



# PAYHEMBURY PRIMARY POST

Newsletter 8 –6<sup>th</sup> November 2015

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## The next few days ....

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	-	
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	-	
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	-	Remembrance Service 11am (War Memorial)
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	-	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	-	Mufti (Children in Need)

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Welcome back! I hope you all enjoyed your week off? We had a great day on 'Wobbly Wednesday', it was a great success. Look out for our pictures in the Mid-Week Herald. Thank you for supporting such a worthy cause.

I received a distressing health and safety update this week regarding two recent deaths of children as a result of choking on whole grapes. We have been given clear guidance that all grapes in school need to be chopped in half lengthways. Please may I ask that if you include grapes within your child's packed lunch that they are cut up prepared? We will be very vigilant but cannot be responsible for the cutting of grapes. All staff have been made aware of this clear guidance.

Well done to Sam and Harlan for the cake sale at the end of last term. They raised £79.61p for Children with Cancer. Fantastic effort boys. Thank you to everyone who supported the sale.

This week we have had a real problem with headlice, please check your child's hair and treat immediately. Unless we all work on this together we will struggle to eradicate them. If you need any advice please come and see the office.

Next Wednesday is Remembrance Day and Oak class will take the service. Please come and join us at the memorial at 10.45 on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

Over the next three weeks we have two more MUFTI days. The first is on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November - Children in Need (£1 donation to wear your own clothes) and the second is on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November (chocolate donation) in aid of the Christmas chocolate tombola. Apologies for the three MUFTI days coming so close together, unfortunately it's just how the dates worked out.

This is such a busy term; please put our dates in your diary so you don't miss anything.

The last date for your diary is the school disco on 20<sup>th</sup> November. I'm dusting off my dancing shoes so I hope you'll be able to join me.

With best wishes, Mrs Hammett.

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

<u>Willow</u>	Reception	- Jodie Wright	Year 1	- Emma Williams
<u>Ash Class</u>	Year 2	- William Brainch	Year 3	- Marcus Wilkinson
<u>Oak Class</u>	Year 4	- Ellie Vincent	Year 5	- Abbey Stonex
	Year 6	- William Bentley		

## Notices to Parents

**Willow Class** - 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.

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

**Swimming** - Swimming has now stopped for the winter months. Unfortunately we no longer have a lifeguard for next year. If you are interested in helping out please let the office know.

**Clubs** - Clubs start back next week. With regards to cookery club we have sent home the recipe for next week to all the children in Group 2. If you no longer require your place please let us know ASAP. Recipes for further weeks will follow shortly.

### **Letters sent home this week**

- Club forms and confirmation forms
- Swim Time Flyer
- Northbrook Fundraising catalogue

## Dates for the Diary

### **2015/16 Academic Year**

11 <sup>th</sup> November	- Remembrance Service 10.45am
13 <sup>th</sup> November	- Mufti - Children in Need
18 <sup>th</sup> November	- School Photos
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
11 <sup>th</sup> 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  
22<sup>nd</sup> July

- Party in the Park  
- Last day of Term

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



On Sunday there will be a Service of Remembrance at 10:55 so do join us at the Memorial and then for the Service.

A thought:-

A person without a sense of humour is like a wagon without springs, jolted by every pebble in the road.

*Henry Ward Beecher*