



PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 31 – 19th May 2017

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The next few days

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| Monday 22 nd May | - | Yrs 5/6 Quad Kids @ Kings from 11.50pm / Year 4 Swimming pm
Eco Champions Conference in the Village Hall pm
Rounders @ Kings for Year 5/6 4-5pm |
| Tuesday 23 rd May | - | |
| Wednesday 24 th May | - | Willow/Ash Classes Swimming pm
Full Governor's Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe |
| Thursday 25 th May | - | Willow/Ash Classes - Eden Project Trip leave at 8am, return 5pm p
Year 5 children to OSM Church 9-3.30pm |
| Friday 26 th May | - | Kid's Café (from 3pm) |

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

It has been another busy week. We had interviews on Tuesday for a class teacher and all of the candidates were very strong which was encouraging. We have appointed someone which is brilliant news. I will tell you more next week about our new member of the team.

We have had confirmation now that the building works will be starting on Monday which is extremely exciting. We have been busy packing up books etc and I would like to thank all those parents who gave up their time to help out. It will be a little busy setting up the site but we will soon get into our stride. Dropping off and picking up will carry on as normal on Monday. I will detail the plan of works in a letter next week but work begins on Ash Class first, followed by the Willow site after half term.

Unfortunately the Quad Kids Athletics event for year 5/6 children had to be cancelled on Monday due to the bad weather. It has now been re-arranged to next Monday so let's hope the weather is better for then. If year 5/6 children could bring their swimming kit to school just in case rain stops play again!

After the Quad Kids event there will be a rounder's match at 4pm so the children taking part in this will be able to stay and be supervised until the start. Parents will then need to collect their children from the King's playing field around 5pm.

Also on Monday afternoon is the Eco Champions Conference which will be taking part in the village hall from 1.30pm. This involves Ash Class. As you know Payhembury won last year so the pressure is on for Miss Stoneman!

On Thursday Willow and Ash Class will be going to The Eden Project. Please can all children be in Willow class at 7.50am as the coach will be leaving at 8am. Also on that day the year 5 children will be taking part in a Worship Day at Ottery St. Mary Church with Reverend Cate. The children will leave at 9am and return by 3.30pm.

On Friday there will be a Kid's Café in the village hall from 3pm. Oak Class will be hosting so any cake/biscuit donations will be much appreciated.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Hammett

Star of the Week - Well Done To....

Willow Reception - Oliver Wilson Year 1 - Theo Hammond

Ash Class Year 2 - Archie Morris Year 3 - William Brainch

Oak Class Year 4 - Jessica Morris Year 5 - Aidan Rogers Year 6 - Sam Gammon

Notices to Parents

Lost Property - Several children have lost their named school jumpers. Please can you all check your jumpers to see whether you have taken someone else's by mistake. This seems to have been quite a problem in Willow Class.

Eden Trip - The children will need to be in school for 7.50am next Thursday as the coach will be leaving at 8am. The coach is planning to return to school by 5pm that evening. Please make sure you have returned your signed permission form and returned it along with payment to school. Unfortunately if we don't have your form you won't be able to go along.

Mealtime Assistant - We are looking for a meal time assistant to join our friendly and supportive team. This role is vital in ensuring our children enjoy positive lunchtimes. **Days:** Monday to Friday inclusive. **Hours:** 11.45am - 1pm. If you think you may be interested in the post and would like to talk to someone about the role please contact our school office on 01404 841291.

Swimming - Next week Year 4 will be swimming on Monday (please can Yrs 5/6 bring their swimming kit just in case) and Ash/Willow Class will be swimming on Wednesday. Please bring in a suitable swimming costume, a towel and goggles if required in a named bag. If your child has long hair please make sure they bring a swimming hat. Swimming hats are available to buy from the office at a cost of 35p.

Kid's Café - There will be a Kid's Café next Friday 26th May. Oak Class will be hosting so any cake/biscuit donations from Oak Class will be much appreciated.

East Devon Tag Rugby Finals - Well done to Ottery St. Mary and Payhembury on representing the cluster at The East Devon Tag Rugby Finals held at King's on 26th April. Ottery St. Mary progressed to the quarter-finals after finishing 2nd in their group. They met in form Brixington who just missed out on a place in the final losing 6-5 to Sidmouth in the semi-final. Payhembury are awarded our LLC Spirit of the Games award for their self-belief and determination after making great progress throughout the competition. They were the highest try scoring team of all 4th place group finishers with 12 tries and finished the competition with a closely contested draw against All Saints from Axminster. Heather Little

Letters sent home this week

- Yrs 5/6 Go Ride Cycling Event @ Kings 4.15 - 5.30pm
- Yrs 5 & 6 Quad Kids Athletics Event @ Kings Letter
- Yrs 5 & 6 Rounder's Match @ Kings Letter
- Yr 5 Ottery Church Day Letter

Dates for the Diary

2016/17 Academic Year

- 22nd May - Yrs 5/6 Quad Kids Athletics - 11.50 - 3.30pm
Eco Champions Conference for Yrs 2/3 @ Payhembury Village Hall pm
Yrs 5/6 Rounder's Match @ Kings School Field 4-5pm
- 24th May - Full Governor's meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
- 25th May - Willow/Ash Classes to The Eden Project 8am - 5pm
Year 5 OSM Church Day 9.30 - 3pm
- 26th May - Kid's Café from 3pm
- 29th-2nd June - Half Term
- 5th June - Non-Pupil Day
- 8th June - General Election - No Village Hall
- 12th June - Years 3/4 Quad Kids Athletics 12-3pm
- 14th June - Governor's Teaching & Learning Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
- 20th June - Yrs 5/6 Go Ride Cycling Event @ Kings 4.15 - 5.30pm
- 21st June - Sports Day
- 22nd June - Oak Class Trip
- 23rd June - Reserve Day for Sports Day if cancelled on 21st June
- 28th June - Year 6 Lifeskills - Donkey Sanctuary leaving 8.30am return by 1pm
Governor's Resources meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
- 30th June - Yr 6 - Visit from King's Drama Group re. transition 9.30am
- 5th July - Year 6 Transition afternoon Village Hall 1-30pm
Full Governor's meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
- 6th July - Payhembury & Awliscombe Schools Performance at The Beehive, Honiton
- 10th - 14th July - Year 6 Transition week at The King's School
- 21st July - Last day of Term

2017/18 Academic Year

- 4/5/6th September - Non-Pupil Days
- 7th September - **First day of Term for pupils**
- 23rd-27th October - Half Term
- 21st December - Last day of Term
- 8th January - First day of Term
- 12th - 16th Feb - Half Term
- 29th March - Last day of Term
- 16th April - First day of Term

Pre-School

As we approach the final half term for some of our Pre-schoolers before they begin Reception in September, I would like to say how well the children have been doing with their letters and sounds and early mark marking. Well done to all our Pre-schoolers.

Mrs George

Governors

Having just been elected as a churchwarden at St Michael's, Awliscombe I have been thinking more than usual about the relationship each of our Fort Federation schools has with its local church. Every Sunday, there are prayers for the schools and those who work in them, and at every PCC

meeting the school (or the Federation) is automatically an agenda item. That reflects the fact that the church community - and by extension the wider village community - feels a sense of responsibility for, and pride in, 'their' school and, increasingly, its sister school over the hill. For the children of course, regular services in their neighbouring church are part of weekly school life; for some that extends to the occasional Sunday service where they bring a welcome liveliness to the proceedings. For another great example of church and school working together, come along to the Awliscombe & Weston Fete on 10 June - an important church fund-raiser and much-loved village event - to join the 'best crown' competition, the creative preparation for which will be done in class (this is not intended to exclude those who no longer attend school, but they may be judged by a tougher standard!)

Nick Thwaites

News From St. Mary's Church Payhembury

On Sunday there will be a Parish Communion Service at 9:30, a warm welcome to all. In the evening at 6:00 at St Andrew's Feniton there will be Worship and praise.



A thought:

If there are a thousand steps between us and God, he will take all but one. He will leave the final one for us. The choice is ours.

Max Lucado

Community News

Payhembury Tennis Club

[Payhembury](#) Tennis Club is one of the few sporting organisations in the village and has a single tarmac court situated in the playing fields. It has a history going back 30 years when the court used to be grass. In modern times the tennis club has recently been successful in a bid to improve the facilities and surface.

People wanting to play on the court should use the booking sheets that are held at [Payhembury Provisions](#) and there is a small charge for non-members. Membership forms can also be obtained on line, at the Payhembury Village Website, printed, filled in and returned with the relevant payment in cheque form if possible made out to Payhembury Tennis Club to 9 Hillside Payhembury EX14 3HB.

Annual fees are due in April £30.00 for a family £20.00 for a couple £15.00 for a single £10.00 for a junior, OAP or student. We feel these prices are very good value as they give members free access to the court all year. And becoming a member enables the court to remain well maintained.

Our Committee:

Jane Wood Chairperson

Jason Wood Secretary

Anne Lush Treasurer

Contact 01404 841843 for details on the club.

We are only a small committee and anyone who would like to get involved please get in touch.

COMMUNITY, CAKE & COFFEE MORNING

*** Saturday 20th May, 10.00 – 12.00**

Payhembury Parish Hall

- * By popular demand Payhembury Parish Council is holding its second Community Fair and would love to see you all there!**
- * The morning will include displays from village clubs, local charities, details of Parish Council plans and much more.**
- * Come and enjoy a relaxed, community event with delicious refreshments.**

Everyone welcome!!!!!!

