

## NEWSLETTER



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26<sup>th</sup> July, 2018

#### A message from Mrs. Denham

What a wonderful day we had at Saunton Sands yesterday. The weather was in our favour and the children were just so happy. They loved the digging and building and the ice lollies! We want to say a huge thank you to all the support and help we had to make sure the day was a great success. We had many comments saying how well the children behaved and how polite they were! How lucky we are to be able to take the children on such a fabulous trip.

I want to say a THANK YOU to our superb Governing Body chaired by Linda Watt, for all their dedication and support for both schools in our Federation. They volunteer tirelessly throughout the year and have really made a difference to the leadership and management of the Federation. We must also THANK the wonderful PTA, chaired by Kirsty Perfect, for all they do, raising much needed funds for the school and also providing a wide variety of events and activities for all the pupils and their families. We are very grateful to them for all their hard work. The highlights of the year were definitely the Auction Night and Holywell Rocks 2018

We have had to say a very sad good bye to Mrs. Vine, Mrs. Lloyd and Mrs. Curtis. They have been superb TA's and will be very sadly missed. We wish them all the very best in their next ventures. We welcome Mrs. Rolfe, Mr. Buckton & Ms, Benstead to the Holywell team in September, 2018.

We have to say a huge goodbye to our amazing and wonderful Y6 – Felicity Ayres, Libby Carlyon, Jacey Cook, Billy Dudden, Finley Ellis, Reegan Fowler, Francesca Lewis, Findley Lloyd, Charlie Marshall, Amelie Masters, Archie Matthews, Aiden Milton, Adam Rashid, Kyle and Leah Smith. Thank you: Mrs. Curtis and Mrs. Vine for organising such a lovely leaver's service this week. We wish you every success as you move onto your new adventures in secondary school. We know you will let your light shine.

We also need to say a big goodbye to Isabelle and Corey who are moving on to new schools. We will miss them and wish them all the very best.

Attendance: The following 33 children have achieved an excellent attendance record this year:- Emily Clarke, Henry Clarke, Anya Dingley, Poppy Westaway, Ollie Broad, Evangeline Ingle, Ruby Coram, Ruby Lockhart, Lottie Perfect, Madison Wilson, Leah Smith, Isabelle Westaway, Mia Broad, Isabel Barstow, Eleanor Rosser, Chloe Jenkins, Emily Madden, Elliott Malin, Sophia Rosser, Rhys Gordon, Danny Coram, Felix Dymond, Arabella Farr, Emilia Farr, Yasmin Lewis-Gifford, Archie Barstow, Lucas Dingley, Lara Heywood, Fred Cockbain, Billy Dudden, Monty Andrews, Aidan Milton and Adam Rashid. Well done to you all.

I can't believe we have finally reached the end of such a busy school year. I am so proud of all the children at Holywell - they have worked hard and played hard! I also want to wish the amazing Holywell staff team a well-deserved restful & happy holiday. They work so hard for your children & really go the extra mile. They and the children are what make Holywell such a special school to work in. I wish you all a wonderful summer holiday and hope the sun continues to shine. We look forward to seeing you on **Wednesday 5**<sup>th</sup> **September, 2018** 

# **Holywell is a NO NUT Zone.**

#### Preschool vacancies and free taster sessions

We still have places available in Pre-school on all days. Pre-school is a valued part of our school community and is an important link to the success of the school which we are very keen to keep as a thriving asset to the school. If you know of anyone who is looking for a place please ask them to contact Mrs. Denham or Elaine Palmer at <a href="mailto:adminh@gatewayfed.org.uk">adminh@gatewayfed.org.uk</a> or (01271) 345908 who will be very happy to show them around.

#### **School News**

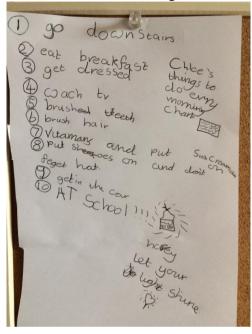
#### Lee Abbey Visit

Squirrels had a hectic end to the term with visits to Lee Abbey for the year 6s, a lovely chilled out beach evening as a 'Wow' event to round off our learning for this term and of course the usual Saunton beach trip and leavers service.

Mrs. Curtis and Mrs. Vine would like to wish all of year 6 a relaxing holiday before the hard work of secondary school begins in September. We look forward to hearing about all of your successes in the coming years. Thank you to all of the parents who have helped and supported us in different ways throughout the year.

#### **Pupils Achievements**

Chloe has written a morning routine for her and Naomi, love number 10!



#### **Foxes Sleepover**

Thank you so much Foxes class for such a wonderful kite Olympics, family picnic, movie night and sleepover - I'm a very,

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very lucky teacher to have such an amazing class - you really are a special bunch . Also thank you to Mrs. Denham, Miss May and Mr. Wilson for joining us over night and Mr. Ayres, Mr. Perfect, Mrs. Perfect, Mrs. Barstow, Mrs. Evans, Miss Ford and Mr. Dymond for your support at the start and end of the sleepover. Have a wonderful Summer Foxes you definitely deserve it!



Squirrels ran their sports day flat races and the results were as follows:

Year 5 Girls sprint 1st Holly Perfect 2nd Isabelle Westaway 3rd Katy Pullen

Year 5 Boys sprint 1st Monty Andrews 2nd Cooper Vine 3rd Charlie Wileman Year 6 Girls sprint 1st Felicity Ayres 2nd Leah Smith 3rd Jacey Cook

Year 6 Boys sprint 1st Adam Rashid 2nd Findlay Lloyd 3rd Charlie Marshall

Mini marathon Year 5 girls 1st Holly Perfect 2nd Isabelle Westaway 3rd Katy Pullen

Year 5 boys 1st Fred Cockbain 2nd Cooper Vine 3rd Charlie Wileman

Year 6 girls 1st Felicity Ayres 2nd Leah Smith 3rd Jacey Cook

Year 6 boys 1st Adam Rashid 2nd Charlie Marshall 3rd Findlay Lloyd

#### Foxes ran their sports day flat races and the results were as follows:

Year 3 girl's flat race Lottie Perfect Lara Haywood Imogen Evans

Year 3 girl's mini marathon Lottie Perfect Lara Haywood Imogen Evans

Year 3 boy's flat race Riley Lloyd Felix Dymond William Matthews

Year 3 boy's mini marathon Riley Lloyd Louie Isaac Felix Dymond

Year 4 girl's flat race Madison Wilson Lannah Barrow Bella Ayres

Year 4 girl's mini marathon Madison Wilson Bella Ayres/Lannah Barrow (joint) Yasmin Lewis Gifford

Year 4 boy's flat race Thomas Greening Cameron Greening Harvey Reeves

Year 4 boy's mini marathon Thomas Greening Cameron Greening Harvey Reeves Well done to everyone who took part it was lovely to see you all trying your very best.

The results for Hedgehogs and Robins will be in the September, Newsletter.

<u>Former Holywell pupil</u> Honeysuckle Andrews, (sister of Monty), has been presented with the Principal's Cup for being "the most outstanding all-round student in KS3" at Pilton Community College annual presentation evening last week. She also won the Computing departmental prize and was runner up for the Maths prize. Well done Honeysuckle!



#### **Music Lessons**

On Thursdays we have a Clarinet, Saxophone and Flute teacher come into school to run private lessons during school time. They have been coming into school for many years now and have taught many of our talented musicians in these instruments which you may have heard play at various times including the Christmas performances and Christingle service.

They now have vacant slots, so if your child is interested in starting to learn to play one of these instruments, please give your details to Mrs. Palmer

#### **Preschool**

Further information regarding funding can be found here

http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/

#### **NEW LINK**

https://new.devon.gov.uk/eycs/the-parent-customer-journey-tax-free-childcare-and-30-hours-free-childcare/

You can apply for your 11 digit code from the HMRC at

https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/applynow

**Devon Early Years and Childcare Service** 

Website: <a href="https://new.devon.gov.uk/eycs/">https://new.devon.gov.uk/eycs/</a>

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/devoneycs

#### **News from the PTA**



Sorry to mention Christmas so early but due to the success we had last year, we will be asking the children to design a Christmas picture again. Their designs will be printed on Christmas Cards, mugs, gift tags etc. This will be organised soon after term starts in September, and you will be able to choose the products you wish to buy in November. Thank you.

If you have or require any good quality, secondhand school uniform please contact Emma Barstow on 07976 269525

#### After school clubs

All clubs finish at 4:15pm.

Netball club has now finished.

Monday	Mrs. Curtis	Fizz Pop Science	Yrs., 3,4,5 & 6	Details will be sent out in Sept.
Tuesday				
Tuesday				
Wednesdays				
Thursday				
Thursday	Staff Meetings			
Friday		Mrs. Hammond	Yrs., 3,4,5 & 6	

#### **Diary Dates – forthcoming events**

#### **Term Dates**

Autumn term 2018 - 5th September Half term first day Friday 19th October Return Monday 29th October End of Autumn term Thursday 20th December. Spring term 2019 – 8th January

#### **Diary Dates**

#### **Community News**

#### Tawstock Tiddlers and Toddlers (has been cancelled until September)

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: 07866783740

#### **Circuits**

Every Tuesday
9 – 9.45 am, in the village hall.
£4 pay as you go
All fitness levels welcome!
Children welcome to come along and play whilst mum/dad get fit.
Contact Estelle Liepa for more info or just turn up.
07973 533668



St. Michael's Nursery **Wrap around service; Breakfast Club and After School Club**. For many years we have offered wrap around care exclusive to Holywell and we are proud to have strong links with your fantastic school. To ensure the service is viable we need to be sure of high level of demand to meet increasing costs of running the nursery and additional services.

Many families at other primary schools have asked us to consider drop/collection at their schools and, should numbers remain low at Holywell we are looking at the logistics of their requests.

We are offering our breakfast and afterschool to Holywell parents before other schools and these places are on a first come first served basis. Katie loves her daily trips to Tawstock!

#### Links you may be interested in?

#### Free or Low-Cost Food during Summer Holidays 2018

The Devon County Council have issued us with this link which you may find useful.

http://www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk/library/schools/food-poverty-and-schools/free-or-low-cost-food-during-summer-holidays-2018

#### Health information from Public Health England

For further information about measles, please visit http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/Pages/Introduction.aspx

Information about the MMR vaccine can be found by visiting http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/mmr-vaccine.aspx

#### Hay fever information from the met office.

This may be helpful if you or a family member is suffering. <a href="https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/news/releases/2018/pollen-survey">https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/news/releases/2018/pollen-survey</a>

#### Operation Earth - Science at home and places to visit.

https://www.operationearth.co.uk/get-involved/

#### **Summer Holiday Activities**

http://www.enchantedwanderers.com/ !7<sup>th</sup> August, Barnstaple, Baptist Church.

#### Kingsley School, Bideford

www.kingsleyschoolbideford.co.uk

#### **Courses for Parents and Children**

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/d/united-kingdom--bideford/family-and-education--classes/

#### **The Plough Torrington**

http://www.theploughartscentre.org.uk/

https://www.facebook.com/StAnnesArtsCommunityCentre/

#### **Barnstaple Library**

http://devonlibraries.org.uk

https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

#### **On-line Safety**

Online safety is an ever expanding area and you can find further valuable information on the CEOP website <a href="https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk">https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk</a> and the NSPCC website <a href="https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventingabuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety">https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventingabuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety</a>

### Tour of Britain – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2018

These timings are draft and may be subject to change. Please double check on <a href="www.devontourofbritain.co.uk">www.devontourofbritain.co.uk</a> as the event approaches where the most up-to-date information on any route changes and timing updates will be published over the coming weeks.

The estimated timings for the stage are:

Location	Estimated
	Time
START: Cranbrook, Younghayes Road	11:00
Ottery St Mary	11:17
King of the Mountains (start): Chineway Hill	11:21
Honiton	11:38
Uffculme	12:12
Willand	12:17
Halberton	12:21
Sprint: Tiverton (Blundells Road)	12:27
Fore Street, Tiverton	12:30
Sprint: Nomansland	12:51
Witheridge	12:55
South Molton (Pannier Market)	13:20
Swimbridge	13:36
Sprint: Landkey	13:40
Barnstaple	13:44
King of the Mountains (start): Bratton Fleming	13:56
Combe Martin	14:20
Ilfracombe	14:33
Woolacombe	14:47
King of the Mountains (Start): Challacombe	14:52
Croyde	14:59
Braunton	15:09
FINISH: Barnstaple, The Strand	15:24