



PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 10 –17th November 2017
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The next few days

- Monday 20th November - Flu Vaccinations am / 12pm Oak Class Sportshall Athletics @ Kings Craft/Netball Clubs 3.30 - 4.30pm
- Tuesday 21st November - Governor's Resources Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
- Wednesday 22nd November - Scratch Club 3.30 - 4.30pm
- Thursday 23rd November -
- Friday 24th November - Non-Uniform Day - Christmas Fayre donations
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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

This week has whizzed past and this has signalled the approach of Christmas. It is at this point in the term that it all starts to get hectic. I really love the build up to Christmas but it's fitting everything in that's hard.

This week our children's workshops from the CAPs team went really well. I hope the children have come home and discussed with you all they had learnt from the three sessions. We hope they have learnt some valuable life skills that will empower them in the future.

Next week children in Reception, Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 who requested it will have their flu vaccinations. Let's hope next year all our children will qualify for the offer.

Also on Monday Oak class will be taking part in the Sports hall athletics at Kings. It's a truly skilled job to get that many children in the hall taking part in so many activities. Mrs Little does a fantastic job with the learning community.

I bought my Christmas jumper yesterday. Last year I forgot to get organised but I was determined not to fail again this year. Just a quick reminder Christmas Jumper day will take place on Friday 15th December and we are raising funds for Save the Children.

I am delighted to announce that the 'Nativity in the barn' is back this year. Rob Leach has kindly agreed for us to use the barn again. I know it is a mammoth task for the teachers but it really is the best way to celebrate our approaching festival. The date for the Nativity is Thursday 14th December at 2pm and 5pm.

I want to thank our wonderful FOPS team who have been working exceptionally hard this term to support the school in so many ways. I know they are coming in to support lunchtimes, help rebuild the library and planning and preparing the Christmas Fayre. I hope you have popped the date of the fayre into your diary. FOPs have designed a new format this year. There will be lots of changes.

I was hoping to time the formal opening of the new building at the same time as the fayre. However I have decided to postpone the opening as I wanted Cate Edmonds to be there and she is currently quite poorly at the moment. It wouldn't be right without her so we will try for a date early in the New Year. We all send our love to Cate for a speedy recovery.

Mrs Lush has tried to ensure all the dates for the coming few months are included on the newsletter. I hope you will be able to join us for as many as you can.

Have a great weekend, Mrs Hammett

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

<u>Willow Class</u>	Pre-School	- Ella Mayne	Reception	- Ruari Forsythe
<u>Ash Class</u>	Year 1	- John Buxton	Year 2	- Oliver Holding
<u>Beech Class</u>	Year 3	- James Pitts	Year 4	- Matthew Currey
<u>Oak Class</u>	Year 5	- Tabitha Boland-Davies	Year 6	- Toby Morris

Notices to Parents

Admission to Primary School 2018 for children born between 01/09/2013 & 31/09/2014 - The application facility opens on **15th November 2017** and closes at midnight on **15th January 2018**. Parents should receive a letter from the Admissions team shortly, providing a Unique Identifying Number which will facilitate that application. If you have any queries please contact The Education Helpline Advisers on 0345 155 1019.

Oak Class - Don't forget to bring a packed lunch in on Monday 20th November.
Please note Oak Class projects are due in on **Monday 18th December**.

Letters sent home this week

- Sportshall Athletics Event at Kings (Oak Class)
- FOPS Christmas Fair Letter
- Heights & Weights Letter (Reception and Year 6)
- School Photos Letter
- The King's School Christmas Fayre flyer

Dates for the Diary

2017/18 Academic Year

20 th November	- Flu vaccinations for R,1,2,3 & 4 children who requested it
	- Sportshall Athletics Festival Yrs 5/6 12pm - 3.30pm
21 st November	- This Girl Can Club @ Kings 4-5pm
24 th November	- Mufti Day for Christmas Fayre donations
27 th November	- School Photos from 8.30am in the village hall
29 th November	- Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
1 st December	- The King's School Christmas Fayre 6-8pm
2 nd December	- Christmas Fayre 4-7pm
13 th December	- Exeter Phoenix Theatre Trip 10am
	- Dress rehearsal for the Nativity from 1.30pm
14 th December	- School Nativity in The Leach's Barn, 2pm and 5pm
15 th December	- Christmas Jumper Day
19 th December	- Carol Service in the Church at 5pm
20 th December	- Christmas Lunch 12pm / Party pm
21 st December	- Last day of Term
5 th January	- Staff back to school

8 th January	- First day of Term / Heights & Weights Measurements Reception & Yr 6
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

Please note the cost of the Christmas Dinner is £2.00 (not £1.80 as stated in the letter). If you could send in the correct money that would be much appreciated.

News From St. Mary's Church Payhembury

A big PLEASE to all you Mums and Dads. Could anyone please spare a couple of hours to help with the Church yard clean -up on Saturday 25th November between 10-12. We desperately need some younger strong folk to lend a hand on that day. Just turn up you will be very welcome.

A thought :

When you can't put your prayers into words, God hears your heart.

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On Sunday at 9:30 there will be a Parish Communion Service at 9:30.

On Sunday Evening at Feniton Church there will be a Worship and Praise Service at 6:00

Community News

Thelma Hulbert Gallery (THG) - FAMILY DROP IN WORKSHOP

A Box For Something Precious - Saturday 25 November, drop in anytime between 11am and 3pm.

Join artist Monica Shanta Brown for a fun art activity! You will be creating your own box and decorating it to make a little world. All ages and abilities welcome. Suggested donation £2 / child.



Thelma Hulbert Gallery (THG), Dowell Street, Honiton EX14 1LX

www.thelmahulbert.com 01404 45006

Present Makers 2017 - A selling exhibition of contemporary craft

11 November – 23 December 2017, Tues - Sat 10am - 5pm FREE Admission (donations welcome)