



# PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 5 – 7<sup>th</sup> October 2016

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## The next few days ....

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	-	Years 3 & 4 Multi Skills Event @ Kings 12-3.15 Table Top Games Club 3.30 - 4.30pm
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	-	
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	-	Swimming - Willow Class 1.30 - 3.30pm Scratch/Paper, Glue & Scissors Clubs 3.30 - 4.30pm
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	-	Outdoor/Dodge Ball Clubs 3.30 - 4.30pm
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	-	PCC Quiz Night - Payhembury Village Hall 7.30pm

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It has been a fairly quiet week this week. Today we had a visit from our Local Learning Community Headteachers. They took part in a learning walk around the site and they were very impressed with the children and the school. I was very proud to show them about.

We had the school census yesterday so many thanks to all the KS1 children who had a school meal. The numbers on roll effects the funding we receive in future.

Our year 5 & 6 children have gone off to King's this afternoon for their netball tournament. Unfortunately it had to be cancelled last week due to the bad weather. On Monday our Year 3 & 4 children are off to a multi-skills event at King's School in the afternoon, so don't forget your packed lunches.

Next Thursday and Friday myself and Mr Bladon will be attending a Head Teacher Conference at Saunton Sands. If you have any problems/concerns please don't hesitate to ask in the office.

Parent Interview letters have been sent home today. Please complete your forms and return to school as soon as possible. Interview slots are done on a first come first served basis. We do try very hard to accommodate everyone but it is not always possible so if you do want a late slot please return your form as early as possible.

Finally we have sent home today the consultation leaflet on the proposed expansion of Payhembury C of E Primary School. Please read carefully and if you have any questions prior to responding to Devon County Council please feel free to contact me.

Have a lovely weekend.

With kind regards,

Mrs Hammett

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

**Willow Reception** - Oliver Wilson      **Year 1** - Isla Burton  
**Ash Class Year 2** - Max Millett      **Year 3** - Oliver Burton  
**Oak Class Year 4** - Roxy Spiller      **Year 5** - Alice Millett      **Year 6** - Lawrence McFadden

## Notices to Parents

**Swimming** - Willow Class will be swimming this Wednesday afternoon. Please bring in a swimming costume/trunks, towel and goggles if required in a named bag on Wednesday mornings.

**Reminder:** Parents - if you need to come into the school for any reason please come to reception in the first instance.

### Letters sent home this week

- Multi Skills Letter (years 3 & 4)
- Consultation on Proposed Expansion of Payhembury Primary School Leaflet
- Hospiscare Flyer
- Parent Evening Letters
- Sport's Council Information

## Dates for the Diary

### 2016/17 Academic Year

- 10<sup>th</sup> October - Multi Skills Years 3 & 4 @ King's School 12pm - 3.15pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> October - PCC Quiz Night Payhembury Village Hall @ 7.30pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> October - Parent's Evening 3.45 - 5.45pm
- 19<sup>th</sup> October - Parent's Evening Willow 4.30 - 7pm and Ash/Oak 5-7pm
- 19<sup>th</sup> October - Governor's Teaching & Learning Meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
- 20<sup>th</sup> October - Pre-School parent interviews 1-3pm small hall
- 20<sup>th</sup> October - Kids Café
- 21<sup>st</sup> October - Non-Pupil Day
- 24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> October - Half Term
- 1<sup>st</sup> November - Year 6 - Heights & Weights
- 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Governor's Resources meeting 6pm @ Awliscombe
- 4<sup>th</sup> November - Hindu Workshop Years 5 & 6 - Sidmouth College - 8.45 - 1pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Service
- 16<sup>th</sup> November - School Photos from 8.30am
- 16<sup>th</sup> November - Governor's Teaching & Learning meeting 6pm @ Payhembury
- 17<sup>th</sup> November - Flu Vaccinations for Years 1, 2 & 3 10.30am
- 30<sup>th</sup> November - Full Governor's Meeting 6pm @ Payhembury /  
Governor's Pay & Performance Meeting 8pm @ Payhembury
- 14<sup>th</sup> December - Exeter Phoenix Trip am followed by Christmas Lunch
- 15<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Carol Service 5.30pm start
- 16<sup>th</sup> December - Last day of Term
- 3<sup>rd</sup> January - First day of Term
- 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> February - Half Term
- 31<sup>st</sup> March - Last day of Term

## Governors

I was delighted to be accepted onto the governing body of Payhembury School as a parent governor in 2012 when my sons Henry and Freddie were already at the school and daughter Isobel was soon to join. Following the creation of the FORT federation I am now a Foundation Governor but my role and

responsibilities remain much the same. I work in investment management and hence a place on the resources committee was an obvious home and I take the co-lead on finance with Elaine Anning, a parent of children at Awliscombe.

We hold a resources committee meeting every half term and the latest meeting was last week. Being the first resources meeting of the new school year there were a number of procedures to review as part of our annual cycle of business. Whether a school has 70 pupils or 700 pupils there are many policies covering all aspects of the operation of the school which have to be reviewed on a regular basis so there is usually something for review or update at each meeting. The key areas of Finance, Personnel, Premises and Welfare, Health and Safety are all discussed at each meeting with action points to take away. Although it has been a fairly steep learning curve in taking on the governor role, I have really enjoyed my time so far and really feel part of the team of staff and governors who work so hard to make the school a happy, safe and fulfilling place for all our pupils.

Paul Cann

### Pre-School

We have sent home this week letters explaining about parent interviews which will be held during the day for Pre-school. Appointments are available between 1-3pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2016. Please complete and return to school.

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

On Sunday there will be a CAFÉ Service at 10:30, in the Parish Hall, but do come earlier for chat, coffee and croissant and as always exciting activities for the children. Looking forward to seeing you there.

A thought:

Has he taken over your heart? Perhaps he resides there, but does he preside there?  
Vance Havner

#### Payhembury PCC Quiz Night

Friday October 14th, 7.30pm at Payhembury Village Hall. Light supper provided, BYO (& glasses) Maximum of 6 per table. To reserve a table contact Lesley Elford on 01404850356 or alternatively just come along on the night. Cost £7.50 per person All proceeds to Payhembury Church

### Community News

**SIDMOUTH AND OTTERY HOCKEY CLUB JUNIOR ACADEMY** *The new hockey season has begun and Sidmouth and Ottery Hockey Club junior academy would love to see anyone inspired to give the sport a try after the amazing success of the national ladies side in the Olympics.*

**Age groups:** 8 -16 years

**Venue:** Sidmouth Sports Centre AstroTurf, Primley Road, Sidmouth. (switches every half term- After half term, Late October onwards Ottery Sports Centre.)

**Time:** 10-11 AM boys, 11-12 NOON girls

**For parents:** tea and coffee is available, and a "Rusty Hockey" coached session 10-11AM for any parents wishing to have a go themselves!

**For more information:** [www.Sidmouthandotteryhc.co.uk](http://www.Sidmouthandotteryhc.co.uk) or call Lucy Miller 01395 597474

Qualified coaches, experienced helpers, enthusiastic young leaders

## Sidmouth Science Festival

7 - 16 October 2016

Fun for all the Family!

[info@sidmouthsciencefestival.org](mailto:info@sidmouthsciencefestival.org)

[www.sidmouthsciencefestival.org](http://www.sidmouthsciencefestival.org)

As well as contributing to activities taking place in schools, the Science Festival is running events in Sidmouth and at the Norman Lockyer Observatory, including a free inter-active science trail along the Sea Front on Sunday 9 October. Just turn up between 11am - 3pm. During the week there will be 4 film showings of 3D The Penguin King in 3D. This is £2 for adults but children are free.

On Saturday 15 October Iggy, The Iguanodon will be making an appearance at Kennaway House. There will be hands-on experiments and activities such as making a volcano, popping candy, thermal imaging, jelly baby wave machine etc, at All Saints' Hall, Kennaway House, the Methodist Church Hall, the Masonic Hall, the St Teresa's Hall, the Parish Church and Sidmouth Museum. These events run from 11am until 5pm (approx) and are FREE! Please look for the Science Festival flags and dinosaur footprints outside the venues.

On 16 October the Science Festival moves to the Norman Lockyer Observatory for a Sunday Funday on "Speed", from 11am to 4pm. This costs £8 for adults but children are free.

There will be storytelling, planetarium shows, Space Detectives, Space Boffins, robots, the now famous jet car races and lots of pre-school science fun.

Don't forget to go to Kennaway House on Thursday, Friday or Saturday to see the science art work! See which class has won a prize.

During the week there are events for Mums and Dads too, and Grans and Grandads: a Fungus Foray, Sunday church services, talks and an evening about Taste to challenge your taste buds.

Full details can be found at [www.sidmouthsciencefestival.org](http://www.sidmouthsciencefestival.org) @SidmouthScience



**South West Athletics Academy**  
**EXETER Sportshall Athletics**

Participation  
Potential  
Performance

● Come and have a go at a range of sportshall athletics events  
● Running jumping and throwing activities lead by local coaches  
● 2 groups - **Minis** age 4-7 and **Juniors** age 8-11  
● £5 advanced booking, £7 if pay on the day then come and do as many events as you like

**Come and have a go!**

Sportshall athletics activities for children

**Minis - age 4-7**  
**Juniors - age 8-11**

● Sprints ● Hurdles ● Distance ● Relays  
● Obstacle Relays ● High Jump  
● Standing Long Jump & Triple Jump  
● Speed Bounce ● Shot ● Turbo Javelin  
● Balance Beam ● Vertical Jump plus more ...

at Riverside Leisure Centre, Exeter

8am-10.30am Sat 8th Oct 2016  
10am-11.30am Sun 6th Nov 2016  
9am-10.30am Sat 3rd Dec 2016  
10am-11.30am Sat 21st Jan 2017  
10am-11.30am Sun 12th Feb 2017

See our website for more details

website: [www.sw-athletics-academy.co.uk](http://www.sw-athletics-academy.co.uk)  
**07745 616852**

# Kids Café

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October

Parents 3pm

Children 3:30pm onwards

*(Collect children as normal)*



*Take away  
Available*