



# PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 18 – 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018  
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## The next few days ....

Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	-	Christingle Service in the Church 4pm
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	-	Netball & Booster Clubs 3.30 - 4.30pm
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	-	KS1 Multi Skills Club - 3.30 - 4.30pm
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	-	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	-	
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	-	1pm Vision Screening Programme for Reception Children

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Film night was a great success; nearly 50 children returned to school to share in an evening of popcorn, squash and large screen TV. Thank you to FOPS for organising and holding another super evening.

Our week began with a visit from the Devon Fire service. Two classes this year sat through a workshop presented by two serving fire fighters. Hopefully the children have shared all they learnt with you.

On Wednesday evening we had a Governor's teaching and learning committee meeting at Awliscombe school. We alternate the venues after each meeting. We discussed both schools in terms of current standards and the progress the children are making. We also focused on the Christian distinctiveness and our school core values. The Governors undertook a learning walk. They visited every room within the school and monitored carefully all aspects of our focus. The whole school, especially the classrooms, really looked fantastic. There has been a significant improvement throughout the school.

Also Julie Paddick, our Early Years advisor came to school to work with Emily Stoneman. We are always trying to improve our practice and develop new ideas in our teaching.

The children will be making their Christingles in school today and they will be working in family groups. The children love working with children from different groups other than their normal class. I hope you will be able to join us at the church on Sunday. It is a Christingle service and the children will take an active part in it.

Next week is very quiet. Apart from a few visitors to see the office or myself there is very little in the diary, so the children will be heads down and working flat out.

Finally a little reminder; there are quite a lot of coughs, colds, viruses etc going around at this time of year. It is really important that everyone makes sure they wash their hands thoroughly, especially before eating and after going to the toilet. Encouraging children in maintaining good hygiene is very important in helping the spread of these infections.

I hope you have a restful weekend and I look forward to seeing you next week, Mrs Hammett

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

<u>Willow Class</u>	Pre-School	- Henrietta Young	Reception	- Thomas Pratt
<u>Ash Class</u>	Year 1	- Erin Archer	Year 2	- Elliot Brainch
<u>Beech Class</u>	Year 3	- Archie Morris	Year 4	- Amaya Duggan-Jones
<u>Oak Class</u>	Year 5	- Silvester McFadden	Year 6	- Ellie Vincent

## Notices to Parents

**Orthoptic Vision Screening for Reception Children** - If you do not wish your child to have a vision test at school on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February please return your opt out request by **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January**.

**Bikeability** - Level 1 and Level 2 Training will be taking place w/c 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018 for year 5 children (or any year 6 children who haven't undertaken the training). Please return your forms to school ASAP so we can have an idea of the number of children wishing to take part. If your child would like to take part but doesn't have a suitable bike please speak to Mrs Lush in the office as spare bikes may be available.

**Oak Class** - The home learning projects need to be brought into school on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2018**.

**Residential Trip** - Reminder for Oak Class - please return your slips confirming whether your child will or will not be attending the residential on 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> June 2018. A deposit of £15 is required to secure your child's place on this trip. If you have mislaid your form please speak to Mrs Lush in the office.

## Letters sent home this week

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## Dates for the Diary

### 2017/18 Academic Year

28 <sup>th</sup> January	- Christingle Service in the Church at 4pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> February	- Vision Screening Programme for Reception Children @ 1pm
5 <sup>th</sup> February	- Yrs 5/6 Hockey at Kings 12pm - 3pm
7 <sup>th</sup> February	- Resources Committee Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
12 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	- Half Term
19 <sup>th</sup> - 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	- Bikeability for Years 5
21 <sup>st</sup> February	- Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
26 <sup>th</sup> February	- Parent's Evening
27 <sup>th</sup> February	- Parent's Evening
28 <sup>th</sup> February	- Parent's Evening
6 <sup>th</sup> March	- Cross Country for Yrs 3-6 on King's Field 4-5.30pm
7 <sup>th</sup> March	- Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
12 <sup>th</sup> March	- Yrs 5/6 Tag Rugby @ Kings 12pm - 3pm
17 <sup>th</sup> March	- Bulb Show 2.30 - 4pm
27 <sup>th</sup> March	- Yrs 3/4 Orienteering @ Kilerton House 10am - 2.30pm
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
- 12<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> June - Oak Class Residential Trip
- 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

### **2018/19 Academic Year**

- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> September - Non-Pupil Days
- 5<sup>th</sup> September - First Day of Term
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> October - Half Term
- 21<sup>st</sup> December - Last Day of Term
- 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 - First Day of the Spring Term

### Pre-School

School meal forms for February will be available for collection from Mrs George next week.

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



On Sunday at 4:00 there will be a Christingle Service, all are welcome. Christmas doesn't end in Church until the end of January! And the Children will have made the Christingle oranges.

A thought:

Every true friend is a glimpse of God.

Lucy Larcom

We'd love you to join us for our....

## Christingle Service

At St Mary's  
Church,  
Payhembury

Sunday 28th  
January at 4pm

Everybody is welcome



Followed by tea  
and cake

PAYHEMBURY SPRING BULB AND FLOWER SHOW 2018

**Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, this year the date of the show has got to be changed.**

**From Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March to Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

The times remain the same; however, because of the new date entry forms must be handed in

**before or by**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March to**

Di Somers, Pear Tree Cottage, Tale or take them to the shop on a Monday between 12 and 2 pm and Wednesday afternoon 2-5.30 pm

Louise Granger, 18 Markers Park, Payhembury

Jane Wood, 9 Hillside, Payhembury

We really hope that word will get out about the change of date so that it doesn't affect the Bulb Show or those entering, so if you know anyone that is entering please pass the word on. Thank you.

Any queries please feel free to phone me 01404 841843.

Jane Wood

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