

## A message from Mrs. Denham

This is to let you know that I will be having surgery in Wonford Hospital, Exeter to have a knee replacement soon - a result of doing too much sport when I was younger!!

I will be out of action for a few weeks but will be available by phone or e mail and will popping in and out of school to support the many events happening in the build up to Christmas.

This week we are also say a sad farewell to Miss. Purchase who has been with us at Holywell for the past 5 years. During this time she has been a valued part of our school team, and will be sadly missed by all staff and children. We would like to wish her all the very best in her new job.

## Preschool

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 has not been able to find a place or would like some extra hours, please ask them to contact Mrs. Denham or Elaine at [adminh@gatewayfed.org.uk](mailto:adminh@gatewayfed.org.uk) or (01271) 345908.

Further information regarding funding can be found here

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

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: <https://new.devon.gov.uk/eys/>

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

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

The **PTA Christmas Fayre** will be at Roundswell Community Centre on Saturday 9 December from 10am - 3pm. £10 per table: plus a donation for the raffle. If you would like a stall please let them know.

They are also planning the hampers to raffle at the Christmas performances and Christmas Fayre, and are looking for donations. If you are able to help them with a donation of goodies for these, (Nibbles, biscuits, chutney, cheese etc., please leave your donations in the box in the school office or pass them to a member of the PTA committee. Thank you for your support.

## **Admissions for September, 2018: children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2013 and 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2014.**

The online booking system for those children who are due to start school in September 2018 opened this week on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November and will close at midnight on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. You can apply on-line at; [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline) or if you cannot access the school admissions website you can get more information by calling the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019 or email:

[primaryschooladmissions@devon.gov.uk](mailto:primaryschooladmissions@devon.gov.uk)

## School News

### Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to **Rhys Gordon** who has achieved his orange belt in Karate. Well done Rhys.

### Robin and Hedgehog class

Mrs. Turner & Mrs. Coulam would like to say a big thank you to Donna Reeves and her brother Dan for making the visit to see their father's Traction engines possible and for talking to the children about them and showing them round. Also, another big thank you to: all the parents who gave up their time to help with escorting the children up the road which made the visit possible. Thank you.

### News from the PTA



*50/50 CLUB*

*This week's winner is*

*Charles Gordon*

*Congratulations on winning £9.50*

THE MORE MEMBERS THERE ARE,

THE BIGGER THE PRIZES!!!

If you would like to join, please pick up a form in the office or speak to

Lucy Rosser or Jane Gaytan

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

### Shop

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.

Monday	Netball	Mrs. Hammond	Yrs, 3,4,5&6	<b>No Club on Mon 27<sup>th</sup> November</b>
Tuesday	Pottery	Mrs Coulam	YR, R, 1 & 2	<b>No Club - Parents Evening</b>
Tuesday	Football	Mr Dymond	Yrs. 3,4,5&6	
Wednesdays	Guardians of Ancorra	Mrs. Turner		<b>Last session for this club was Weds 15<sup>th</sup> November</b>
Thursday	Staff Meetings			Parents Evening
Friday	Cross Country	Mrs Hammond	Yrs, 3,4,5&6	

### Diary Dates – forthcoming events

#### Term Dates

Last day of the autumn term – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2017

Start of the Spring term – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2018

#### Diary Dates

**Swim & Gym:** Year 3 & 4, 31st October and November 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. Please remember to collect your child from the Leisure centre of Tarka Tennis centre at 3pm.

**Photo Booth** – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December

**Official Jumper Day:** Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. The children can also wear Christmas jumpers on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> December for a one off payment of 50p per child.

**HW Swap Shop:** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Lunch:** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Service:** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas performances:** Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – 3.30 pm, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December – 2 pm and Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December – 6 pm. Tickets will be available soon.

**Community News**  
**Tawstock Village Hall**

Christmas Bingo

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 7.30 at Tawstock Village Hall

Tea & Coffee available

Raffle

All Funds towards Village Hall Fund

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**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:

07866783740

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**Circuits**

Every Tuesday

9 – 9.45 am, in the village hall.

£4 pay as you go

All fitness levels welcome

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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!

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Children welcome to come along and play whilst mum/dad get fit.

Contact Estelle Liepa for more info or just turn up.

07973 533668

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## **CHRISTMAS BINGO**

**THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2017**

**7.30 PM**

**TEA & COFFEE**

**WITH RAFFLE  
ALL FUNDS TOWARDS VILLAGE HALL FUNDS**





SATURDAY SCIENCE CLUB

# 2D Stop Motion Workshop

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November @ Barnstaple Library



## A BUG'S LIFE

Unleash your creativity in this fabulous workshop to create a film starring bugs & creepy crawlies using 2-D stop motion animation. Share the final movie with friends and family. Get close to real-life critters, learn about their amazing life cycles & other activities.

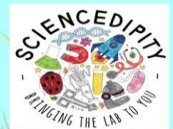


www.smallworldanimations.com

Suitable for all primary school aged kids. £15 per child.  
Choose between am (10-12) or pm (1-3) session. Book via the website:

[www.sciencedipity.co.uk/saturday-science-club/](http://www.sciencedipity.co.uk/saturday-science-club/)

Or email: [sciencedipity@outlook.com](mailto:sciencedipity@outlook.com)



www.sciencedipity.co.uk

# FRIDAY NOVEMBER 17th

## THE OFFICIAL



South Molton  
Town Council

# CHRISTMAS

FEATURING



BBC TV & RADIO PRESENTER  
DAVID FITZGERALD

## LIGHTS SWITCH-ON

in the Square at 6.15pm

FOLLOWED  
BY THE ANNUAL

## FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR

in Central Car Park at 7pm

PLUS

## FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY IN THE PANNER MARKET

### TOTAL WIPEOUT



INCLUDING

### BUCKING BRONCO

