



PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 25 – 5th April 2019
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The next few days

Monday 22nd April - Bank Holiday

Tuesday 23rd April - First day of Summer term

Wednesday 24th April -

Thursday 25th April -

Friday 26th April -

Message from the Executive Headteacher

Dear Parents

We have had a great week even if it has been colder and wetter. Nothing can dampen the spirits of the children.

Years 5 and 6 from both schools joined up for a day on Dartmoor on Tuesday and as the children have recounted, it was four seasons in one day. Sunny and warm through to snow and sleet. Every account from the children was full of exciting tales. I am glad we didn't have to cancel in the end as the forecast a couple of days before looked pretty rotten.

Well done to all the children who were awarded certificates in the achievement assembly, I know you all fully deserved them but I would like to remind those who weren't so lucky this term to not give up - I know that you all try very hard throughout the term. Thanks to those who could make the achievement assembly.

Congratulations to Beech for a fantastic Easter service. It was really special. The singing was particularly beautiful. It will a little strange with Easter still another couple of weekends away but it was a great way to end our Spring term.

Just a quick reminder that we aren't back till Tuesday 23rd April as the Monday is a bank holiday. I also wanted to share that I have been invited to have lunch alongside the other headteachers of Honiton and Ottery with Neil Parish our MP. He has written after receiving letters from our parents about the state of school funds. He has asked for our opinions to take back to central government. I will let you know how I get on.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a peaceful Easter holiday,

With best Wishes,

Mrs Hammett

Coming soon: Online payments to school with ParentPay!

Starting on the 1st May we will be introducing a more convenient way to pay for school meals, trips, after school clubs and much more online, using a secure service called ParentPay.

ParentPay will be live at school on 1st May; from this date we will be working towards no longer accepting cash and cheque payments, making the school a cash-free environment. Parents who need to continue making payments by cash may do so using the PayPoint network at local convenience stores.

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

Willow Class Pre-school - Amber Reception - Emma

Ash Class Year 1 William Year 2 - Erin

Beech Class Year 3 - Ashton Year 4 - James

Oak Class Year 5 - Matthew Year 6 - Marcus

Star of the Term:

Willow Class Pre-school - Daisy Reception - Rowan

Ash Class Year 1 Maisie Year 2 - Anwen

Beech Class Year 3 - Theo Year 4 - Grace

Oak Class Year 5 - Oliver Year 6 - Sophie

PARCH award:

Willow Class Pre-school - Kitty Reception - Oliver

Ash Class Year 1 Annabel Year 2 - Oscar

Beech Class Year 3 - Isla Year 4 - Maya

Oak Class Year 5 - Lily Year 6 - Jessica

Head Teacher Award:

Willow Class Pre-school - Oscar Reception - Emma

Ash Class Year 1 Lochlan Year 2 - Henry

Beech Class Year 3 - Jodie Year 4 - Jess

Oak Class Year 5 - Sam Year 6 - Noah

Notices to Parents

Activities Clubs - Thank you for returning club forms. Confirmation of places will be given to the children on our return from the Easter break. A reminder that activity clubs start on 29th April (with the exception of Oak class morning maths club and year 6 booster club which start on the 23rd April).

Hippo's Holiday Club Hippos **Holiday Club** will be running from Monday 8th to Thursday 18th April at Honiton Primary School. We offer a variety of sports, games and crafts from 8.00 am to 4.30pm for £15.00. (£8.00 for morning only).

Please see our website at www.honitonprimary.co.uk/holiday-club/ for more information, or ring us on 01404 548700. Children aged 5-11 from all schools in the area are welcome, and we accept childcare vouchers and tax-free childcare.

Jam Jars & Blankets! - Oak class would like clean jam jars and picnic blankets/rugs please. If you are able to donate any please bring them into the office.

Sports News - Sports Council:

This week, children from Beech and Ash class (Oak were on Dartmoor) joined Mrs Moran for a Sports Council meeting. The children had talked in their classes about some ideas that they wanted discussing at the meeting.

The Sports Council representatives from each class (Ash - Robert, Gabriel and Matilda; Beech - Max and Freddy) then explained during their meeting what they would like to see happen or change.

Everyone was very considerate of other children's ideas and they all gave some good suggestions on how to help keep the school active and give more opportunities for the things children want to do.

A couple of the many items discussed included; areas on the playground and field for different sports, setting up fair teams for competitions, having more competitions against other schools, getting some different equipment for play times.

With the help of the sports leaders, hopefully over the coming weeks and months some of these ideas can be achieved 😊

Maisie's Fundraising - A big thank you to everyone for supporting Maisie in her fundraising for the Little Princess Trust. She raised an amazing £205 in total (£134.66 of which we raised) and is now sporting a very fancy new hair-do! Well done Maisie.

Music Club - There are a few places available in Music Club next term:

Monday 3.30-4.30 £5, including collection from school and a biscuit! Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Singing, games, playing instruments, reading music and listening.

Contact Leah to book in:

leah@musicseeds.co.uk

Letter sent this week

- Beech tag rugby finals (selection of pupils)
- Oak rounders tournament (selection of pupils)

Dates for the Diary

2018/19 Academic Year

22nd April 2019 -Bank Holiday

23rd April 2019 - First day of Summer term

28th April 2019 - Exmoor Challenge training walk (year 6) Exmoor - details TBC
29th April 2019 - Quad Kids Athletics festival (Oak) @ Kings
30th April 2019 - Quad Kids Athletics Festival (Beech) @ Kings
12th May 2019 - Wild area prune and clear up
4th May 2019 - Exmoor Challenge Year 6
27th - 31st May 2019 - Half term
3rd June 2019 - Non pupil day
15th June 2019 - Summer Fair
19th July 2019 - Last day of term
22nd & 23rd July 2019 - Non pupil days

2019/20 Academic Year

2nd-3rd September 2019 - Non pupil days
4th September 2019 - First day of term
21st - 28th October 2019 - Half term
29th October 2019 - Non pupil day
30th October 2019 - First day back after half term for pupils
20th December 2019 - Last day of term
6th January 2020 - First day of term
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
4th May 2020 - Bank Holiday
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

Growing in Love , Hope and Faith

On Sunday there will be a Morning Worship Service at 9:30

On Sunday 14th there will be the CAFÉ Service, a warm welcome to all.



Happy Easter to all

A thought:

Know that even when you are in the kitchen, our Lord moves amid the pots and pans.

Teresa of Avila



