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Dear Families,

Another busy few weeks with lots of learning and enrichment activities taking place and now we have some sunshine too!

One of the highlights of the half term has been celebrating The King's Coronation across both schools. The children really enjoyed the day which was made up of learning about the Coronation making Crowns and playing games with a Royal twist, such as King King Queen which was based on Duck Duck Goose, What's the time Your Majesty? based on What's the time Mr Wolf? The children also sang specially prepared songs.







Looking at some of the comments from the children and feedback from the day, I can tell the children really enjoyed this special event and I'm sure they will remember it for many years to come and will in turn share it with their own families.

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#### **TEACHING AND LEARNING**

The KS2 children enjoyed a morning of cricket. It was a pleasure to see pupils of Hayeswood, Colehill and Pamphill schools get to know each other whilst developing their skills. Thank you to sports leaders in Dumpton and Mrs who really helped to hone their skills. This was a really lovely event and is something we would like to do more of.





Mrs Dawson, PE lead has set up a running club at lunchtime at Colehill for interested Year 4s and the children are really setting a high standard and showing lots of resilience. This is something we hope to set up at Hayeswood after half term.



Hayeswood celebrated 50 years of being a school this half term and the children enjoyed looking at some of the similarities and differences between 50 years ago and now. They created a massive 50 on the field. They looked at some old log books and looked at old photos sporting some key differences and similarities.

Mr Tomlinson MP came along for the celebration and led an assembly at both schools, where he enjoyed hearing the school songs. He spoke to the children about Houses of parliament and set up a mock parliamentary session. The children were excellent! There were plenty of 'hear, hears! And waving papers and all responded well to the speaker.

The children articulated arguments on both sides of the motion that there should be an extra week school holiday, listening to responses and adjusting their argument.

See some of the arguments presented below:

The children needed to be in school to learn

If you were struggling it would make it even trickier

It would be good to spend more time with families and the last



one got the loudest cheer, the teachers need a longer break so they have energy when they come back!

### FOCUS ON MATHS

The children have continued to work really hard in their maths learning. I have really enjoyed going into all year groups and seeing the enthusiasm, and 'out of the box' thinking that the children use to solve different problems. We have started some exciting reasoning work using the 'explore tasks' in our maths lessons to give all children the opportunity to reason and problem solve at the start of our lessons.

With the Year 4 multiplication check not far away, it is really important for the children to be practising their times tables as much as possible at home, using their Sumdog and TT Rockstars accounts. Here are some other useful websites to use:

https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/ https://urbrainy.com/mtc/test https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/multiplication-tables-check

Mr Hayes (Maths Lead)

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

Year 3 at Hayeswood visited The Etches Museum and Kimmeridge Bay as a review of their learning on Rocks and Fossils. The children remembered so much and Hedgehog class was the best behaved class they've ever had. Well Done Hedgehogs!



Keith Hatton Author

Visits Year 3



### SCHOOL COUNCIL

The school council are organising a Road Safety Poster Competition. It has been noted on both sites that there are some cars on the zig zag areas and parked on corners by junctions both of which are against the Highway Code. We continue work with others to find ways to make the roads safer outside schools.

Please note that use of the zig zag areas in front of school continue to be abused. These are in place for the safety of all your children.

After half term, parents at Colehill will be able to park in the Village Hall car park in the mornings. Please ensure that this is treated with respect and cars have left the are by 9 am. This is on a trial basis until the end of the summer term.

#### ATTENDANCE

This is our current attendance for each school for your information. Thank you to all those who are making significant efforts to ensure your children are in school, are on time and are ready to start their learning.

#### Hayeswood 95% Colehill 95.7%

Finally thank you to all those who supported Bag2School at Colehill which raised £180. Watch out for the next collection on 8<sup>th</sup> December.

Wishing you a very happy, sun filled break whatever your plans are,

Yours sincerely,

Sharon Staddon

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

29th May to 2nd June - Half term 5th June - Inset Day 6th June - Pupils return 6th June - HAY Class Photos 7th June - COL Class Photos 13th June - COL Sports Day 14th June - HAY Sports Day 15th June to 16th June - HAY Y4 Carey Camp residential 22nd June to 23rd June - COL Y3 ATC residential 7th July - Transfer Day 8th July - HAY HSA Summer Fayre 21st July - Last day of Summer term

