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3rd March 2023

Holywell is a NO NUT Zone.

Message from Mrs. Lowrey

This week has been full to the brim with activity! In fact, the start of the week already feels like a long time ago as we have been so busy! There has been so much to celebrate!

On Tuesday, we saw not only some children going out on the adventure of residential, but also the **Park Dance Festival!** The children at the festival represented the school extremely well and I know Ms Scott was extremely proud of the children that she took to Park School. Well done, children, what excellent ambassadors to the school.

Back in school on Tuesday, there was a real buzz, despite being down in numbers! The children engaged in numerous different activities, from preparing for the Easter service to some beautiful art work. In the afternoon, we were down to only 16 children – what amazing opportunities we have had this week – a huge thank you to all the staff involved.

The **Calvert Trust residential** has been a huge success and congratulations to all of the children for the way that they represented the school. They showed excellent teamwork, great manners and all-round behaviour that I have come to expect from Holywell children. Well done all and thank you to Mr Day, Mr Platt, Ms Lowin and Ms Boundy for their hard work.



Volcano Art

Ms Scott had the pleasure of working with Hedgehogs on Wednesday afternoon while other children were on residential and they worked together to achieve an amazing volcano art project! Look at the amazing work on display! The children were incredible at finding ways to work together and had a very enjoyable afternoon.



Welly walking has become a huge success as well and the children are just a delight to take out walking. This week we made river boats and floated sticks down the stream. We were also so pleased to celebrate Jack's birthday out on the walk – thank you for the doughnuts, Jack!



And finally, how can I not end my newsletter to mention what a fantastic day we have had for World Book Day today! It has been such a joy to see everyone dress up and enjoy working across different classes! The children

have enjoyed various arts and crafts based around chosen books and have just been a credit to themselves. Well done everyone and to those who won prizes for their efforts. I will include photographs next week for you to enjoy! Have a wonderful weekend!

Lunchtime clubs

Please use the following link to register your child for the following lunchtime clubs:

Tuesday – KS1 Art club – 12.30-1pm

Friday – KS2 Top Trumps club – 12pm-12.30pm

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=3RWFZvuneEGMNLPLdk_cBxm7KP7e-ZMpJ57Dd1bWcdURFI1VDJDRU5PNUtLQ0JVOURPTUpUUU04My4u

Comic relief

This year we will not be able to sell red noses in school, however, should you wish to wear your red nose, please do. We will be wearing non-uniform for a fundraising voluntary donation of £1. Half of our donations raised will be going towards our long-standing commitment to Edukid and the other half towards Comic Relief direct.

Village Hall AGM

The village hall committee, who we are extremely grateful for as a school are holding their annual AGM on Wednesday 8th March at 7:30pm and would love it if some of our school family could attend.

School News

School Uniform

We are in the process of moving our school uniforms sales from school to Daw's at Daw's Clothing Company Ltd, Unit 2 Affinity Devon, (Atlantic Village) Clovelly Road, Bideford.

As we sell out of items they are taking them on and can be purchased on-line at:

<https://schoolthreads.org/collections/holywell-c-of-e>

PE T-shirts will still be available to purchase from school.

PTA Events

A huge thank you to our PTA who have come up with some fantastic events in order to raise funds for school projects. The PTA are currently supporting the development of The Hollow and will be raising funds to purchase new equipment in the future. The planned events include:

School Disco – possibly 31st March – TBC



ParentPay

Parent Pay Debts.

The following trips are now available or will be available shortly for payment and consent to be made:

School Meals – £2.30 per day

Breakfast & ASC

Swimming and Gymnastics – Reception & yrs. 1, 2, & 3.

Please remember to pay the correct funds into the correct account item, and for the correct child in your family

Diary Dates

10th January – 21st March inclusive. - Gymnastics and Swimming Years R, 1, 2 & 3 – **Please remember to collect your child from the Tarka Leisure centre at 3:00pm.**

28th March – Easter service at St Peter's Church – further details to follow.

31st March – Disco – depending on the number of volunteers.

9th – 12th May – KS2 STAT's week

Term Dates

Spring Half Term – 13th – 17th February 2023 - inclusive.

Easter Holidays – 3rd – 14th April 2023 - inclusive

Non-Pupil Day – Monday 17th April 2023

May Day Bank Holiday – Monday 1st May 2023

Celebratory Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation – Monday 8th May 2023

Summer Half Term – 29th – 2nd June 2023 – inclusive.

End of Term – last day Friday 21st July 2023.

Ventrus Job Vacancies

<https://ventrus.current-vacancies.com/v?id=VENTRUSMUL&t=Ventrus-Careers>

Including vacancies at local schools.

Free School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please go to the [Citizen Portal](#) which is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in an instant decision.

School Transport

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-and-college-transport/>

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transport

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NEW Privacy Notices – November 2023

Important information

Ventrus main privacy notice can be found at <https://ventrus.org.uk/our-people/privacy-notices/>

Ventrus pupil privacy notice can be found at <https://ventrus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Pupil-Privacy-Notice-2022-23-Academy-Ventrus-Nov-22.pdf>