

## Newsletter



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16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

## A message from Mrs. Denham

We are sorry for the closure of Foxes class this week but are very grateful for your support and understanding. We are also very grateful for the support we have received and continue to receive from Ventrus throughout the pandemic.

We are thrilled that next year's Y5/6 will have the opportunity to attend residential at St George's House, Georgeham in October with Bratton Fleming School. How lovely that we can start to get back to some sort of normality! Yesterday, the children in KS1 thoroughly enjoyed a visit from the Boo to a Goose Theatre company kindly paid for by the PTA. The play was about a magic garden and the children were very engaged with the whole performance.

Well done to all the children who took part in this year's Sports Day. Although, it was a shame to be missing the parents & the children from Foxes, the rest of the school had great fun and did themselves proud taking part in a mixture of track and field events! A special mention goes to the children who received medals for sportsmanship and well done to the winning house group St David's for accumulating the most points on what turned out to be a beautiful morning! Thank you to Mr Day for organising this event.

Next week should be a busy one and we are looking forward to hopefully having all the children present for the last few days.

#### **PE Hoodie**

Before you start purchasing your child's uniform for the new term we would like to remind you that the hoodie is part of the PE uniform and not the general school uniform.

#### Breakfast Club.

We are now pleased to inform you that we will be able to provide a Breakfast club from September. We will be able to take up to 8 children per session and the cost will be £4.00 per child which will include breakfast. You will be able to drop your child off at 8 am.

If you would like a place for your child/ren in Breakfast club from September can you, please NOW CONFIRM the days you require by email.

#### After School Club.

We are still looking into the possibility of running an After-school club.

### **School News**

#### **Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) Review Myth busting:**

Breaking through some of the misconceptions around the Education, Health and Care Plan review processes. Read more in the course flyer.

#### Dates:

- Wednesday 21st July (10.30-12.00)
- Thursday 23rd Sept (10.30- 12.30)

Book your place here.

#### Are your children eligible for Free School Transport?

All children between 5 and 16 qualify for free school transport **if they go to their nearest suitable school** and live at least:

- 2 miles from the school if they're under 8
- 3 miles from the school if they're 8 or older

Find details on <u>free school transport</u> from your local council.

#### This is the DDC link

https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/guide/primary-school-transport/applications

#### Applications - Education and Families - Devon

Applications. If you have read the introduction along with the other sections above and you would like to apply for free school transport for your child, complete the online primary school transport application form. A transport application form must be completed for each child who requires transport.

www.devon.gov.uk

#### **National Book Tokens**

National Book Tokens are holding a free prize draw, giving schools the chance to win £5000 of National Book Tokens for their library!

All adults have to do is fill in their name, email address, postcode, and the name of our school, so please have a go. It only takes a few minutes to complete and the more entries that the school receive the better chance we will have of winning the prize.

If your entry is picked, you will also receive £100 of National Book Tokens to spend on yourself! The closing date is Saturday 31st July 2021, and the winner will be announced in the autumn term. If you would like to place a free entry for Holywell school, please follow the link below: Win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for your school

We would like to hear your experiences of receiving equipment for children and young people with SEND If your child has been prescribed and received equipment to support them, then we want to hear about your experiences. Examples of this would be where perhaps an Occupational Therapist or Physiotherapist has prescribed some equipment to support your child. This could include, for example, specialist seating, equipment to support bathing and personal care, hoists, or maybe adaptations to support independence in your home.

We're hosting an engagement session on Zoom on Tuesday 22 June, and we'd love for you to join and give your feedback about your experiences.

The event will take place from 10.30am to 11.30am. <u>To book your place, please complete this form</u>. Alternatively, if you can't or don't want to join the session, but do still want to share your experiences, thoughts and ideas, you can also use the above form to do so.

We will use the feedback to inform improvements going forwards.

## **DIARY DATES**:

Monday19th July – New intake visit - 09:00 to 15:00 Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Y6. Leavers service – Tawstock village hall. 2 to 3pm.

#### **Next Academic Year**

11<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021 – Year 5 and 6 Residential to St George's House.

# Holywell is a NO NUT Zone.

## **Summer Term**

Last day of the Summer term will be Friday 23rd July

## **Autumn Term 2021**

Start of the Autumn term (for children) will be Wednesday 8th September. Non-Pupil day Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021 Half term Monday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021(inclusive). Last day of the Autumn term Friday 17th December 2021 Start of the Spring term is Tuesday 4th January 2022 **News from the PTA** 



Our thoughts are with the families that have been affected by Covid this week and we look forward to seeing everyone back in school soon!

#### **Summer Raffle**

Only ten days left until our first online raffle! Have you got your tickets yet? We have a variety of wonderful prizes to win:

Afternoon Tea for Two at Bovey Castle Full Day of Activities at Skern Lodge for Two Cream Tea for Two at Queen Anne's Cafe on the Strand Coffee and cake for two at Artisarni Luxury Night-in Hamper Parker, The World's First Augmented Reality Bear SALTROCK Backpack Intempo Pair & Play Bluetooth Microphone Speaker George. home - Throw Lindt Swiss Luxury Chocolate Selection Royalty Line Cupcake Maker Paw Patrol Mighty Pups Charged Up Marshall Deluxe Vehicle Yellow Tail 2020 Pinot Grigio Paper Place Set of 3 Storage Suitcases Fairyland Jigsaw Book Winnie the Pooh Book and Pen Set

Please help us spread the word online so we can sell many more 'ticketless' tickets this year. Please be sure to email or social message the link below to as many people as you can: friends, family and work colleagues! Thank you!

https://raffall.com/243342/enter-raffle-to-win-holywell-school-summer-raffle-hosted-by-friends-of-holywellschool-tawstock

> Enter Raffle to Win Holywell School Summer Raffle Hosted By Friends of Holywell School -**Tawstock**

Holywell Primary School Tawstock is hosting their 2021 Summer Raffle online with Raffall. We have a wide variety of wonderful prizes to win kindly donated by parents, family members and sponsors. 90% of all money raised from ticket sales will go direct

raffall.com

We will continue to sell ice lollies on **Fridays after school** (50p each). Please maintain a safe **social distance**, wait your turn and ask for what you want to be handed to you (please do not put your hands in the boxes). Remember to put your wrapper in the bag provided or take it to a bin. Thank you!

#### **Back to School Bargains!**

It's inevitable that you'll need new school uniform for September so why not consider buying nearly new? The PTA has a large collection of branded uniform including book bags, but we also have a lot of trousers, dresses, skirts etc. Priced at only £1 per non-branded item and £2 for one with a logo it's a great way to save yourself some money and to raise funds at the same time. 100% of your donation goes to 'the Friends of Holywell School' charity. You will also help the environment by saving precious resources. Did you know it can take 2,700 liters of water to produce the cotton needed for just one t-shirt?

If you need uniform or have any questions please drop Hazel a message on 07974 208835.

We also plan to hold a Key Stage 1 (sizes 3-7) uniform sale on **Monday 19**th **July** outside school from 2.45pm.