** School re opens

9<sup>th</sup> Diamond classes meet the teacher ~ 2.15 pm

9<sup>th</sup> Emerald classes meet the teacher ~ 2.15 pm

12<sup>th</sup> Amethyst classes meet the teacher ~ 2.15 pm

12<sup>th</sup> Pearl classes meet the teacher ~ 2.15 pm

13<sup>th</sup> Sapphire classes meet the teacher ~ 2.15 pm

13<sup>th</sup> Amber classes meet the teacher ~ 2.15 pm

15<sup>th</sup> Pearl C class swimming lessons (1)

22<sup>nd</sup> Pearl C class swimming lessons (2)

29<sup>th</sup> Pearl C class swimming lessons (3)



### October

6<sup>th</sup> Pearl C class swimming lessons (4)

13<sup>th</sup> Pearl C class swimming lessons (5)

20<sup>th</sup> Pearl C class swimming lessons (6)



God in all we do

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