

The Haven School Newsletter

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E-Safety



ZIP IT

Keep your personal stuff private and think about what you say and do online.



BLOCK IT

Block people who send nasty messages and don't open unknown links and attachments.



FLAG IT

Flag up with someone you trust if anything upsets you or if someone asks to meet you offline.

Compassion



- Loving
- Kind
- Caring

"Let all that you do be done in love" 1 Corinthians 16:14

Welcome back after the wonderful summer break. We are happy to inform you all that both Mrs Langley and Mrs Fuller are now Deputy Heads. They are not classroom based, but will be supporting the leadership and development of the school with their particular skills and expertise.

Our focus this year will be on raising the children's interest in reading. There will be a number of initiatives taking place in the infants and the juniors, but Mrs White is keen to make the library a room the children can use purposefully and develop a love of reading. We are all keen to reintroduce the birthday book idea. In the past on a child's birthday, instead of cakes or sweets for the class, the child donated a book which is labelled to the class from them. This book is then presented in assembly when the child gets their birthday certificate on a Friday.

We have been running a food pantry for about a year, which is to support our Haven School parents who are experiencing difficult times. As parents, please make Mrs Trathen aware of any families you are aware of who are struggling financially and could do with a little help. It is just a small bag of basic food items, but it may offer parents the chance to free up a little bit of money for other things.

Meet the new teacher meetings have been held but if there are any concerns please ensure you tell your class teacher immediately so that any difficulties can be addressed. If you feel you need further support please feel free to make an appointment with Mrs Trathen, Mrs Langley or Mrs Fuller.

Sunrisers Breakfast Club & Twilight Club

Any parent who is wishing to use either Sunrisers Breakfast Club or Twilight After School Club must give at least 24 hours notice of attendance.

For Sunrisers please make all payments online before the end of the school day if a space is required for the following day.

Please do not make payments on a Saturday or Sunday as we are unable to guarantee a space will be available for the Monday morning.

If you require a space at Twilight After School Club, please contact the Haven Nursery either by going into see them when you drop your child off at school to complete the necessary paperwork, or call 01323 471840.

Attendance

Like last year, we will be focusing on attendance within school. We were happy that the overall school attendance had improved last year on the one previous, and we hope to keep this up for this school year.

The first week back attendance was as follows:

RRUBY RE	100%
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3AMBER J	100%
5PEARL P	100%
5PEARL SB	99.2%
1SAPPHIRE P	98.3%
1SAPPHIRE W	97.9%
2EMERLAD ML	97.9%
3AMBER S	97.7%
2EMERALD WA	97.5%
4AMETHYST H	97%
6DIAMOND LW	96.1%
6DIAMOND C	95.1%
4AMETHYST L	93.8%
Totals	97.6%

School Uniform

It was lovely to see so many children looking smart in their school uniforms last week.

It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. Most of the uniform can be purchased at numerous retail outlets around the town. The sweatshirt is available for sale, along with book bags, P.E. kit bags and sunhats, from **Blueprint Leisure** who are based in Hailsham. These all bear the school logo. Parents are able to place orders on-line, by post or collect from Blueprint Leisure direct. These items can be ordered via our school website (www.thehaven.e-sussex.sch.uk) by following the 'Virtual School Office' link.

We attach great importance to the appearance of our pupils, and their standard of dress. We hope the children will gain a sense of belonging to the school community by wearing the uniform. For these reasons, we ask that children and parents ensure that it is worn smartly and with pride. To support parents in purchasing the correct school uniform we have a display of the boy's and girl's uniform in our main entrance area.

Winter Uniform ~ This can be worn throughout the year.

- **Traditional grey knee length** skirt/pinafore dress or **traditional grey** trousers. Trousers should be either flat/pleated front with no large pockets (no cargo or combat style trousers or black trousers please)
- White polo shirt.
- School sweatshirt or cardigan with embroidered logo (which can be ordered through Blueprint Leisure)
- Black low/no heeled shoes (**no trainers or open toed shoes i.e. sandals, please**)
- Grey or white socks or grey tights.

Optional Summer Uniform ~ After Easter through to the end of the October term.

- **Navy** and white checked (i.e. gingham) dress with short sleeves (No pale blue checked dresses please)
- **Traditional grey** shorts flat/pleated front (no cargo or combat style shorts)
- Socks, colours as above, **must** be worn. White tights may be worn with the navy and white checked dresses.

Please ensure that all uniform is labelled clearly with your child's name.

P.E. Kit

Pupils should wear plain navy shorts and a white tee-shirt. Black plimsolls or trainers (not black soled) must be worn. For safety reasons, children who do not have their kit will not be able to participate in the lesson. Navy jogging trousers and navy fleece zipped tops may be worn for outside P.E.

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and a small wrist watch. We ask the children to remove these objects before PE and games.

Extreme haircuts

For health and safety issues, children with hair longer than shoulder length should wear it tied back. **Only navy, school green or hair coloured hair accessories such as scrunchies or ribbons are permitted.** We also request that pupils have hairstyles that are appropriate for school. Exaggerated hairstyles such as shaved patterns, tramlines, close shave and Mohican cuts are not permitted.

The following are not permitted

- Shoes with high heels (>5 cm), backless shoes, trainers (except for PE), or other informal styles. (No canvas or visibly badged footwear, no long length boots)
- Nail varnish

Ruby Classes

It was lovely to see all the new Ruby children start school this week, and from watching them, they all looked like they have settled in really well.

If any parent does have any concerns, please feel free to speak to a member of your child's class.

September

- 13th ~ Pearl P class swimming lessons (1)
- 20th ~ Amber S class worship ~ 9.05 am
- 20th ~ Pearl P class swimming lessons (2)
- 24th ~ Ruby class's cycle training ~ 1.30 pm ~ 3.15 pm
- 25th ~ Ruby class's cycle training ~ 1.30 pm ~ 3.15 pm
- 26th ~ Ruby class's cycle training ~ 1.30 pm ~ 3.15 pm
- 27th ~ Ruby class's cycle training ~ 1.30 pm ~ 3.15 pm
- 27th ~ Pearl P class swimming lessons (3)
- 28th ~ Ruby class's cycle training ~ 1.30 pm ~ 3.15 pm

October

- 4th ~ Diamond classes Harvest worship ~ 9.05 am
- 4th ~ Pearl P class swimming lessons (4)
- 10th ~ Diamond C class ~ Safety in Action
- 11th ~ Diamond LW class ~ Safety in Action
- 11th ~ Pearl P class swimming lessons (5)
- 17th ~ Whole school photo day
- 18th ~ Pearl P class swimming lessons (6)
- 19th ~ End of Term 1