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10th June 2022

Holywell is a NO NUT Zone.

A message from Mrs. Denham

Please find below a link to a parent/carer survey. We appreciate your views and would be grateful if you could take the time to respond. This survey is anonymous and is open until Friday 8th July.

<https://forms.office.com/r/Cns9DXn99s>

200-year celebration

Holywell is 200 years this year! What an amazing achievement. We want to celebrate this anniversary with the staff and children. If anyone has any memories, stories and photos of the school, we would so love to hear and see them. We would also love to hear from anyone who came to the school. Please send any information to holywell@ventrus.org.uk

We are celebrating this milestone during the week of July 4th to July 8th, with events happening during the week, culminating in a birthday celebration on FRIDAY JULY 8th. We hope to have a dressing up day, where children can dress up as children of Holywell from any period in the last 200 years. In the morning we hope to have a wide variety of games from different times for the children to play. At lunchtime, we hope to have a picnic lunch/ fish and chip bag lunch on the field with any parents who are able to join us and then in the afternoon Y6 are going to share their play about history through the ages. What a wonderful busy day is planned! We also hope to get everyone to contribute to a book about 200 reasons why we love Holywell, bury a time capsule, have a drone picture of the children spelling out the numbers 200 and plant a special tree. More details to follow in the next few weeks. Any other ideas will be gratefully received.

Jubilee Celebrations

It was lovely to see so many children and families at the Tawstock celebrations last week. The lighting of the beacon and the firework display afterwards was a fabulous evening and one I am sure the children will always remember and treasure. Thank you also to all the families who joined us at St Peter's Church on Sunday for a special service for the Queen and a big thank you to the children who joined me in leading the national anthem. The service was then followed by a delicious cream tea and cakes in the village hall organised by the Village Hall Committee. A special thanks to Lynn in the kitchen who helped make the afternoon so lovely.

Tempest Photography

Tempest will be in school on the afternoon of Monday 13th June to take class photos and leavers photos.

Science IT Day.

Thank you to the PTFA for the funding of the Cognition Learning visits on Monday. They came and worked with each of the classes on a coding project. The children in Robin Class learnt the coding to enable Kubo the robot to find its way from the park to the shops, using a map. All the classes had a great enjoyable day and have not stopped talking about it!



Glass water-bottles

Please can we ask that you DO NOT send your child to school with a glass water bottle. We have already had a few dropped causing danger to children around at the time as well as being expensive to you the parents.

For Pupil transferring Pilton Community College in September 2022

IMPORTANT - Transition trip to Saunton – Please complete the link below

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=3RWFZvuneEGMNLPLFLdk_cOxSwq_4UoBNoyUBhV9DxBRUOFBFDJYNUpENFQ3VUJRWTBQTjk0NTU5Sy4u

For Pupils transferring to Park Community School in September 2022

If your child is transferring to The Park Community School in September 2022, you should have received an email from Park School last Wednesday, 1st June, asking you to complete an online Admission Form. The deadline for completion of these forms is **Friday 10th June**. If you have not received this email, please contact the Park School Office (tel: 01271 373131) and they can resend the information to you. The House allocation letters will be sent home via email early next week.

Saunton Sands

We are thrilled that we can once again plan our annual trip to Saunton Sands this year with our partner school Bratton Fleming. We have not been able to go on this beach trip for the last 2 years due to COVID so children and staff are really looking forward to this fantastic day. We will send out a letter with more details shortly but we wanted to be able to share the good news with you asap. We aim to go on Wednesday July 13th. Our wonderful PTA have offered to help subsidise the trip and pay half the costs of the coaches. Therefore, we are pleased to say the trip will work out at £3.50 per child, with an ice cream included in the cost.

We are looking forward to a day of digging sand castles, sunshine, games and fun.



All items, including school meals, breakfast club and after-school club should be paid for in advance. None of these accounts should have a debt balance. As we are approaching the end of our Financial Year it is important that all debts are cleared. If this applies to you can we please ask that you clear these debts as soon as possible and keep further payments up to date.

The following trips are now available or will be available shortly for payment and consent to be made:

School Meals – £2.30 per day

Breakfast & ASC –

Squirrels class – Gymnastics

Squirrels class – Swimming

All Year Groups – Saunton Sands

Current Year 4 & 5 – London Residential

Please remember to pay the correct funds into the correct account item, and for the correct child in your family



Breakfast & After-school club (Spaces available).

The cost for Breakfast club is £4.50 per child - can drop off from 8am.
After School Club starts - pick-up 4.15pm (£4.50) or 5.15pm (£9.00).

If you are going to be late collecting or if you need to collect at an alternative time, please can you phone to school by the end of the school day (3.15pm).

After 3.15pm, or in an emergency **only** please email myka.scott@ventrus.org.uk (Wed & Thurs) or lily.derges@ventrus.org.uk (Mon, Tues & Fri mornings) beatrice.hutchinson@ventrus.org.uk (Mon, Tues & Fri afterschool).

Ventrus Job Vacancies

<https://ventrus.current-vacancies.com/v?id=VENTRUSMUL&t=Ventrus-Careers>

Including vacancies at local schools.

BIZZY BEEZ Coffee and Play – Wednesdays 9-11am (term-time)
Come and join in the fun. All ages welcome. No membership, just pay as you go.
Children £2 – Adults £1
Tawstock Village Hall (EX31 3HZ)
Messy Play, arts and crafts, music and dancing, outdoor toys and story time.
For details call Emma on 07368 422791 or Philly on 07799 543781

Free School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please go to the [Citizen Portal](#) which is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in an instant decision.

Diaru Dates:

June 13th (Monday) – **Tempest photoaraphu** – group photos.

June 23rd (Thursday) – **Sports Dau** at Holuwell –we hope that this event will start around 1pm and ask that parents start arriving from 12:45pm. The sports dau is due to finish around 3 – 3:15pm. **Parents are being asked to collect their child from the gate as normal**

further details will be circulated nearer the time.

June 27th (Monday) – Year 5's **Cricket Festival** – further details will be circulated nearer the time.

July 1st (Friday) – **Torrington Aauathlon** – open to any children in years 3, 4, 5 & 6.

July 8th (Friday) – **Holuwell 200 years' celebration.**

July 15th (Friday) – **Year 6 leavers service** – Tawstock Village Hall at 2pm.

Privacy Notices

Important information

Ventrus main privacy notice can be found at <https://ventrus.org.uk/our-people/privacy-notices/> and the privacy notice for pupils can be viewed <https://ventrus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Pupil-Privacy-Notice-2021-Final.pdf>

Chulmleigh College Year 5 Taster Day Wednesday June 29th 2022

Chulmleigh College are delighted to invite prospective pupils to join them for a fun day experiencing life at the College. For parents/carers there will be a presentation from senior leadership at the end of the day. To book a place please visit

<https://tinyurl.com/CCYear-5-Taster-Day-2022> and complete their booking form **before 15th June 2022.**

Out of catchment?

SCHOOL TRANSPORT is available from Barnstaple, Crediton, Rackenford and Torrington areas. Please contact us for more information. (Transport is not available for the Year 5 Taster Day.)

They can't wait to meet you!

Barnstaple Library

Attached to this newsletter is a poster and some information regarding Summer events with the Barnstaple Libraru. Also below is a link to the Reading Aencu Summer Reading Challenge website.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/news/general/gadgeteers-intro>

Family survey

The Children's Commissioner has been asked to undertake an Independent Review into family life. This Review is a chance to really understand what family means to the nation, what they feel about family, what support is already in place and what more we can do. If you would like to have a say, please complete the survey. [Family survey](#)

SEND trainina for parents and carers

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/eycs/send-training-for-parents-and-carers>

Child Safety Week

For some useful fact sheets on child safety week visit - <https://www.capt.org.uk/Pages/Category/child-safety-week>

For more information on button and coin cell safety please visit - <https://www.capt.org.uk/button-battery-safety>.

More information on the Harper Lee Foundation can be found here - <https://harperleefoundation.org.uk/>.

Last day of the Summer term Friday 22nd July 2022.

News from the PTA



Welcome to the last half term of school! Now is the perfect time to get involved with the PTA. Please join our meeting on Tuesday to help us plan the bicentenary celebrations!

Zoom Meeting - Tuesday 14th June 7.30 pm

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77788111022?pwd=HdKxzv2qSRSsXEjlytvPTYXWereGua.1>

Meeting ID: 777 8811 1022

Passcode: WyH1Fg

Ice Lolly sale

Every Friday after school, weather permitting, 50p a lolly. Please dispose of the wrapper responsibly! If you are early for pick up, you are welcome to help set up the table.

Second hand uniform

If you need to buy or wish to donate uniform, please contact Hazel on 07974208835. At the moment we can only accept donations of items with the current school logo please.

Your School Lottery

This is a weekly draw and tickets are just £1! In addition to the cash prize, there is also a prize draw.

Please see attached poster for details. Tickets can be bought any time

at <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/holywell-church-of-england-primary-school> Good luck!