



# PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

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## The next few days ....

- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Ash Class swimming from 1pm  
Year 6 Transition in the village hall 12-3pm  
Netball Club 3.30 - 4.30pm / Active Spring Club @ Kings 4-5pm
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - KS1 Summer Sports Club 3.30 - 4.30pm
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Lifeskills @ The Donkey Sanctuary leaving 8.30am  
Oak Class swimming 1.30 pm / Resources Mtg 6pm @ Payhembury
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Students from Kings to visit Year 6 children @ 9.30am  
New starters parent's talk in Willow class 3.45 - 4.30pm  
KS2 Summer Sports Club 3.30 - 4.30pm
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July -
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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

What a week! Wonderful weather with an Ofsted inspection thrown in. We had the phone call come in on Monday lunchtime. The Inspector arrived promptly on Tuesday at 8am and had left the school by 5pm.

I just want to assure you that it was a good day and he was very happy with everything. They won't be back for a few years now and hopefully in a few weeks I will be able to give you more details regarding the main points of the day. He did say a couple of things that I would like to share with you all. He said our school was one of the happiest he had visited and that our attendance data was the best he had seen. He also commented on the feedback from parents, as to also being one of the highest and with such positive comments. Thank you for your support, thank you to the staff for all they did and congratulations to the children for being such superstars. It's lovely to get it over before the summer holidays.

The Wildlife Conference was really successful on Monday and it was a great way to end this year's work. I believe the winners of the trophy this year were Tipton.

Congratulations to the Pre-school as they took part in the Big Toddle on Wednesday. All the children took part and walked around our school field. They raised a whopping £105 for Bernardos. How amazing they all are.

On Monday Ash class had a super afternoon at The Kings, they took part in a Multi skills event and it was a great success. I am sure year 2 will be looking forward to all the new events they will have the opportunity to take part in once they move to Year 3. I can't believe we only have three weeks left till Year 6 leave and all our classes shuffle around. There aren't any changes to the teachers and classes this year so it will seem a smooth transition.

Two of our pupils visited Colyton Grammar for their induction day this week. The remaining Year 6 children will spend a week at Kings a week after next.

Oak class went today to work in The Kings for an IT experience. I haven't heard how it went but I know they were all looking forward to it.

We are loving the weather and are taking extra special care of the children during the high temperature. Below is a warning from Devon County Council enforcing how to stay safe.

Level 2 heatwave alert: staying safe in the hot weather There is currently a Level 2 heatwave alert in Devon. This means there is more than a 60% chance of temperatures being higher than normal. It will be hottest between 11am and 3pm. Children are at a higher risk during hot weather and may be more affected by the heat. The best ways to keep cool are to wear loose, cotton clothes and to drink plenty of water. Prams shouldn't be covered with heavy blankets as these will raise the temperature too much. Make sure children have sunscreen on. The label should have a sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 15 and be at least four-star UVA protection. For more information on how to stay safe in the heat, visit the NHS website:

[http://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/sunscreen-and-sun-safety/?utm\\_source=Facebook&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_campaign=SocialSignIn&utm\\_content=Public%2BHealth](http://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/sunscreen-and-sun-safety/?utm_source=Facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=SocialSignIn&utm_content=Public%2BHealth)

Next week is a busy one for year 6 particularly. We will be delighted to welcome Reverend Cate back to school on Monday as she will be hosting the Church School's Transition Conference in the village hall for year 6 pupils within the parish. I will be going along too and am sure our year 6 children will be thrilled to see her again before they move on.

Wednesday will see Year 6 head off to the Donkey Sanctuary for this year's Life Skills session. This has always proven to be a success in the past.

And then on Thursday pupils in Year 9 at The Kings will come to do some drama work with the year 6 children again. A great fun day for them all.

Finally, we will be holding a Transition Talk for all parents with children starting in Reception in September. This will take place on Thursday at 3.45pm. There will be crèche facilities should you wish to bring the children.

I hope that you all have a fantastic weekend enjoying the sunshine.

Kind regards

Penny Hammett

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

<u>Willow Class</u>	Pre-School	-	Emma Kiely	Reception	-	Sebastian Eaton
<u>Ash Class</u>	Year 1	-	Nicholas Hayes-Lane	Year 2	-	Angus Forsythe
<u>Beech Class</u>	Year 3	-	Emma Williams	Year 4	-	William Branch
<u>Oak Class</u>	Year 5	-	Amelia Wadsworth	Year 6	-	Aidan Rogers

## Notices to Parents

**Oak Class** - Year 6 children - don't forget to be in school for 8.15am next Wednesday.

**Consent forms for GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations)** - There are still several forms outstanding. It is really important all forms are returned to school. Unless we have your consent we won't be able to show any pictures of your child.

**Swimming** - Ash class will be swimming on Monday afternoon and Oak class will be swimming on Wednesday afternoon as usual.

**Trophies** - Many thanks to everyone who has returned their trophies/shields.

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

- Lifeskills Letter (Year 6)



Sport's Day 2018



## Dates for the Diary

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

- 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Transition Year 6 in Village Hall 12-3pm
- Active Spring Club @ Kings Yrs 4/5/6 - 4-5pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Lifeskills @ the Donkey Sanctuary am

- Resources Committee Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
- 5<sup>th</sup> July - New Starters Parent's talk in Willow Class 3.45pm - 4.30pm
- 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 @ King's all week
- 9<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Leaver's social event in the evening
- 10<sup>th</sup> July - Oak Class Cricket @ Kings 12-3pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> July - Optional Parent's Evening
- 18<sup>th</sup> July - Full Governing Board Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
- 23<sup>rd</sup> July - Leaver's Service 9.15am in the Church
- 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
- 18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb - Half Term
- 5<sup>th</sup> April - Last Day of Term
- 23<sup>rd</sup> April - First Day of Term
- 27<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> May - Half Term
- 3<sup>rd</sup> June - Non-Pupil Day
- 19<sup>th</sup> July - Last Day of Term
- 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> July - Non-Pupil Days

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

On Sunday there will be Morning Worship at 9:00 and at Feniton there will be Story Time at 10:00.

A warm welcome to all

A thought:

Thought is the seed of action

Emerson

### **Pre-School**

Well done to everyone who took part in the Big Toddle this week and a big thank you to everyone who supported the event. The children had a great time.

Next Thursday is the new starters parent's talk in Willow Class at 3.45pm. Please return your forms to say whether you will be attending and whether you will require crèche facilities.

Don't forget to return your school meal forms if your child would like a hot meal during July.

### **F.O.P.S**

**Fundraising:** We need your help! If you shop online, please could you sign up to [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) to support Friends of Payhembury School?

It's a really easy way to raise money for us - you just use the easyfundraising site to shop online with more than 3,300 well known online stores like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S and when you make a purchase, the retailer sends us a free donation, at no extra cost to you.

We want to raise as much as possible, so please visit our new easyfundraising page at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofpay/> and click 'join us'.

## Community News

### Money to fund a parish footpath - we need your vote

The parish council have applied to Calor for a grant to help fund a footpath between Payhembury and Colestocks which would remove the need to walk along the busy road. Part of the decision is based on how many people vote for the project. Please go to <https://www.calor.co.uk/communityfund/payhembury-colestocks-footpath> and vote for the Payhembury-Colestocks footpath. You will need to register and verify your email address before you can vote. Voting closes June 29th.

Payhembury Parish Council.

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