# NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents

# A Message from Mrs Denham

Thank you for all so much for your support during this busy term. We have had trips, visitors in, WOW days, sporting events, charity days and more! At the same time our hugely dedicated and enthusiastic staff are trying their hardest to work with a new curriculum and ever changing assessment criteria to ensure your children receive the best education they can!

We have been very proud mummies and daddies this week as 13 chicks hatched out of their eggs. It has been a joy to sit and watch the chicks. A very big thank you to: Archie and Mr and Mrs Owens who offered to take all the chicks to a new, happy home.

We want to say a huge thank you to the PTA for all their work and support this term. They have raised so much money to help the school. They have held an Easter raffle and continue to provide so much fun and support to the school.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Easter Service in the Church yesterday and thank you to everyone for being supportive about arriving and leaving times.

Members from the school council from the 8 schools in our Three Valleys Learning Partnership meet a few weeks ago to design a logo for the Partnership. Well done to Theo Saunders, who was on the winning team and went to Petroc this week to work with media students to create the Logo.

## Message from the PTA

The PTA would like to thank everyone who donated to Kyle's Get well fund. Hailey Cook the Chair took his Lego Jurassic Park and Avengers activity tin to him yesterday and he was very surprised. He is recovering well and says Thank you to everyone.

# **Team Points**

The winners for this half term are St George's Team with a massive 840 points. They will have their non-uniform day on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

I wish all the staff a wonderful Easter break and hope they manage to enjoy some family time and a well-deserved rest. We look forward to seeing the children back in school on Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup> 2016.

# **Pupils Achievements:**

Congratulations and well done to:

Rhys Gordon; has completed his stage 3 at swimming and also achieved his 1st belt in karate.

Felix Dymond: who has achieved the British Gymnastics proficiency award for level 8.

#### **Missing Uniform**

Ollie Broad in Reception (Robins) lost his trousers after last week's PE lesson (w/ending 11<sup>th</sup> March). He wore home a pair sized 7/8 (unnamed), his own are named with the word Broad and are size 5/6. The size 7/8 pair are now in Robin's class to be collected so if you have the 5/6 pair can you please swap them. Thank you.

## **Year 6 Pupils - Pilton Parents Evening**

Year 6 parents are invited to a parents evening at Pilton Community College on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July starting at 6pm. They will also be inviting the children.

They would also like the children to visit on Thursday  $16^{th}$  (9 am - 12 noon) and Friday  $1^{st}$  July (9 am - 2:45 pm).

## **Head lice**

Just to inform you that we have been notified of a case of Head Lice this week. So if you could all check your children over the Easter break this would help in alleviating the situation.

### Thank you from Mrs. Hammond

Thank you; parents and children throughout the school for such a lovely birthday. Cards and gifts were very unexpected and a very nice surprise. With Easter egg hunts and lots of cake, it will certainly be a birthday to remember!

# Stamps for The Children's Hospice

Mrs. Archer is collecting used stamps for 'The Children's Hospice South West' and would be very grateful if you could bring in your used stamps for this cause.

# **North Devon Schools Gymnastics Competition**

Wow, what a busy and rewarding day Sunday was for Holywell. With 12 teams entered throughout different categories of the competition, the children of Holywell really showed the big schools just how talented and team focused they can be. Without fail, every child fought off their nerves and completed a performance that was outstanding. The level of commitment and determination by the Holywell children was delightful and the results really are something to be proud of.

Team results:

U9 girls' novice Blue: Amelie Masters, Francesca Lewis, Libby Carlyon - 8th

U9 girls novice Purple: Lottie Perfect, Daisy Hooper, Jacey Cook - 9th

U9 girls novice Red: Anastasia Evans, Holly Perfect, Isabelle Westaway - 10th

U9 novice boys: Cooper Vine, Archie Mathews, Monty Andrews - 3rd

U9 novice mixed: Adam Rashid, Charlie Marshall, and Leah Smith - 5th

U11 novice boys: Jack Ayres, Kearney Young, Oliver Lardner - 3rd

U11 novice mixed: Summah Barrow, Honeysuckle Andrews, Tabitha Andrews, and Ethan Ashcroft - 2nd

U7 girls Intermediate: Bella Ayres, Lannah Barrow, Lara Heywood, Maddie Wilson - 1st

U9 Intermediate boys: Adam Rashid, Charlie Marshall, Monty Andrews, Cooper Vine - 2nd

U9 Intermediate mixed: Archie Matthews, Leah Smith, Amelie Masters, Jacey Cook, Libby Carlyon - 7th

U9 Intermediate girls: Holly Perfect, Isabelle Westaway, Francesca Lewis, Anastasia Evans - 2nd

U11 Intermediate mixed - Summah Barrow, Honeysuckle Andrews, Tabitha Andrews, Ethan Ashcroft, Jack Ayres - 5th Some individual results:

Our U7 girls walked away with the top 4 positions out of 10 participants in their section. With only hundredths splitting their overall scores the positions were:

Bella Ayres 1st, Lannah Barrow 2nd, Lara Heywood 3rd and Maddie Wilson 4th - certainly a team to watch in the future!

U9 novice boys saw Adam Rashid finish 3rd overall

A special mention to: Kearney Young who won the Special Endeavour Award for his perseverance and determination, despite struggling with elements of his routine. Kearney was nominated, not just for his attitude towards this competition, but for his attitude towards all of the sporting challenges that he puts himself forward for. An amazing young man, whose willingness to give everything a go no matter what the outcome is a delight to see.

I would also like to thank all of the parents that supported the school and their children at the event. It was a long day, but it could not have happened without you. A special thank you to: Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Vine and Mrs. Carlyon for helping me to ensure all of the children were in the right place at the right time and safe throughout!

<u>After school clubs</u> – All clubs finish at 4:15pm except Recorders which finish at 4pm but if your child wishes to also do Computer Club they can leave at 3.45 to join that club.

Monday	Tag Rugby	Mrs Vine	Y3, 4, 5 & 6	
Monday	Pottery	Mrs Coulam	YR, 1 & 2	
Tuesday	Rounders	Mrs Hammond	Y3,4,5 & 6	
Wednesday	SAT's Booster Club	Mrs Curtis	Y6	
Wednesday	Cricket	Mr Anderson	Y3, 4, 5 & 6.	
Wednesday	Recorders	Mrs Archer	Y4,5&6	
Thursday	Rugby Tots	John Hudson	YR, 1 & 2.	(£4.50 per session)
Thursday	Tri Golf	Andy Pye	Y3,4,5&6	(£2.00 per session).

#### Diary Dates - forthcoming events

Start of Summer Term - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2016.

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## **Raffle Prize Winners**

1<sup>st</sup> - Tessa Evans

2<sup>nd</sup>, Alastair Cockbain

**Date of next meeting** – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April – 6.30pm (at Hayley Cook's house).

#### **Community News**

# Calling All Parents Beginner Circuits

starting on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April. 9.15 – 10 am
£4 – Pay as you go
At the Village Hall, Tawstock.
Please ask Estelle Liepa for more info
07973533668

## Children's Tennis, Cricket and Intensive Swimming at the University of Exeter this Easter!

Our Easter Holiday activities provide a great opportunity for children to improve their skills, have fun and make use of superb indoor facilities. Our friendly and fully qualified coaches will help children to join in, developing confidence as well as sporting ability. Half-day and full day options are available for Tennis and Cricket, while our Intensive Swimming programme involves daily 30-minute sessions over 4 or 5 days. For more information, visit our website: <a href="www.exeter.ac.uk/sport/children/holidays/">www.exeter.ac.uk/sport/children/holidays/</a>. To book Tennis or Cricket, please contact the Sports Park on 01392 724452. To book Swimming, please contact St Luke's Sports Centre on 01392 724940. Don't miss out!

## **Grosvenor Holiday Club 2016**

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March, Thursday 31 March and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April.

Registration Forms and further details are available in the school office or speak with Mrs. Coram, (Ruby and Danny's Mum).

# Award Winning, North Devon All Starz -

return this year with one of the greatest family musicals of all time, Barnum. And they are on the search to find a cast to be in this fun filled, fast moving show.

Boys and Girls aged between 8 and 23 years old are invited to the open auditions on Saturday 16th April. In the Main Hall at The Park Community School. Starting at 1pm and finishing at 3.30pm.

Those who are successful at getting into the Company and wish to audition for a Principal Role will need to stay until 6pm.

There is a £1 audition fee that must be paid on the day.

The performances will take place at the Queen's Theatre from Thursday 28th to Saturday 30th July. Any questions please email the Chairman at tolley.angell@yahoo.co.uk

#### **Tawstock Tiddlers and Toddlers**

Bumps, babies and all preschoolers welcome
Snacks provided Guest speakers and Messy play.
Monday from 9.30 – 11.00 at Tawstock Village Hall
For more details contact Mel:

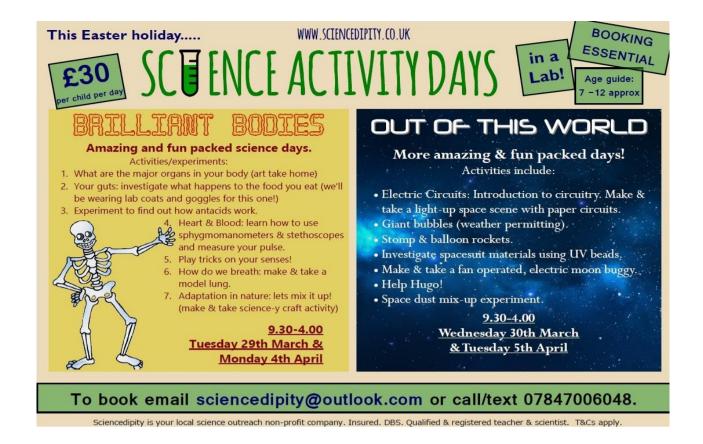
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#### **St Michaels Nursery Tawstock**

We have vacancies at the after school club on Tuesdays and availability in our breakfast club every day. If you are interested call the nursery on 01271 267038 or email office@stmichaels-nursery.org

Forest School Holiday Club Bug hunting, natural crafts, den building, tree climbing, fire building, campfire cooking and much more. Children will be learning and developing skills whilst gaining knowledge and an appreciation of the natural world 4 days of Forest School Holiday Club Only 10 minutes from Barnstaple March 29th, 30th, 31st April 1st 10am-3pm Ages 6-12 £30 per day or £110 for all 4 days www.hakefordwoods.co.uk email: hakefordwoods@gmail.com tel: 01271 817880 For more details please visit our website or Hakeford Woods Find us on Forest School CIC



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Paws on the Beach Hosted by Dogs Helping Kids, Paws on the Beach is an exciting new event for dogs and their owners, taking place on Saunton Beach in North Devon on 22nd May 2016.

Throughout the day there will be a huge selection of paw-some activities to entertain both dogs and their owners, including a family fun dog show, 'The Big Sit' world record attempt, and the K9 Factor dog talent contest. Plus, we're very excited to announce that we'll be bringing doggy surfing to the UK with a very special demo from specially trained dogs!

Organised by Dogs Helping Kids as their main annual fundraising event, Paws on the Beach hopes to raise money to help train a new intake of Certified School Dogs.