



PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 19 – 15th February 2019
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The next few days

Monday 25th February - PAW cup Tag Rugby, Beech Class @ Awliscombe
Tuesday 26th February - Quicksticks Hockey, 10 Oak Class pupils @ Kings
Wednesday 27th February - Church @ 9.15., Balance Bikeability Reception
Thursday 28th February - Balance Bikeability, Reception
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Message from the Executive Headteacher

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On Tuesday Brad Murray visited for the day and observed teachers and the learning across the school. He carried out work scrutiny of the children's books alongside Mr Bladon and I am delighted to say he was very impressed with what he saw.

Year 3 and 4 took part in Bikeability. For some of the children it was their first experience of bike ability and it was a real exciting challenge.

Next week is half term - phew! I think we are really ready for a break.

When we return we have a busy week planned. A group of Oak class pupils will be taking part in the quicksticks competition at Kings on Tuesday 26th. Then an exciting new activity is taking place on the playground on Wednesday Thursday and Friday. Balance bike ability for Willow class. This is a new opportunity for our children and all the bikes are provided to the children for the sessions that will be taking place.

A school disco is booked for Thursday 28th February; FOPS are running that for the children. Another firm favourite of the children!

Hope you all have a lovely break and see you on our return.

Best wishes,

Penny Hammett

F.O.P.S

FOPS News

Attached with this newsletter are 2 posters advertising our forthcoming events - a school disco on Thursday 28 February and a family bingo on Saturday 30 March.

We have recently given the school go ahead to spend £1,000 on new library books and hopefully these will start arriving in the next few weeks. Our new target is to raise an eye watering £7,500 for new laptops - eek!! This is going to be a Grand Appeal and if you would like to get involved with it (or donate to it) please speak to George or Anita.

Wild Area Clear Ups

We have set 2 dates in the diary for a wild area clear up and if you could come along, armed with your best equipment, to help out we would be really grateful. It's a bit of a spring cut back, making the paths in the wild area safer for the children and generally getting the outdoors areas ready for the children to start enjoying. The dates are **Sunday, 3rd March from 11am** and **Sunday, 12th May from 10am**.

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

Willow Class Pre-school - Marley Ashworth **Reception** - Oliver Jones

Ash Class Year 1 - Sebastian Year 2 - Henry

Beech Class Year 3 - Alice Year 4 - Evie

Oak Class Year 5 - Sam Year 6 - Sophie

Notices to Parents

Sports News:

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Music Seeds - A big thanks to all the children who attended a charity concert organised by Leah Stonex at the Beehive last Saturday. The children did the school proud and helped to raise £400 for a local charity, Biff's Battle.

Thelma Hulbert GalleryWorkshop - Join us at THG in Honiton for a family workshop this Half Term

'Painting with Felt'

Come and find out how you can paint with felt with accomplished textile artist Gill Burbidge. Book onto one of four 45 minute sessions: 11am, 12noon, 1pm, 2pm

Each slot will offer the opportunity to create a felted picture using finest coloured Merino and local hand dyed fleece, embellishing with silk and cotton fibres and threads. The effect is almost as though you are painting with the textiles.

Suitable for all ages and abilities. £4 per participant.

Booking essential - call 01404 45006 / info@thelmahulbert.com

Thelma Hulbert Gallery (THG), Dowell Street, Honiton EX14 1LX www.thelmahulbert.com

Please also see Flyer attached.

Empty milk bottles required - Willow class are in need of clean, empty plastic 4 pint milk bottles with lids please.

Letters sent home this week

- Beech Class PAW Tag Rugby event on 25th February
- Yoga Club Letter (KS2)
- After School Club Letter

Emails sent this week

- After school & breakfast Club forms
- Activity Club form

Dates for the Diary

2018/19 Academic Year

15 th Feb 2019	- Kidz Café 3.15 - 4.00 in the Village Hall
18 th - 22 nd Feb 2019	- Half term
25 th Feb 2019	- PAW Cup Tag Rugby, Beech class
26 th Feb 2019	- East Devon Quicksticks Hockey tournament, Oak
26 th Feb 2019	- Balance Bikeability, Reception
27 th Feb 2019	- Balance Bikeability, Reception
28 th Feb 2019	- Balance Bikeability
28 th Feb	- FOPS Disco
3 rd March	- Wild area prune and clear up
6 th March 2019	- East Devon Netball finals (Premiership Team)
12 th March 2019	- TAG Rugby, Beech Class @ The Kings School
26 th March 2019	- Orienteering, Beech Class @ Killerton
30 th March	- Easter Bingo
5 th April 2019	- Last day of term
23 rd April 2019	- First day of term
12 th May	- Wild area prune and clear up
27 th - 31 st May 2019	- Half term
3 rd June 2019	- Non pupil day
15 th June	- Summer Fair
19 th July 2019	- Last day of term
22 nd & 23 rd Jul 2019	- Non pupil days

2019/20 Academic Year

2 nd -3 rd September 2019	- Non pupil days
4 th September 2019	- First day of term
21 st - 28 th October 2019	- Half term

29 th October 2019	- Non pupil day
30 th October 2019	- First day back after half term for pupils
20 th December 2019	- Last day of term
6 th January 2020	- First day of term
17 th -21 st February 2020	- Half term
27 th March 2020	- Last day of term
13 th April 2020	- Bank Holiday
14 th April 2020	- First day of term
4 th May 2020	- Bank Holiday
25 th -29 th May 2020	- Half term
1 st - 2 nd June 2020	- Non pupil days
22 nd July 2020	- Last day of term

News From St. Mary's Church Payhembury



On Sunday there will be Parish Communion at 9:30. In the evening there will be Worship and Praise at St. Andrew's Feniton. A warm welcome to all.

A thought: A good neighbour doubles the value of a house. German proverb

Community News
