



# Halam Church of England Primary School

*Life in all its fullness*

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The children look super in their "non-uniform" today! Thank you to everyone for all of the lovely donations for the PTFA Summer Fair – any more donations can be brought to the School Office at any time. I will put a photograph on Instagram later!



## **Terrific Assembly Awards**

Well done this week to:

**Cherry Class:** Millie for trying hard with her reading.

Lola for making a super effort with her maths, working on  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$

**Maple Class:** Megan for her excellent focus during maths.

Lochlan for his wonderful enthusiasm during learning time.

**Oak Class:** Mia for her enthusiasm in preparing for the school performance.

India for being so competent with the laptop in collective worship.

... and a special "well done" to Alex, Edward C, Aston & William who were in the team that won the most points for good co-operation at Hagg Farm.

**Head Team Award:** Lily T for making lots of new friends in her new school.

**Lunchtime "Good Manners" Awards:** Ben and Thea

**Best attendance this week:** Oak Class – 93%

**Housepoints:**  
First – **Ruby** (27)  
Second – **Sapphire** (23)  
Third – **Emerald** (19)



**Birthdays:** Archie



## **Bag2School Collection**

A reminder that our next Bag2School collection is on Tuesday, 24 June.

Please leave any items for collection in bags outside the school office before 9am, (or just inside the door if it is raining).

There is a full list of items that they collect on the website: <https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect>

If you are unable to get the items to school on the day, please give them to Rebecca Bower or Gemma Bust before Tuesday. Many thanks for your support.



## **Lunchboxes**

Lovely as the current spell of warm weather is, there are implications for parents and carers with regards to their children's lunchboxes. Please could I ask parents and carers to try to use insulated lunchboxes, with ice-packs inside to keep the food cool. We do store lunchboxes out of direct sunlight, but we do not have the capacity to put them in a fridge. Parents should also consider perhaps sending "low-risk" foods (so no meat fillings in sandwiches) whilst it is so warm. Our

catering service do offer a “pick and mix” selection which is a choice of a filled roll and side salad and a pudding which might be a possible alternative for those children who do not want to have a hot lunch.



### **Teaching Staff Changes**

As you are aware, Mrs Christy and Miss Long will be leaving our school at the end of the Summer Term, we are very grateful for their hard work whilst they have been with us at Halam, and I know that you all join with me in wishing them all the best for the future.

The Governors and I are delighted to let you know that we have been successful in appointing a new teacher for our school, Mrs Lo Bue. Mrs Lo Bue will be visiting school before the end of term, and is able to join us for the transition afternoon on Monday, 30 June.

I am now in a position to confirm the teaching arrangements for next year, these are as follows:

**Cherry Class** (Y2, Y1 & F2) – Mrs Lo Bue

**Maple Class** (Y4 & Y3) – Mrs Hammond

**Oak Class** (Y6 & Y5) – Mrs Francis

I will share with you the support staff arrangements as soon as these have been finalised.



### **Y6 Time Travelling in Halam Church**

On Friday, 27 June the Y6 children are going “Time Travelling” in Halam Church. They will be leaving school just after 9am and will be back in time for the usual lunchtime arrangements.



### **Warm Weather**

As the weather is warmer and sunnier again, please will parents and carers make sure that the children have a water bottle in school every day – this should be filled with water (not squash or juice). Please make sure that the bottle they bring is one that they can open easily themselves, and is clearly labelled with their name.

It would also be useful if the children could bring a sun hat to school to wear at playtimes and they may bring suncream too, (also clearly labelled with their name!), thank you.



### **Y6 Transition Visit**

Y6 will bring home a letter today about a visit to the Minster School on Wednesday, 25 June – apologies for the last-minute notice, but the travel arrangements have only just been confirmed by the Minster School.



### **End of Term Picnic**

On Friday, 25 July (the last day of term) we are going to hold a Summer Picnic on the school field in the afternoon. Parents, carers, families and friends are welcome to join us from 2.30pm – bring a picnic, a blanket, and something to sit on.

Finally with this newsletter is a flyer from Canoville Coaching about their Summer Holiday Camp.

Thank you for your continued support,

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Executive Headteacher

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## Dates for the diary

<b>Friday, 13 June</b>	No Choir	
<b>Friday, 20 June</b>	PTFA Non-Uniform Day for the Summer Hampers	
<b>Monday, 23 June</b>	Sue Hulme (Riverside Church) to do collective worship	<b>*new date</b>
<b>Tuesday, 24 June</b>	Bag2School collection	
	Sustainability Group meeting	<b>*new date</b>
<b>Wednesday, 25 June</b>	Y6 pupils visiting the Minster School	<b>*new date</b>
<b>Friday, 27 June</b>	Y6 "Time Travelling" at Halam Church	
<b>Monday, 30 June</b>	Transition Day – visits to new classes	
<b>Wednesday, 2 July</b>	Open Evening for children starting school in September 2026	
<b>Thursday, 10 July</b>	Whole School visit to Belton House	
<b>Tuesday, 15 July</b>	Oak Class Summer Performances 2pm & 6pm	
<b>Thursday, 17 July</b>	2pm Sports Day & PTFA Summer Fair	
<b>Tuesday, 22 July</b>	Leavers' Church Service 9.15am (whole school involved – all parents and carers welcome to attend)	
<b>Wednesday, 23 July</b>	Reserve Sports Day	
<b>Friday, 26 July</b>	Leavers' Assembly 9.15am End of term picnic (all welcome!) <i>Break up for the Summer Holidays</i>	<b>*new date</b>

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