# PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 9 – 13<sup>th</sup> November 2015

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### The next few days ....

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November -

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November - Spanish Club 12.30-1pm

Drama and Craft Clubs 3.30 - 4.30pm

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November - School Photos from 12pm

Christmas Photos from 3.30pm

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November - Cooking and Scratch Clubs 3.30 - 4.30pm

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November - Year 6 Take Over Day @ Sidmouth 9-3pm

School Disco 5 - 7pm in the Village Hall

#### Message from the Headteacher

#### Dear Parents

This week has flown by and we are another step closer to Christmas. Thank you for supporting children in need today. Only one more Mufti this term! In a couple of weeks we have one for the chocolate tombola for the Christmas fayre.

I have a couple of requests; firstly can I ask parents not to park in the Leach's courtyard opposite the car park. It is private property and the entrance to a busy farm.

Next can I ask parent picking children up for preschool after lunch **not** to enter the main hall. Please wait by the notice board as normal. Mrs Donne-Davis will bring your child out to you. This is for safeguarding reasons and it is important that we are adhering to this instruction.

Two health related requests, please check for head lice again. They are back again in all classes so let's all work together to get rid of them.

Finally we have a case of hand, foot and mouth and just want you to be aware. It's quite common for children to pick this up.

We are having our individual photos taken on Wednesday; groups photos can be arranged too. The photographer is also able to take informal photos, he takes really beautiful ones of children for Christmas pressies. You can bring props along. I've seen ones where children are dressed as angels or elves but also Christmassy backgrounds with stars etc.

Lastly I am looking forward to the disco next week; it's a great way to start the weekend.

With best wishes,

Mrs Hammett.

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

<u>Willow</u> Reception - Ben Wadsworth Year 1 - Imogen Blackman

<u>Ash Class</u> Year 2 - Sam Elsom Year 3 - Charlie Vincent

Oak Class Year 4 - Isla Bryson Year 5 - Harlan Doble

Year 6 - Isabel Boland-Davies

#### Notices to Parents

<u>Willow Class</u> - Please could we have any newspapers, kitchen roll tubes and small boxes for a craft project in the next two weeks.

We would also be grateful if you could please send in any copies of Julia Donaldson books you have at home for our topic work.

<u>Oak Class</u> - Letters regarding Oak Class trip to @ Bristol went out this week. Please complete the form and return with your payment in a named, sealed envelope by Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November.

<u>School dinners</u> - We would really appreciate any feedback with regards to the new change of menu and which meals the children like/don't like etc.

#### Admission to Primary School 2016 for children born between 01/09/2011 and 31/08/2012

The application facility at <a href="www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline">www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline</a> opens on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2015 and closes at midnight on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016. It is important that parents apply before the closing date. Parents should receive a letter from the Admissions Team shortly providing a Unique Identifying Number which will facilitate that application. However it is not essential to have this number to apply and any parent who does not receive a letter may proceed through the screens by first clicking "No UID". No places can be held in reserve for late applicants.

Any gueries please call The Education Helpline on 0345 1551019

#### Letters sent home this week

- National Takeover Day Letter (Year 6)
- @ Bristol Letter
- Christmas Cards

#### Dates for the Diary

#### 2015/16 Academic Year

18<sup>th</sup> November - School Photos from 12pm / Christmas Photos from 3.30pm

20<sup>th</sup> November - Disco 5-7pm in Village Hall

27<sup>th</sup> November - Non-Uniform Day - donations for chocolate tombola

27<sup>th</sup> November - Film Night 5-7pm in Oak Class

4<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Fayre 3.30 - 5pm (help required in the morning 9am)

9<sup>th</sup> December - Nativity (details to be confirmed) + refreshments

11th December - Whole School Theatre Trip 1pm

16<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Dinner followed by Christmas Party

Carol Service 5pm in the Church

18<sup>th</sup> December - Last day of Term 4<sup>th</sup> January - First day of Term

15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> Feb - Half Term

24<sup>th</sup> March - Last day of Term 11<sup>th</sup> April - First day of Term 2<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday 30<sup>th</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> May - Half Term 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> June - Non-pupil days 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Party in the Park 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Last day of Term

#### Pre-School

Welcome to a new section of the newsletter. Now that the preschool is part of the school we will be communicating to the parents of the preschool through this newsletter. It will also be a great opportunity for parents of children at the school to find out a little more about what is going on at preschool.

Firstly, welcome to the school newsletter. I would like to introduce myself (Helen Vincent - School Administrator) and Anne Lush (Admin Assistant). We are responsible for the school office. The office is manned every day from 8.30 to 4.00 (Monday, Wednesday & Friday) 8.30 to 3.30 (Tuesday & Thursday). If you have any questions with regards to payment of fees, school meals etc, please do not hesitate to contact us. I will be sending out a few forms over the next few weeks to ensure that the records we have for your children meet the requirements of the school.

On another note, the pre school children are now eating their lunch in the main hall with the children at the school. Can we please remind parents that they are **not** allowed into the main hall and must remain in the lobby area to collect their children as previously.

## News From St. Mary's Church Payhembury

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November – Parish Communion, 9.30am

# Community News

#### **West Country School Music**

New! Violin lessons available from January 2016! If you would like to enquire about what days/times are available for violin lessons from January please call our office on 07740 117227 or email <a href="https://www.wcsm.gov/wcsm

# <u>CINDERELLA</u>: <u>MAKE A PANTO IN A DAY (for 7-11 year olds)</u> @ The Beehive, Honiton on SATURDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 9.30 am – 4.15pm

A fantastic opportunity for children ages 7-11 to have great creative fun just before Christmas, putting together a performance of CINDERELLA in a single day at The Beehive in Honiton!

The day is organised by Make A Musical Play In a Day! Which has been bringing lots of different original musical plays to primary schools, theatres and art centres across the south west since 2009.

For further details please ask in the office or contact Peter Kyrke-Smith on 01392 469838 or email music@kyrke-smith.eclipse.co.uk



We are looking for helpers for the school disco a week today. If you would like to come along and lend a hand please let me know.

Thank you

Kirsty

Kirsty@canns.co.uk

#### Job Vacancies



Devon Norse has a vacancy for a Catering Assistant for Payhembury Primary School to also collect the food from the production kitchen.

The hours are 16.25 per week, Term time only. And the use of your own vehicle is essential.

The monthly wage is £398 per month (paid every month) plus a 25p per mile travel allowance.

Full Training and uniform will be given, and an enhanced DBS (CRB) will be applied for.

For more Information please contact Dawn Wood at Devon Norse on 07867 650415



#### Payhembury C of E (VC) Primary School

The school is looking for a Lunchtime Assistant to help with school lunchtimes.

The post will be every day from 11.45pm until 1.15pm.

The role will consist of setting up the hall ready for lunchtimes, helping the children with their lunch, supervision of children in the playground.

If you are interested and would like more information please contact the school office by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November