# PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 6 – 16<sup>th</sup> October 2015

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# The next few days ....

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October - FOPS meeting 3.30-4.30pm

Silent Auction "Raise the Roof" (Church) in the Parish Hall 7.30-9pm

Monday 19th October - Swimming: Willow Class and Ash Class

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October -

Wednesday 21st October - Swimming: Oak Class pm

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - Ash Class Medieval Day

Ash & Oak Class open afternoon from 2.40pm

Cross Country for Years 3/4/5/6 @ Kings School 4-5.15pm

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Cake Sale in aid of Children's Cancer Charity 3.30pm

### Message from the Headteacher

#### Dear Parents

This week has seen a visit from Brad Murray, our Primary Advisor. His role is to work within school to evaluate and help support school improvement. We look specifically at the curriculum, the teaching and learning opportunities and the progress and achievement of the pupils. I find it very intense but the feedback that comes from his visit is vital to ensure we continue to focus on the most important elements to raising standards in the school. We are very fortunate that Brad is able to work with both schools so we have in fact spent two days together. During that time lessons have been observed, work scrutinised and planning reviewed.

Mrs Lush has asked me to remind you about the FOPS meeting in school at 3.45pm today. Please come along and support our very dedicated team, so much is achieved from the amazing fund raising that takes place for our children and our school.

Today Ash class went to Ottery St. Mary Primary School to take part in an Eco project about the conservation of hedgehogs in the local area. This is following on from the work Mrs Morris and Ash studied about Rivers last year at school.

During next week's Parents evening we have organised a Scholastic book sale. It might be good for Christmas pressies. Don't forget to bring your purse or wallet along.

Next Thursday Ash Class will be having a Medieval Day where Ash Class children can dress up for the occasion. They will be having a medieval banquet, making armour and enduring a rigorous knight-in-training programme. There will be an open afternoon for Ash & Oak class parents in the afternoon to come in and view the children's topic projects. FOPS are kindly providing coffee and cake. There will be a short assembly at 2.45pm.

I am delighted to tell you about the cake sale taking place on Friday afternoon on the playground organised by Sam Bentley and Harlan Doble. It was completely their idea and they are raising money for Children Cancer charities. Well done boys I am very proud of you and your efforts to run the cake sale. Please come along to support them and all cake donations will be gratefully received.

Next week is the last one before half term holiday.... Already! We would like to invite you to come along to our Achievement assembly which will take place at 9.15am in the village hall. Any pupil who has achieved star of the week will receive a special head teacher's award.

Best wishes, Mrs Hammett

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

Willow Reception - Tristan John Year 1 - Archie Morris

Ash Class Year 2 - Matthew Currey Year 3 - Amelia Wadsworth

Oak Class Year 4 - Marcia Jarrett Year 5 - Ethan Goodland

**Year 6** - Natasha Autherson

#### Notices to Parents

<u>Willow Class</u> - Please can Willow Class children bring their teddy bears for a Teddy Bear's Picnic in class on Friday.

<u>Oak Class</u> - Reminder! Oak Class projects are due in on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2015**. Parents are able to see and share the children's projects on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015** from 2.40pm.

<u>Reception Starters September 2016</u> - If you have a child that is due to start Payhembury School next September, please could you contact us at the school and complete a note of interest form if you haven't already done so. This will then give us an idea of how many we can expect. Thanks

<u>Swimming</u> - Next week Willow Class and Ash Class will be swimming on Monday afternoon and Oak Class on Wednesday afternoon.

<u>Clubs</u> - Please note there will be no clubs next week.

<u>Nits</u> - Please could we ask all parents to check their children's hair over the weekend and treat if required? There are still reported cases of head lice. Thanks

#### Letters sent home this week

- School Meals Order Form (Years 3/4/5/6)
- New Menu + Bonfire Menu on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2015
- Escot Flyer
- Primary Times
- Ash Class Letter
- Parent Evenings interview times

#### Dates for the Diary

#### 2015/16 Academic Year

16<sup>th</sup> October - FOPS meeting in school staff room 3.30pm - 4.30pm

19<sup>th</sup> October - Parent's Evening 3.45pm - 5.45pm

21<sup>st</sup> October - Parent's Evening 5-7pm

22<sup>nd</sup> October - Ash Class Medieval Day/Ash & Oak open afternoon from 2.40pm

22<sup>nd</sup> October - Cross Country Years 3/4/5/6 @ Kings School 4-5.15pm

23<sup>rd</sup> October - Payhembury Achievement Assembly 9.15am

26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> Oct - Half Term

11<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Service 10.45am

18<sup>th</sup> November - School Photos

20<sup>th</sup> November - Youth Club AGM, Six Bells @ 8pm 11<sup>th</sup> December - Whole School Theatre Trip 1pm

- Last day of Term

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

 $15^{th} - 19^{th}$  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

# News From St. Mary's Church Payhembury

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On Friday Evening in the Parish Hall there will be a Silent Auction from 7:30- 9:00pm, do come along to offer your support, there will be something for everyone. More details on posters and in the Parish Paper.

On Sunday morning at 9:30 there will be a Parish in the Church so do come and join us for that.

Communion Service

#### A thought:

22<sup>nd</sup> July

There is a garden in every childhood, an enchanted place where colours are brighter, the air softer, and the morning more fragrant than ever again.

Elizabeth Lawrence

# F.O.P.5



Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising a free donation for Friends of Payhembury School? There are nearly 3,000 retailers including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, thetrainline and Sainsbury's, who will donate a percentage of the amount you spend to Friends of Payhembury School to say thank you for shopping with them. It's really simple, and doesn't cost you anything.

All you have to do is:

- 1. Go to http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofpayhemburyschool
- 2. Sign up for free
- 3. Get shopping your donations will be collected by easyfundraising and automatically sent to Friends of Payhembury School. It couldn't be easier!

There are no catches or hidden charges and Friends of Payhembury School will be really grateful for your donations.

Thank you for your support.

#### **Christmas Cards**

The children will have a chance to design their own Christmas cards again this year. If you've had these before you'll know how special they are and how you never seem to have ordered enough! Well, here's your advance notice...cards will be designed in school and will arrive to bring home for you to write and send by 7th Dec. If you'd like to find out more have a look at the website of the company we're using (<a href="www.apfs.org.uk">www.apfs.org.uk</a>). All monies raised will go back into the children's resources in school.

Kirsty (Chair of FOPs)

# Community News

# **Silent Auction**

Silent Auction – Raise the Roof (Church) – FRIDAY 16<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 7.30PM VILLAGE HALL Here is a taster of pledges on offer:

2 lots of loads of logs, 2 paintings of church by local artists (Sue Derbyshire & Jim Staines), Uniced Christmas cake, Christmas pudding, Cushion (A. Baxter), a day with Payhembury shoot, 2 hrs gardening, family swim at Slade Barton, B&B for 2 at Yellingham Farm, Apple tree and shrub (Adams Apples), pedicure, steak meal for 2 at the Six Bells, Roast dinner hamper, case of wine, 2 lots of taxi – to and from a local venue (one is for New Year's Eve!). Payment is by cash or cheque.

There will be wine and nibbles plus a champagne raffle. Please come along and join us for a fun evening.

# Swimming at Slade Barton Pool

We will now be keeping Slade Barton pool open all year round. The swimming schedule will mostly remain the same with minor amends:

Monday, general swim for all from 3.30-6.00pm (was on a Thurs)

Tuesday, quiet swim 9am-1.00pm

Wednesday, Aqua Aerobics takes place in the mornings; call me if you would like more info.

Wednesday Village swim night will continue to run in the evenings, but at a very slightly later time of 6.45pm due to lessons finishing at 6.30. It will stay open a bit later to 9.15pm.

Thursday, Applepips and Pre-School 9.00am-1.00pm (not 3.00pm)

Swimming Lessons available for all ages and levels with 'Swim Time' during the week after school in term time. For more info www.swimtime.org or t: 01278 805120

In the school holidays the general swim for all remains as a Monday and Thursday from 9am -1pm. Includes being open 24th and 31st Dec and bank hols.

Call Nicki if you have any queries t: 01404 841408



# KEEP CALM AND SAVE LIVES



KEEP CALM AND DONATE CAKE'S

Friday 23rd October

There is a bake sale for

children's cancer charities in

the Willow shelter at the end of the

school day. 3:30 pm.

Please buy and give as many cakes you can to help children with cancer.

Harlan Doble and Sam Bentley.