



Newsletter

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Apps to help children stay safe online

The BBC have a website and app called [Own It](#). The website has a lot of content for children to help them navigate their online lives, and the free smartphone app comes with a special keyboard which can intervene with help and support in the moments that children need it the most. It can be downloaded for free in the Google Play Store and Apple App Store.

[SafeToNet](#) is an app for parents to help them safeguard their children from online risks like cyberbullying and sexting, whilst respecting their child's rights to privacy. The SafeToNet Foundation is providing UK families with free access to 1 million licences during coronavirus.

Payment for School Dinners in September 2020

Children who are currently in Year 2 will start paying for school dinners in September (unless they are eligible for free school meals).

Please note that school dinners cost £2.30 per day and **should be paid for either on the day or in advance**. Payment should be made online via Scopay and you can pay daily, for a week, month or term in advance. If you are not already registered to make payments on-line please contact the school office who will provide you with the relevant details. If you pay in advance and your child does not have a dinner for whatever reason, then the money is carried forward to the next day. Any money left in credit at the end of term will be carried forward to the next term.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Miss Ford on the safe arrival of her baby daughter, Lily and also to Mrs Perry on the birth of her daughter, Maria.



Contact Details



It is very important that you keep the school up to date when there are any changes to your child's contact details. Please could you advise the office of any contact changes, as this will ensure that your child's records are up to date. It is the responsibility of parents & carers to keep this information correct at all times.



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We are seeking to appoint a permanent Mealtime Assistant from September 2020, £9 p/h, Monday to Friday, 1.5 hours a day, during term time, within the Primary phase of the Federation of Tiverton Schools, to be based at Heathcoat Primary School. Applicants must be supportive, reliable and adaptable in order to meet the daily needs of the school.

Please contact the school on (01884) 252445 or email admin@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk for an application form or further information. Closing Date: noon on Friday 10th July 2020

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults, and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

This role requires a DBS disclosure.

This role requires the ability to fulfil all spoken aspects of the role with confidence and fluency in English.

Message from Miss Higginson & Mrs Crook

Yesterday the government issued its guidance on the full re-opening of schools for full-time education of all pupils from September. We have held this statement as our compass-bearing during the current phase of re-opening :

To maximize, the effectiveness of teaching and care for our pupils, whilst safeguarding the health and well-being of everyone on site.

We relish the opportunity to welcome all our pupils back in September. Staff and parents have been working hard together to support learning at home as best we can, and we very much appreciate all your efforts. We know we can support their learning so much better when they are back in school full-time, and it will again be a legal requirement to attend school from September. Please be reassured that we are working hard to make sure that we can do this whilst keeping everyone as safe as we can by fully implementing the government's latest guidance. We will be in touch nearer the time with full details of revised arrangements.

Things may yet change, but right now we are looking forward to September with a great deal of enthusiasm and confidence.