



PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 2 – 15th September 2017
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The next few days

- Monday 18th September - Arts & Craft/Netball Clubs 3.30 - 4.30pm
Beech Class Expectation Talk to Parents 3.45-4.15pm
Oak Class Expectation Talk to Parents 4.20 - 4.50pm
- Tuesday 19th September - Willow Class Expectation Talk to Parents 3.45-4.15pm
Ash Class Expectation Talk to Parents 4.20 - 4.50pm
- Wednesday 20th September - Swimming - **Beech Class**
Scratch Club 3.30 - 4.30pm
- Thursday 21st September - Football Club 3.30 - 4.30pm
King's Open Evening 6-8pm (Yr 5 & 6)
- Friday 22nd September - Deadline for Flu vaccination forms to be returned (R,1,2,3&4)

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Another busy week and everyone is back to the hard work. As I walk around the classes the children just seem so settled.

The building work has entered its last stages now but I am sure it still looks a way off yet. I am promised the new classroom will be ready next week and the last sections of the landscaping will be taking place. I am pleased to confirm that we will be having a new boundary fence along the side of the playground joining the parish hall. It will now have a locked gate to allow vehicle access e.g. a fire engine and a pedestrian gate for all other times. It will be the finishing touches to the building project; a date hasn't been set yet for that to be completed.

We had a full governing body meeting this week and we confirmed the Chair and vice Chair of governors for the next 12 months. Emily Meek has been re-elected as Chair and Elaine Anning has stepped up to Vice Chair. It was a sad night as we said goodbye to Rev Cate on the governing body. Cate has been such an amazing governor, especially as she was our Chair of Governors for 6 years. So much of her time and energy has been lovingly poured into our school and she really will be very hard to replace. We will be having a special leaving tea party for her after the harvest festival but more details about that to follow.

We have our Class Expectation talks on Monday and Tuesday afternoons; Beech Class at 3.45-4.15pm and Oak class at 4.20-4.50pm on Monday. Willow Class at 3.45-4.15pm and Ash Class at 4.20-4.5-pm on Tuesday afternoon. Please come along as they will give you a clear idea of what is in store for the year ahead. You are welcome to bring your child along to the talk too.

I just wanted to remind you about European Languages Day on Tuesday 26th September. Madame Shackleton has encouraged the children to dress up if they would like to. I know she has a number of things planned for them (more details in the newsletter).

Have a great weekend and I will see you all on Monday,

With kind regards,

Mrs Hammett

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

<u>Willow Clas</u>	Reception	- Lochlan Forsythe	
<u>Ash Class</u>	Year 1	- Oliver Wilson	Year 2 - Theo Hammond
<u>Beech Class</u>	Year 3	- Emma Williams	Year 4 - Matthew Currey
<u>Oak Class</u>	Year 5	- George Holding	Year 6 - Laura Campbell

Notices to Parents

New Starters - Well done for completing your first week at school. All the children have had a brilliant time and worked hard to become part of Willow Class.

Head Lice - Unfortunately we have a few cases of head lice reported throughout the school. Please make sure you check your child's hair and treat accordingly. Many thanks.

Swimming - Swimming will start again next **Wednesday 20th September** for Beech Class.

Clubs - Clubs start back next week. Confirmation forms have been sent home today. Please note **KS1 Sports Club** with Heather Little will not start until Wednesday 27th September and it will run for 4 weeks which includes Wednesday 18th October. **Scratch Club** will not be running during the last week (w/c 9th October). **Arts & Craft Club** - please make sure you have an old art apron/t-shirt as you will be using paint this week!

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.

Contact Information Packs - Reminder: please make sure you return all your contact/information packs to the office as soon as possible. It is very important we have all current, up-to-date contact details. The collection of children forms are very important for safeguarding purposes so please complete and return to school as soon as possible.

Flu Vaccination forms for R, 1,2,3 & 4 - The deadline for returning these forms is **Friday 22nd September 2017**. If you would like your child to be immunised but haven't returned your form by this date you will need to make arrangements yourself.

Cool Milk - All children up until their 5th birthday are entitled to free school milk. Children over five are entitled to subsidised milk. If you would like to register your child please contact Cool Milk at registrations@coolmilk.com or telephone 0800 142 2972. Details are available on their website www.coolmilk.com. If you require any other information please come and ask in the office.

School Uniform - Please make sure children wear either plain black, white or grey socks with their school uniform and please make sure ALL uniform/belongings are clearly named.

All Classes - Please can everyone bring in an apron/old shirt/t-shirt for use in art lessons

throughout the year?

Coats - Please could we remind children to bring in their coats every day? The weather can change very quickly.

Letters sent home this week

- Document Packs
 - Clubs Letter & reply forms Curriculum Evening Letters
 - King's Open Evening Letter (Years 5 & 6)
 - Oak Class London Trip Letter
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European Day of Languages Tuesday 26th September

On **Tuesday 26th September** we would like to invite the children help to celebrate European Day of Languages by coming to school dressed in another country's traditional costume. This may be European or non-European. We shall enjoy a French breakfast in the playground and activities during the day to raise awareness of our wonderful world's rich and diverse linguistic culture.

Dates for the Diary

2017/18 Academic Year

- 12th September - This Girl Can Club @ Kings 4-5pm
- 18th September - Beech Class Talk to Parents 3.45 - 4.15pm
- Oak Class Talk to Parents 4.20 - 4.50pm
- 19th September - Willow Class Talk to Parents 3.45 - 4.15pm
- Ash Class Talk to Parents 4.20 - 4.50pm
- This Girl Can Club @ Kings 4-5pm
- 21st September - The King's School Open Evening 6-8pm - Yrs 5 & 6
- 22nd September - Parent tours of The King's School 9.45am, 11.15am and 2.30pm .
- 23rd September - Games Evening @ Feniton Sports & Social Club 5pm onwards
- 25th September - High Five Netball Tournament Yrs 5&6 @ Kings 12-3.30pm
- 26th September - European Day of Languages
- Wildlife Champions Conference @ Seaton Jurassic Beech Class
- Cross Country Challenge @ Kings 4-5.30pm Yrs 3/4/5/6
- 27th September - Oak Class Trip to The Imperial War Museum, London
- 2nd October - Harvest Festival Service 2.30pm Church
- 23rd-27th October - Half Term
- 7th November - This Girl Can Club @ Kings 4-5pm
- 14th November - This Girl Can Club @ Kings 4-5pm
- 15th November - School Photos
- 21st November - This Girl Can Club @ Kings 4-5pm
- 13th December - Theatre Trip
- 20th December - Christmas Lunch

21 st December	- Last day of Term
8 th January	- First day of Term
12 th - 16 th Feb	- Half Term
29 th March	- Last day of Term
16 th April	- First day of Term
28 th May - 1 st June	- Half Term
4 th June	- Non-Pupil Day
24 th July	- End of Term

Pre-School

Well done to all our new Pre-School children for completing their first week. They have all done very well and are settling in nicely.

News From St. Mary's Church Payhembury



On Sunday there will be a Parish Communion Service at 9:30. In the evening at 6.00 there will be Worship and praise at St Andrews Feniton.

A thought:

The snowflake is one of nature's most fragile things, but just look at what they can do when they stick together.

F.O.P.S



FOPS (Friends of Payhembury School) is the school PTA. We're a group of mums (most of whom work, some are full-time mums) who help raise money for the school and also try to support it to give our children the best opportunities possible.

Once a year we have an annual meeting to review activity and expenditure for the previous year. This is scheduled for Monday 18th September at 7.30pm in the pub. We will also plan what we're going to raise money for this academic year. After the AGM we will have a normal planning meeting.

If you're interested to learn more about us and perhaps to get involved, please do come along on Monday.

Dinner Rota - Help Needed!

The school has asked us to set up a dinner rota as they are currently one member of staff short. Ideally they need daily cover from 11.45 - 1.30 and we would like to set up a rolling weekly or fortnightly rota to share this work out. You will be supervised but will need a current DBS (the school will do this).

If you can help please let Kirsten Brauer or George (Georgina) Burton know. If you don't know who we are yet, please speak to Anne in the office and she'll forward a message to us.

Open Day – Exeter Children’s Orchestra (ECO) – Saturday 16th September

Anybody can come along and join in from 10am – 12pm. Bring your instruments with you and a music stand is always helpful!

We also have a separate junior orchestra from 11am – 12pm , so it would be great to also see those not as confident come along and join in too. For those who are more experienced and high up their grades we have a Youth Orchester.

We cater for recorders, flutes, clarinets, Oboes, Saxophones (all kinds), Bassoons, Trumpets and Cornets, Tenor Horns, Baritone Horns, French Horns, Trombones, (Bass or Treble Clef), Tubas, Violins, Cellos, String Bases (including bass guitars) and Percussionists. We’d even be happy to see harpists!

We will be serving refreshments and we also run a tuck shop!

We have a facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/exeterchildrensorchestra/>