PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 7 – 23rd October 2015

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The next few days

Monday 2nd November -

Tuesday 3rd November -

Wednesday 4th November - Mufti Day for Wobbly Wednesday

Thursday 5th November - Bonfire Menu

Friday 6th November -

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

We have finished this half term on such a high note, the children's projects have been simply stunning. The standard of work completed by the children is amazing. Thank you to you all for putting so much effort in to them, working or supporting your child. The children are clearly very proud of themselves and deservedly so. I thoroughly enjoyed talking to the children about their work. I know many are already looking forward to their next project assignment. I am going to have to find a lot more space in school if we are to fully display them all.

Thank you for the many suggestions given for the new federation name. We had some really smashing ideas. A working party of governors sat with all the suggestions and decided on a final name. There wasn't a single winner but there was a popular suggestion around Hembury Fort so we have decided to call it the FORT Federation. We foster Friendship for all, with One Vision, a Readiness for learning and Trusting in God. Thank you for your suggestions, we really do value your input. We now need to design a logo. Please send any ideas into me, I would love to see your ideas.

Also thank you to all those parents able to attend parent's evening this week. It is a vital opportunity for us all to talk about the progress being made and the next steps in learning for your child. If you weren't able to make it please feel free to book an alternative date.

Next half term is a very busy one and there are lots of opportunities to come into school I know the key dates are included in the newsletter, please put them on the calendar now so you don't miss anything.

Finally a huge thank you to Miss Stoneman for making Medieval Day so enjoyable for the children. What a great day they had, that's what real learning is all about. We look forward to many more of those days.

I hope you get some quality rest time this holiday and are prepared for the next exciting half term. Thank you for your continued support for the school and the many positive comments received this week during parent's evening, they are greatly appreciated.

See you all on the 2nd November and don't forget mufti day for Wobbly Wednesday when we return. Please come along in mufti and bring your donations to raise awareness for children with Nystagmus.

With best wishes, Mrs Hammett.

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

<u>Willow</u> Reception - Theo Hammond Year 1 - Freddy Brauer

<u>Ash Class</u> Year 2 - Lily Paterson Year 3 - Maddie Wooff

Oak Class Year 4 - Tom Weekes Year 5 - Harlan Doble

Year 6 - Isabel Boland-Davies

Notices to Parents

<u>Willow Class</u> - Can parents check to see if they have Emma William's sweatshirt please. It is named, aged 5-6. Thank you.

<u>Ash Class</u> - Thank you to all Ash Class parents who came in to watch our assembly yesterday. We would also like to thank Payhembury Provisions who very kindly donated a sum of money to pay for the day.

<u>School dinners</u> - There is a change of menu during the first week back. On **Tuesday 3rd November** there will be beef cobbler for main or cheese & tomato pizza for vegetarian option. Don't forget the Bonfire Menu on Thursday.

After half term our school meals will be coming from West Hill Primary School. We would really appreciate any feedback from your children, whether positive or negative.

<u>Swimming</u> - Swimming has now stopped or the winter months. Unfortunately we no longer have a lifequard for next year. If you are interested in helping out please let the office know.

<u>Clubs</u> - Please note there will be no clubs the first week back after half term.

Letters sent home this week

- Breakfast Club forms
- After School forms

Dates for the Diary

2015/16 Academic Year

26th - 30th Oct - Half Term

4th November - Mufti Day/Wobbly Wednesday 11th November - Remembrance Service 10.45am

18th November - School Photos

20th November - Disco 5-7pm in Village Hall

Youth Club AGM, Six Bells @ 8pm

27th November - Non-Uniform Day - donations for chocolate tombola

27th November - Film Night 5-7pm in Oak Class

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

9th December - Nativity (details to be confirmed) + refreshments

11th December - Whole School Theatre Trip 1pm

16th December - Christmas Dinner followed by Christmas Party

Carol Service 5pm in the Church

18th December - Last day of Term 4th January - First day of Term

15th - 19th Feb - Half Term

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

News From St. Mary's Church Payhembury

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On Sunday there will be an All Ages Service at 11.00 so do come and join us.



A thought:

One filled with joy preaches without preaching.

Mother Teresa

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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 (www.apfs.org.uk). All monies raised will go back into the children's resources in school.

Kirsty (Chair of FOPs)

Community News

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 amendments after half term:

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