



# PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 11 –24<sup>th</sup> November 2017  
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## The next few days ....

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	-	School Photos from 8.30am / Craft & Netball Clubs 3.30 - 4.30pm
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	-	
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	-	Talk from The Met Office 9.30 - 12.30 Scratch Club 3.30 - 4.30pm / Full Gov's Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	-	
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	-	The King's School Christmas Fayre 6-8pm
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	-	Payhembury Christmas Fayre 4-7pm

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Our week began with the flu inoculations for Reception through to Year 4. They take just seconds to administer but hopefully they will keep the horrible flu away from our children.

Key stage 2 children had their weekly cricket session and Oak class had the opportunity to take part in Sportshall Athletics at the King's School on Monday. I will let you know the results of the interschool competition.

This week Ms Jarrett has updated her health and safety training and the Governors met for their finance and premises meeting. Next week the governors will have a full governing body meeting.

Apart from these few sessions our week has been very quiet.

Next week we will be seeing a few visitors. Brad Murray, our County Primary Advisor is making his regular visit to monitor standards across the school. He will be visiting on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

We have Julie Paddock, an Early Years Advisor coming in to work with Emma Palmer and Emily Stoneman. She will be in on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November.

David Dominey, our finance support officer will be working with us on Monday. We will be working towards setting our next year's budget. Every year the challenge of making our money stretch is becoming increasingly hard and, as I expect you are aware through the media, schools are fighting very hard for additional funds.

Our scholastic book fayre arrives next week too and the flyers have been sent home today.

An exciting session next week will be our visit from Aidan McGivern. He works at the Met office and he will be giving a workshop to Ash, Beech and Oak on Wednesday.

School photos are taking place next Monday in the small hall within the Parish Hall. Please can I remind you that families with additional siblings from other schools will be given priority in the morning at 8.30am so to allow the children to get back to their schools on time.

The Christmas Tree festival is starting on Friday in the Church. Please come along and walk around with the children. It's so beautiful and this year our school focus will be nine ladies dancing!!!!

Last reminder - our Christmas Fayre is next Saturday and things are really getting sorted. We are really pleased with the new format. There is so much going on but unfortunately we are really short of helpers on the day. Please can you find some time to help? A red letter was sent home last week asking for help; please send it back in or call the office if you can give up some time to help.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Hammett

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

<u>Willow Class</u>	Pre-School	- Rowan Weekes	Reception	- Lochlan Forsythe
<u>Ash Class</u>	Year 1	- Henry Holding	Year 2	- Joshua Offer
<u>Beech Class</u>	Year 3	- Evie Archer	Year 4	- Sammy Hart
<u>Oak Class</u>	Year 5	- Amelia Wadsworth	Year 6	- Ellie Vincent

### Notices to Parents

**Admission to Primary School 2018 for children born between 01/09/2013 & 31/09/2014** - The application facility opens on **15<sup>th</sup> November 2017** and closes at midnight on **15<sup>th</sup> 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** - Please note Oak Class projects are due in on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

### **Letters sent home this week**

- School Meals order form and menu for w/c 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017.
- FOPS Christmas Fair Letter and Scholastic Book Fair leaflet
- Primary Times
- Seddon's Christmas Colouring Competition Flyer

### Dates for the Diary

#### **2017/18 Academic Year**

27 <sup>th</sup> November	- School Photos from 8.30am in the village hall
29 <sup>th</sup> November	- Talk from the Met Office 9.30 - 12.30 (Ash, Beech & Oak Classes) - Full Governing Body Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
1 <sup>st</sup> December	- The King's School Christmas Fayre 6-8pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	- Christmas Fayre 4-7pm
13 <sup>th</sup> December	- Exeter Phoenix Theatre Trip 10am - Dress rehearsal for the Nativity from 1.30pm
14 <sup>th</sup> December	- School Nativity in The Leach's Barn, 2pm and 5pm
15 <sup>th</sup> December	- Christmas Jumper Day
19 <sup>th</sup> December	- Carol Service in the Church at 5pm
20 <sup>th</sup> December	- Christmas Lunch 12pm / Party pm
21 <sup>st</sup> December	- Last day of Term
5 <sup>th</sup> January	- Staff back to school

8 <sup>th</sup> January	- First day of Term / Heights & Weights Measurements Reception & Yr 6
24 <sup>th</sup> January	- Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
7 <sup>th</sup> February	- Resources Committee Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
12 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	- Half Term
21 <sup>st</sup> February	- Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
7 <sup>th</sup> March	- Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
28 <sup>th</sup> March	- Resources Committee Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
29 <sup>th</sup> March	- Last day of Term
16 <sup>th</sup> April	- First day of Term
18 <sup>th</sup> April	- Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	- Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
16 <sup>th</sup> May	- Resources Committee Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
28 <sup>th</sup> May - 1 <sup>st</sup> June	- Half Term
4 <sup>th</sup> June	- Non-Pupil Day
6 <sup>th</sup> June	- Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
20 <sup>th</sup> June	- Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
4 <sup>th</sup> July	- Resources Committee Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
18 <sup>th</sup> July	- Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
24 <sup>th</sup> July	- End of Term

### Pre-School

School meal forms for next week and December are available from Mrs George. Please note if you require a meal during the last week of term you will need to pre-order. No meals will be available during the last week unless they have been pre-ordered.

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

On Sunday at 9:30 there will be an All Ages Service, with some Bacon Butties for breakfast so arrive a little earlier for a chat and food. A warm welcome to all.

A thought:

Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:18

The New Living Translation

### 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](http://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)