



PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 9 – 16th November 2018
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The next few days

Monday 19th November -

Tuesday 20th November -

Wednesday 21st November - Flu Vaccinations 1.30pm / Book fair 3.30pm in Ash class

Thursday 22nd November - Book fair 3.30pm in Ash class

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Message from the Executive Headteacher

Dear Parents

It has been another quiet week. On Monday 9 children from Oak class had an additional opportunity to attend a sports festival at the Kings school with a focus on alternative sporting activities. The events aim was to provide the children with sporting situations they may not have previously experienced such as indoor rowing, archery, crazy catch and new age curling.

All the pupils who attended from surrounding schools were tasked with approaching the new activities with determination and a 'Can Do' attitude - and they certainly did!!! We came away with several personal achievements for excellence, passion and teamwork; but equally as important was the self-belief and confidence that developed once they had given the activities a go. Hopefully something the children can apply to other challenges in life beyond sports. I heard from the children that they loved the afternoon and felt they returned to school with a growing confidence.

Our school photos went well this year. Luckily we had the photographer called Jane and she is so familiar with our two schools she makes it a very easy and smooth experience. I need to consider what photographs we have in summer. I know they are quite expensive and not everyone wants whole school so I am going to put out a short feedback for so that you can guide me in what the majority would like for whole group photos.

Next week seems very quiet again; we are embracing the calm before the arrival of Christmas.

The book People are arriving in school on Wednesday and books will be available to view and purchase in Ash class from 3.30pm.

On Thursday 22nd November it is film night!! It starts at 5.30pm and finishes at 7pm. More details in the FOPS section and another non uniform day on Friday 23rd November in aid of donations towards the Christmas Fayre.

I hope you enjoy Children in Need today, spots and stripes! You never know quite how the children will dress on these days.

Have a lovely weekend,

Penny Hammett

F.O.P.S

Film Night - Thursday 22nd November, 5.30pm - 7.00pm

Don't forget our next film night is this coming Thursday. Once again, we will be showing 2 separate films.

KS1: The Secret Life of Pets (U)

KS2: Mr Popper's Penguins (PG)

£3 per child to include popcorn. Children are welcome to come in pyjamas & onesies!

Christmas Fair - please look out for the Christmas Fair letters that have come home this week in school bags,

Urgent - any donations you can give for the ever popular **Teddy Tombola** would be gratefully received. If you could drop your pre-loved teddies into the school office *as soon as possible*, the FOPS team can then give them all a wash & blow dry before the Christmas Fair.

Remember the Mufti Day next Friday 23rd November, when we will be collecting donations for the Fair. Each class has a different suggested donation, so please have a look at the letter sent home or ask the office.

As ever, if anyone feels they can volunteer for an hour or so at the Fair, please let George or Anita know. The more the merrier!

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

Willow Class Pre-school - Elizabeth Elsom Reception - Nathan Dye

Ash Class Year 1 - Harvey Hammond Year 2 - Harvey Rand

Beech Class Year 3 - Jodie Wright Year 4 - Samuel Rogers

Oak Class Year 5 - Oliver Burton Year 6 - Rose Kilbride

Notices to Parents

Peanut Allergy - A very important message to all parents. We must stress that products containing peanuts are not permitted at school. We have children with peanut allergies, one having a life threatening condition so it is absolutely vital that we have a strict policy in place and that we all adhere to it. We appreciate your understanding and co-operation on this matter.

Book Fair - Leaflets have been sent out today with information about the book fair which starts next Wednesday. Parents are invited to browse and purchase books from 3.30 in Ash Class. The books will be available to view until the following Tuesday. We hope you can support this as each book you purchase helps our school obtain free books for the library! You can pick up some fantastic bargains - ideal for Christmas presents!

Flu Vaccinations - A reminder that vaccinations will take place on Wednesday 21st November for children in reception to year 5. You should have received an email with information regarding flu immunisation and a link to complete a consent form. If you have not received this and would like your child/children to have a vaccination can you please pop into the office or email the office (payhembury@fort.devon.sch) as soon as possible so we can email you back with the link.

School Photo's - The deadline for photo orders is Friday 23rd November so please make sure you bring your orders in to school by Thursday 22nd November. Orders placed after this date will not be back in time for Christmas. Orders can also be made on-line, details of which can be found on the order forms.

Wool Please! - Ash class would be very grateful if you are able to donate balls of wool (any colour) over the next few weeks. Please see Miss Stoneman or pop into the office if you can help.

Letter/emails sent this week

- Christmas Fayre
- Book Fair Leaflet
- Kings School Indoor Athletics Festival (Oak class)

Dates for the Diary

2018/19 Academic Year

21 st November	- Flu vaccinations 1.30pm
21 st November	- Book fair starts from 3.30 in Ash Class
1 st December	- Christmas Fayre
13 th December	- Christmas Play
14 th December	- Christmas Jumper Day / Phoenix theatre visit
17 th December	- KS2 Christmas Party
18 th December	- Christmas Lunch
18 th December	- KS1 Christmas Party
19 th December	- Carol Concert 5pm in the church, all welcome
21 st December	- Last Day of Term
7 th January 2019	- First Day of the Spring Term

18 th - 22 nd Feb	- Half Term
5 th April	- Last Day of Term
23 rd April	- First Day of Term
27 th - 31 st May	- Half Term
3 rd June	- Non-Pupil Day
19 th July	- Last Day of Term
22 nd & 23 rd July	- Non-Pupil Days

News From St. Mary's Church Payhembury

On Sunday at 9:30 there will be Parish Communion. At Feniton in the evening at 6:00 there will be Worship and Praise. A warm welcome to all.

A thought:

More things are wrought by prayer than the world dreams of.

Alfred Tennyson

Community News

KIDS MATTER - Join us to chat about how to build strong families and help kids do their best in life. A friendly meet-up for anyone with children aged 0 - 10 years. For more information please talk to Nicola Hart or Penny Hammett
