

# PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

24<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
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## The next few days ...

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January      Oak Class Holocaust Memorial Trip  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January  
Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

We have had a lovely week, it has made so much difference being dry! The school diary has been quite empty for the last couple of weeks and this has allowed teachers and children to really focus on their learning.

This half term I am focusing on monitoring the teaching and learning across the Federation by visiting frequently the classes and to work alongside the children. I have been into four classes this week and I have observed high quality learning taking place. In my role I identify strengths and also areas for development. As a staff we are committed to keep improving our practice so that our children receive the best school experience possible.

A couple of reminders... We have seen an increase in the number of pupils late for school in the morning; school starts at 8.50am and registration closes at 9am. Please can I ask that we try to avoid lateness as it can make the start of the day more stressful for the late children and the lessons have started so it can disrupt the flow of learning for all the other children in class. Any attendance after 9.10 am is recorded as unauthorised absence.

Secondly, please inform school if there are changes to home life that might affect your child. For example, a parent working away for a while, a death of a pet, a hospital overnight stay for a family member; all these things can affect how your child feels. The information shared allows us to have more awareness and the ability to adjust the support required during the day.

Next week year 5 and 6 will be starting with a trip to Exeter. Both classes will be taking part in Holocaust Memorial Day. It is an event that has been running for a number of years but has recently added a primary school element to the day. They will begin their day in the Cathedral and then there will be different things going on around the centre of Exeter.

The rest of the week looks quiet again. I hope you have a great weekend.

With best wishes,

Mrs Hammett



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

<u>Willow Class</u>	Pre-School -	Olly	Reception -	Flo
<u>Ash Class</u>	Year 1 -	Lochlan	Year 2 -	Henrietta
<u>Beech Class</u>	Year 3 -	Sophia	Year 4 -	Tommy
<u>Oak Class</u>	Year 5 -	Hugo	Year 6 -	Oliver

## Notices to Parents

### Wellies

It would be useful if your child could bring in a spare pair of wellies to give the teachers flexibility with our activities during the school day.

## Sports Reports

We're keeping ourselves active on a regular basis at school and this week was no exception!

### **KS2 Weekly Running**

Wednesday morning runs have now become a fixed event in the calendar for both Beech and Oak class.

This week was the 3<sup>rd</sup> week we've run the path with both classes and everyone ran further than they'd achieved before. But as noticeable was the change in running styles of the children. They were running with heads up, shoulders relaxed and a clear breathing pattern.

We know that not everyone finds running easy so encouraging each individual to find their own personal challenge or goal during the session is really important. It is fabulous seeing and hearing the children encouraging and supporting each other across the age range. There have been some really lovely conversations had about all their different achievements too

Well done Beech and Oak – you're doing an amazing job!

As soon as the grass dries out just a little bit more we should be able to get Willow and Ash back on track too 😊

### **Sidmouth Rugby visit**

On Wednesday afternoon Beech and Oak then had their normal PE sessions but with a twist as we'd managed to arrange for two coaches from Sidmouth Rugby Club to come and run sessions for us.

The children were very enthusiastic and appreciative of the two coaches giving up their time voluntarily to come and run the sessions.

The coaches provided the children with some great drills and game play but also really demonstrated their passion for the sports and encouraged the children to look towards not just Sidmouth but Cullompton and Honiton if they wanted to get involved further in the sport. We are lucky to have 3 good Community Clubs within easy travelling distance and I know several children do already play.



### Sports Club

And finally this week in sports club the children put their coordination skills to the test with some creative catching and throwing tricks using the scratch pads before testing their accuracy with the indoor kurling stones.

Phew! - quite a day!



### Playground Leaders

On Tuesday 5 of our superb crew of playground leaders went to Kings School to work with playground leaders from all other schools in the area.

Our Sports Crew have been doing a superb job (when the weather has allowed!) of creating an active playground which encourages social interaction through activities, some competitive tournaments and personal skills challenges. Following their training session on Tuesday I wouldn't be surprised if we didn't see a few more skipping activities appearing!

Lily, Amaya, Emily, Ameya and Hattie all got to experience and practice ideas on pairs skipping, French

skipping, big rope skipping and individual tricks and challenges. I can't wait to see what skills children from all classes are going to be able to practice and impress with!





Wow!  
22 Phizifit certificates printed this week!  
Well done to those of you that have picked up the January challenge and got involved with Phizifit and doing some challenges at home.

A particular mention goes to Oak class as six children managed to log on for the first time AND gain their first certificate this week— see it can be done. Well done Evie, Elliot, Jess, Maya, Lily and Oliver.

Also, a big shout out to Henrietta in Ash as she is currently top of our leader board having achieved **Level 10** already!!

Competition time!!

I'll add up how many levels have been achieved across the whole class then see which class comes out on top.  
The current standings are:

Ash 33  
Beech 9  
Oak 24

Next time I report on Phizifit progress I'm going to see which class is top of the leader board.

If you are experiencing any issues logging on to the Phizifit website please try:

<https://www.phizifit.com/login/>

If this doesn't resolve an issues please do let us know.

### Letters sent home

Oak Class Netball (email)

### Dates for the Diary

17th-21st February 2020 - Half term

27th March 2020 - Last day of term

13th April 2020 - Bank Holiday

14th April 2020 - First day of term

8th May 2020 - May Bank Holiday to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day

25th-29th May 2020 - Half term

1st - 2nd June 2020 - Non pupil days

22nd July 2020 - Last day of term

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

News from St. Mary's Church Payhembury



Growing in Love Hope and Faith

On Sunday there will be an All Ages Service in the Church at 9:15 but arrive a little earlier for Bacon Butties and a chat. You will have a warm welcome.

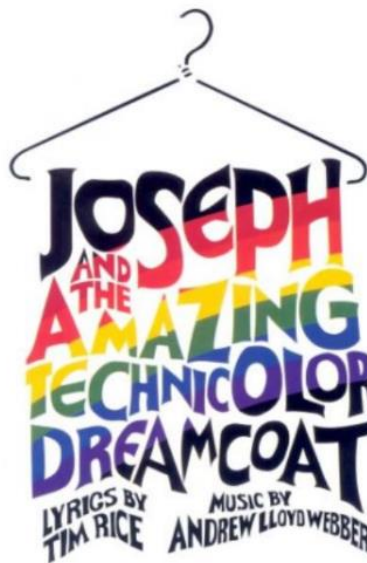
A thought

No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.

Aesop




**Community Theatre 4All**  
presents



**JOSEPH  
AND THE  
AMAZING  
TECHNICOLOR  
DREAMCOAT**

LYRICS BY **TIM RICE**      MUSIC BY **ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER**

**St Mary's Church Whimple**  
EXTRA PERFORMANCE ADDED  
Tickets now also on sale for Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm  
**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> & Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm**  
**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30pm and 7.30pm**  
Tickets on sale from Talaton Village Shop and Whimple Stores.  
Prices: Front Nave Adults £10, Children £8, Rear Nave & Side Aisles: Adults £8, Children £6



**HONITON COMMUNITY THEATRE COMPANY**

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**JOSIE DENNING** as King Rat  
**SARAH POTTINGER** as Alice Fitzwarren  
**HANNAH MOUNTAIN** as Dick Whittington  
**WILLOW RYERSON** as Kitty  
**RICHARD CREGAN** as Sarah the Cook

**Dick Whittington**

Director | **SHAUN BONETTA**    Musical Director | **IAN CREW**    Choreographer | **SARAH POTTINGER**

**THE BEEHIVE | 18 - 22 FEB 2020**  
BOX OFFICE | 01404 384 050 | BEEHIVEHONITON.CO.UK  
Evenings: 7pm | Sat Mat: 2pm | Tickets: £14/£8 | 10% off U18s tickets before 23/12/19  
Find out more at [honitontheatre.co.uk/dick-whittington](http://honitontheatre.co.uk/dick-whittington) | [f](#) [t](#) [@](#) /honitontheatre  
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## Payhembury Church New Year Bingo



**Saturday 25 January, 7 for 7.30pm**

**Payhembury Village Hall**  
with caller, *Marty Richards*



**Chicken dinner per house**  
**Plus other prizes and raffle, Tea & Cakes**  
**Raising funds for Payhembury Church**