



PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 6 – 13th October 2017
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The next few days

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| Monday 16 th October | - | Parent's Evening 3.45 - 6pm |
| Tuesday 17 th October | - | Yrs 5/6 Football League @ OSM Primary School 4-5.15pm |
| Wednesday 18 th October | - | Swimming - Beech Class 1.30pm/KS1 Sports Club 3.30 - 4.30pm
Pre-School parent interviews 1-3pm /Parent's Evening 5-7pm
Governor's Meeting (Teaching & Learning) 6pm @ Payhembury |
| Thursday 19 th October | - | Pre-School parent interviews 1-3pm/KS2 Football Club 3.30 - 4.30pm |
| Friday 20 th October | - | Kid's Café from 3pm (Oak Class to host) |
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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Mrs Hammett, Mrs Morris and Mr Bladon are all away from school attending a 2 day DAPH conference so unfortunately are not around to include their usual message in this week's newsletter. Instead I am going to give it my best attempt....

Robins and Ash Class went off for the day to Dunster Castle on Monday. The children had a fantastic time and have told me that the best bit of the day was going into the dungeon. I have it on good authority from Angus that they found the skeleton of a 7 foot man! A big thank you to all of the parents that gave up their time to help out on this trip as, without that support, we would not be able to make these days happen.

On Tuesday Cygnets and Swans spent the afternoon with Willow Class at Payhembury exploring the wild area in search of alien underpants! The children have informed me that lots were found....They continued to have a lovely time toasting marshmallows around the campfire and making new friends. I did pop down at one point and it was lovely to see the children out enjoying themselves together.

Finally the meetings for the Year 5 & 6 residential were held this week. Hopefully any questions that you had were answered but if anyone would like further information please contact the school office and we will be happy to assist where possible.

Another lovely week across the FORT federation and now we hope that you and your families enjoy a restful and relaxing weekend.

Vanessa Jarrett
Senior Administrator

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

<u>Willow Class</u>	Pre-School	- Nathan Dye	Reception	- Jayden Rand
<u>Ash Class</u>	Year 1	- Arwen Springall	Year 2	- Angus Forsythe
<u>Beech Class</u>	Year 3	- James Pitts	Year 4	- Amaya Duggan-Jones
<u>Oak Class</u>	Year 5	- Silvester McFadden	Year 6	- Olivia Soutar

Notices to Parents

Projects: Reminder! The deadline for Beech class projects is Friday 19th October and for Oak Class it is Monday 16th October. Please bring all your projects in on those days.

Were you an evacuee? Do you remember WW2? - Oak class are learning about WW2 from a child's perspective. If you have memories of the war and you are able to come into school to answer questions from the children about your memories and experiences then please let Mrs Gunningham know.

Swimming - Beech class will be swimming next Wednesday afternoon. There will be no more swimming after half term, this should resume after Easter.

Clubs - The only clubs running next week will be KS1 Sports Club on Wednesday and KS2 football club on Thursday.

Applying for Secondary School Places - Letters have been sent home to year 6 children inviting parents to apply for their secondary school place for 2018. The timescale for completing this is between 1st September until 31st October 2017.

Letters sent home this week

- Primary Times
- School meal order forms and menu
- Breakfast Club forms

Dates for the Diary

2017/18 Academic Year

- 16th October - Parent's Evening 3.45 - 6pm
- 17th October - Yrs 5/6 Football League match @OSM Primary School 4-5.15pm
- 18th October - Parent's Evening 5-7pm
Governor's Meeting (Teaching & Learning) 6pm @ Payhembury
- 20th October - Kid's Café (Oak Class to host)
- 23rd-27th October - Half Term
- 1st November - Deadline for the Shoe Box Appeal
- Resources/Pay & Performance Committee Gov's meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
- 7th November - This Girl Can Club @ Kings 4-5pm
- 14th November - This Girl Can Club @ Kings 4-5pm
- 15th November - School Photos
- 20th November - Flu vaccinations for R,1,2,3 & 4 children who requested it
- 21st November - This Girl Can Club @ Kings 4-5pm
- 29th November - Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
- 2nd December - Christmas Fayre 4-7pm
- 13th December - Exeter Phoenix Theatre Trip 10am
- 15th December - Christmas Jumper Day

20 th December	- Christmas Lunch
21 st December	- Last day of Term
8 th January	- First day of Term
24 th January	- Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
7 th February	- Resources Committee Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
12 th - 16 th Feb	- Half Term
21 st February	- Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
7 th March	- Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
28 th March	- Resources Committee Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
29 th March	- Last day of Term
16 th April	- First day of Term
18 th April	- Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
2 nd May	- Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
16 th May	- Resources Committee Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
28 th May - 1 st June	- Half Term
4 th June	- Non-Pupil Day
6 th June	- Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
20 th June	- Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
4 th July	- Resources Committee Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
18 th July	- Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
24 th July	- End of Term

Pre-School

Thank you for the slips for parent interviews next week. If you haven't returned your slip and you would like a slot please return your form to either Mrs George or the school office.

Please make sure you have your wellington boots in school as they will be needed throughout the week.

News From St. Mary's Church Payhembury



On Sunday at 9:30 there will be an All Ages Service, a change from our usual Communion Service- that will be next week. There will be Bacon Butties to enjoy before the Service starts, so come a little earlier.

A thought:

Friends are angels who lift our feet when our own wings have trouble remembering how to fly.

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Friends of Payhembury School

Our aim is to support the school by raising money for the 'extras' which otherwise would not be provided, and through this enhancing our children's experiences.

What does FOPS spend our hard-earned money on?

Parents, carers, local residents and businesses are always very generous helping FOPS raise money for the school. In the last academic year (September 2016 - July 2017), we gave over £900 to the school. The majority of this was towards trips and events outside of the classrooms although we also bought end of term prizes, Y6 leavers hoodies and provided refreshments at some school events. Since September 2017, and at the school's request we have provided the following:

Contribution to trips and events for the academic year	£1,000
End of term prizes for teachers to allocate (Autumn term) (£80 will also be given for the Spring & Summer terms)	£80
Art equipment	£400

What is FOPS fundraising for now?

Classroom equipment! The recent expansion from 3 to 4 classes is very exciting and the school has asked FOPS to contribute to kit the classrooms out to a high standard. The school would like FOPS to raise money for more art equipment, as they would like to provide each class with its very own personalised art cupboard to extend their existing provision for art.

This will be our focus for the Autumn and Spring terms and we aim to raise between £1,500 - £2,000 for the classrooms.

We also have £2,772 ring fenced

A little while ago some of our bravest parents skydived to raise money for an outdoors classroom / tepee. The money they raised and the proceeds from some events held during 2016 - £2,772 - is currently ring fenced in the FOPS bank account.

The tepee was requested by the school before the build and we are currently in discussions about what is the best way to spend this substantial amount of money to ensure maximum gain for the children.

Thank you to Payhembury Provisions

Every year the local shop - Payhembury Provisions - invites local groups to apply for grants. This application process has recently taken place and we had some great news. FOPS had requested help paying for some new 'Smart Packs' for Beech and Oak classes and Payhembury Provisions have kindly donated the whole amount - £400! (Smart Packs are bags which hang on the back of chairs).

Payhembury Provisions has a track record of supporting the school through FOPS so please continue to show your support to the shop.

Kids Café - Friday 20th October

Always a great way to kick start the holidays, our first Kids Café of the school year returns on Friday 20th October, from 3pm.

Oak Class will be hosting so, as ever, we would much appreciate any offerings to the tea table from Oak Class parents. Please drop them into the office on Friday morning, or bring along to the Parish Hall from 3pm.

Community News

The King's School presents *The Hound of the Baskervilles* an original adaptation of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's book (see attached flyer). **Performances on 18th, 19th and 20th October.** A local tale of suspense and drama set on Dartmoor, brought to you through physical theatre by pupils from year 7-13. There will be live music, excellent entertainment and the PTFA are providing refreshments. Expect a few surprises along the way.

If you would like to purchase tickets please contact our finance office on 01404 812982 or alternatively come to reception.

KS Musical Plays presents **MUMMY MIA!** @ The Beehive, Honiton on Monday 23 October & Tuesday 24 October 2017, 10 – 4 (Performance 3.30 on Tuesday)

No, it's not ABBA with a spelling mistake...! It's a specially created musical play for 7-11 year olds set on the banks of the River Nile in Ancient Egypt 5000 years ago.. Pyramids and pharaohs.. boats that sail through the sky and the underworld... and lots of mummies (dead and alive..!) – they're all here in a show full of great songs, dramatic drama & cool choreography.. - and there's a chance to take part in a 2-day workshop and performance **THIS HALF TERM** at The Beehive, Honiton!

MUMMY MIA! is brought to you by KS Musical Plays, which has been creating exciting new original musical shows for young people in schools, theatres and arts centres across the south west for the past 7 years – including lots of schools in and around Honiton & Exeter

Ages: 7 – 11 Cost: £40

Contact Peter Kyrke-Smith to find out more or book a place e: music@kyrke-smith.eclipse.co.uk

Theatre Kids presents *Sweeny Todd* @ The Beehive on **Saturday November 25th at 1.45pm.** Suitable for all ages and the show is free. There will be several children from Payhembury Primary School taking part so please come along.