



# PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 7 – 20<sup>th</sup> October 2016

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## The next few days ....

Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	-	Non-Pupil Day
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	-	Half Term
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	-	Return to school after half term
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	-	Heights & Weights - Year 6 children 11.30am
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	-	Governor's Resources Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	-	
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	-	Year 5 & 6 Hindu Workshop Sidmouth College 8.35 - 1pm

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Can you believe we have come to the end of the first half of term? Where has all the time gone? Just a quick reminder that it's a non-pupil day tomorrow. So an early start to half term.

I hope everyone was able to get an appointment for parents' evening? I always check with each teacher to see how over time they have run and it seems they were not too bad this week. If you need any further time with your teacher please come and arrange for another meeting to give you more time.

We have had a Health and Safety audit today and it seems to have gone well. While we never want to do them, they are a really good way to ensure that all areas in school are up-to-date and meeting the statutory requirements.

After half term it gets busy straight away. On Wednesday 2nd November Charlie Vincent and his friends are running a cake sale after school at 3.30pm. It will be to fund raise in aid of Nystagmus. We try to support 'Wobbly Wednesday' each year so I hope you will be able to come along. On the 4<sup>th</sup> November Year 5 and 6 are going to take part in the Hindu workshop at Sidmouth College and also during that week Year 6 are having their heights and weights measured.

Another plea in regards to head lice... please, please, please over the holidays have a good check for head lice. It really is going around at the moment. This is a great opportunity for everyone to tackle it together and come back to school lice free.

Also to let you know we have been in touch with the Environmental Health and the local PCSO in regards to the continuous dog fouling around the public pavements surrounding the school. It has become a serious issue and I would ask if you see any dogs unsupervised roaming free to call the Environmental Health or the local dog warden.

Finally we have updated some policies on the website. We are very aware that our website has some out dated photos and pages but we are in the process of ensuring it reflects our current children and school.

I hope you have a lovely half term and look forward to seeing you a week on Monday.

With best wishes,

Mrs Hammett

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

Willow Reception - Erin Archer Year 1 - Angus Forsythe

Ash Class Year 2 - Samuel Rogers Year 3 - Hattie Mullin

Oak Class Year 4 Charlie Vincent Year 5 - Rupert Hammond Year 6 - Connor Williams

### Notices to Parents

**School Meals** - The new menu (up until Easter 2017) has been sent home to everyone this week along with the school meal order forms for KS2 and Pre-school children. Please note the change of menu for **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2016 - The Bonfire Lunch**

**Year 5 & 6 - Hindu Workshop** - Year 5 & 6 children will be attending a Hindu Workshop on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November at Sidmouth College. The coach will be leaving at 8.35am and returning at about 1pm. The children will require a packed lunch on this day.

**Year 6 - Heights and Weights Consent Form** - Details regarding height and weights for Year 6 children have been sent home this week. This will take place on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 11.30am. Please can you return the consent forms by **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October** at the latest.

### Letters sent home this week

- Heights & Weights letter (Year 6)
- Hindu Workshop Letter (Years 5 & 6)
- School Meal order forms (KS2 and Pre-school)
- New School Meal Menu

### Dates for the Diary

#### 2016/17 Academic Year

- 20<sup>th</sup> October - Headteacher's Achievement Assembly 2.30pm followed by Kids Café 3pm (3.30pm children)
- 21<sup>st</sup> October - Non-Pupil Day
- 24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> October - Half Term
- 1<sup>st</sup> November - Year 6 - Heights & Weights
- 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Wobbly Wednesday - Cake Sale after school 3.30pm school playground
- Governor's Resources meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
- 4<sup>th</sup> November - Hindu Workshop Years 5 & 6 - Sidmouth College - 8.45 - 1pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Service 10.50am / Film Night 5-7pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> November - School Photos from 8.30am
- 16<sup>th</sup> November - Governor's Teaching & Learning meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
- 17<sup>th</sup> November - Flu Vaccinations for Years 1, 2 & 3 10.30am
- 18<sup>th</sup> November - Children In Need - More details to follow

21 <sup>st</sup> November	- Yrs 5/6 Sportshall Athletics Festival @ Kings School 12-3.30pm
30 <sup>th</sup> November	- Full Governor's Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury / Governor's Pay & Performance Meeting 8pm @ Payhembury
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	- Non-Uniform Day - chocolate donations for Christmas Fayre
9 <sup>th</sup> December	- Christmas Fayre in the Village Hall 3.30 - 5pm
14 <sup>th</sup> December	- Exeter Phoenix Trip am followed by Christmas Lunch
15 <sup>th</sup> December	- Christmas Carol Service 5.30pm start
16 <sup>th</sup> December	- Last day of Term / Christmas Jumper Day (Save The Children)
3 <sup>rd</sup> January	- First day of Term
13 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> February	- Half Term
31 <sup>st</sup> March	- Last day of Term

### Governors

"I am a Foundation Governor now serving my second term of office. Next week I will join with my colleagues on the Teaching and Learning Committee to seek assurance that the schools in the Federation are providing a curriculum which meets the learning needs of every individual child. We receive information from Mrs Hammett, the teacher Governors and sometimes presentations from other teachers about the new ways that they are working with children to inspire them both inside and outside the classroom. The committee also sees anonymised assessment data to enable us to ensure that all your children are making progress and that any concerns have been addressed by staff providing additional help. My specific area of responsibility is to make sure that the targets identified on the Schools' Improvement Plans are being delivered, to enhance the education provision within the Federation. This I do by visiting the schools and meeting with Mrs Hammett and other members of staff each term to see evidence of the plans' implementation. I then report back to the Governing Body, as we are all jointly responsible for sustained development in the schools that we govern. It is a privilege to be able to serve the Fort Federation and your children make it a pleasure too".

Hilary Russell

### Pre-School

I would like to thank all the parents for coming along to see me at the parent interviews this week. They have all been very useful.  
Mrs George.

### News From St. Mary's Church Payhembury



On Sunday there will be an All Ages Service at 9:30. However before the Service starts there will be BACON BUTTIES so do join us for breakfast, and a chat followed by a lovely Service to start your day.

A thought: The best mirror is an old friend. *Unknown*

### **All Souls Service of Remembrance for of the Dearly Departed**

Special Service to remember all those in our parishes who have died in the last year and also those close to us who have died and we would like remembered at our service.

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October** - 6pm Service of All Souls Remembrance at St. Andrews Feniton.

All are welcome and if you would like someone remembered please contact Rev. Cate 851401.Feniton parishioners may like to let me know at which service they would like their loved ones especially remembered. For more information please contact Rev Cate

### Community News

