

# NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents

## A Message from Mrs Denham

Welcome back to the start of a wonderful and busy summer term. There have been lots of letters already being sent home for trips, gym, tennis, clubs etc. Thank you so much to the staff at Holywell for being so proactive at organising exciting events to bring learning alive.

It's lovely to see new clubs starting up like Rugby Tots, golf and nature club.

We were thrilled that all our gymnastics team performed so well at the recent competition at Tarka. It was nerve wracking just watching from the side-lines let alone competing. A huge thank you; to all the parents for their support and a massive thank you to Mrs Hammond for all her hard work to the whole squad.

Well done to St David's team for achieving the most house points last term. For all their hard work, they have the privilege to wear non uniform on MONDAY.

### Queen's birthday celebrations;

Note for your calendars

The Village Hall committee will not be holding their Annual Tawstock Flower Festival this year. However, on Sunday, June 19th from 2 to 4pm the Tawstock Village Hall Committee would like to invite all families to join them for a cream tea to celebrate the Queen's Birthday. More details to follow at a later date but it is likely we will be demonstrating maypole dancing and singing to open the celebration.

### PTA change in a jar collection:

The PTA are already being very busy planning lots of lovely events this term. They have asked me to thank everyone who contributed to the "change in a jar" fundraising activity and with your help they have raised £244. Wow, well done everyone.

### Winning Team - St David's – Non Uniform Day:

On Monday, St David's family group will be going on a short walk in the morning (or if raining will go in the Hollow) looking of 'signs of Spring'. Please send in wellies / appropriate footwear / coat for this activity. Many thanks, Mrs. Ashcroft

### Pupils Achievements:

Congratulations and well done to:

**Honeysuckle Andrews** who has achieved a merit for her Grade 2 ABRSM flute exam.

**Monty Andrews;** has gained his British Gymnastics Level 4 proficiency award and

**Honeysuckle Andrews** was proud to be awarded a trophy for winner of the Airfix Make and Take award 2016 from the North Devon Model Society, for her Albatross Bi-plane model!

### Letters sent out this week:

Year 1 and 2 - Tennis coaching in school - cost £2.00

Year 1 and 2 - Broomhill art gallery trip – cost £1.90  
 Year 1 and 2 – Multi-skills festival at Tarka – cost £2.00  
 Year 1, 2 and 5 - Music Celebration Concert  
 Year 1 and 2 – Nature club.  
 Reception and Year 5's – Falcon Gymnastics - £20.00

**Big thank you:**

Thank you so much for all of your fantastic sponsorship efforts for Mrs. Hammond's cycling event. To date you have raised an amazing £678.75. This really is an amount that can make a difference to children and their families being supported by Children's Hospice South West. Thank you, Thank you Thank you! If anybody still has any outstanding sponsorship please do send it into school so we can add it to this very impressive total.

**Schools Gymnastics Competition thanks:**

Jo Andrews (Honeysuckle, Tabitha and Monty's mum) would like to say a big thank you to **Mrs Hammond** for her tireless effort, encouragement and organisation in the schools gymnastics competition before Easter: All the children's wonderful achievements on the day are owed in no small part to Mrs Hammond's hard work and dedication, which is much appreciated!

**Forest School:**

Year 5 will be taking part in Forest School this term on Thursday afternoons. Please bring in sensible footwear, waterproof coat and is possible, waterproof trousers (we have some of these in school). There is no need to bring a change of clothes.

**Year 6 Pupils - Pilton Parents Evening**

Year 6 parents are invited to a parents evening at Pilton Community College on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July starting at 6pm. They will also be inviting the children.

They would also like the children to visit on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> (9 am – 12 noon) and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July (9 am – 2:45 pm).

**Stamps for The Children's Hospice**

Mrs. Archer is collecting used stamps for 'The Children's Hospice South West' and would be very grateful if you could bring in your used stamps for this cause.

**After school clubs** – All clubs finish at 4:15pm.

Monday	Tag Rugby	Mrs Vine	Y3, 4, 5 & 6	
Monday	Pottery	Mrs Coulam	YR, 1 & 2	
Tuesday	Nature Club In the Hollow.	Miss Lee & Mrs Carlyon	Y 1 and 2	Have appropriate clothing in school to change into including wellies and waterproofs.
Tuesday	Rounders	Mrs Hammond	Y3,4,5 & 6	
Wednesday	SAT's Booster Club	Mrs Curtis	Y6	
Wednesday	Cricket	Mr Anderson	Y3, 4, 5 & 6.	
Wednesday	Recorders	Mrs Archer	Y4,5&6	
Thursday	Rugby Tots	John Hudson	YR, 1 & 2.	(£4.50 per session)
Thursday	Tri Golf	Andy Pye	Y3,4,5&6	(£2.00 per session).

**Diary Dates – forthcoming events**

End of the Summer Term – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2016.

Tuesday April 19<sup>th</sup> – Reception and Year 5's at Falcon Gymnastics, every Tuesday until 24<sup>th</sup> May (Last session) – Please collect your child from the Gym.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Hedgehogs class visiting Broomhill. They will be back at school to have their lunch.

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April – Hedgehogs class Multi Skill at Tarka Tennis. They will be back at school to have their lunch.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Northern Devon Summertime Celebration at the Queen's Theatre. Tickets for parents to watch this performance can be purchased direct from the Queens Theatre.

May Day Bank Holiday – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2016

Half Term – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2016.

**PTFA**

**Date of next meeting** – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April – 6.30pm (at Hayley Cook's house).

**Community News**

**Calling All Parents**

**Beginner Circuits**

starting on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April. 9.15 – 10 am  
£4 – Pay as you go  
At the Village Hall, Tawstock.  
Please ask Estelle Liepa for more info  
07973533668

**Tawstock Tiddlers and Toddlers**

Bumps, babies and all preschoolers welcome  
Snacks provided Guest speakers and Messy play.  
Monday from 9.30 – 11.00 at Tawstock Village Hall  
For more details contact Mel:  
07866783740  
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**St Michaels Nursery Tawstock**

We have vacancies at the after school club on Tuesdays and availability in our breakfast club every day. If you are interested call the nursery on 01271 267038 or email [office@stmichaels-nursery.org](mailto:office@stmichaels-nursery.org)

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**Paws on the Beach** Hosted by Dogs Helping Kids, Paws on the Beach is an exciting new event for dogs and their owners, taking place on Saunton Beach in North Devon on 22nd May 2016.

Throughout the day there will be a huge selection of paw-some activities to entertain both dogs and their owners, including a family fun [dog show](#), 'The Big Sit' world record attempt, and the [K9 Factor](#) dog talent contest. Plus, we're very excited to announce that we'll be bringing [doggy surfing](#) to the UK with a very special demo from specially trained dogs!

Organised by Dogs Helping Kids as their main annual fundraising event, Paws on the Beach hopes to raise money to help train a new intake of Certified School Dogs.

SATURDAY SCIENCE CLUB

3RD SATURDAY  
OF EACH MONTH

2 HOURS HANDS-ON  
ACTIVITIES  
& LEARNING!

# Food Science

- Get lab coats on for a variety of chemistry experiments to investigate the main food groups.
- Find out why popping candy “pops”.
- Make your own fizzy sherbet (take home).
- Which is sweeter: juice or squash? Use glucose test strips to compare the sugar content of different drinks.
- Extract iron from your breakfast cereal.
- Can you sink a marshmallow?!

## BOOKING ESSENTIAL!

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afternoon (1–3) session.

Saturday  
16th April  
Barnstaple  
Library



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World  
Book Night  
23 April 2016



## Launch of Libraries Unlimited

Saturday 23rd April 2016, 10.30am

Barnstaple Library, Tuly Street, Barnstaple, EX31 1EL

Join us as we celebrate the sixth annual World Book Night and launch of Libraries Unlimited in Barnstaple.

Libraries Unlimited is a new public service mutual responsible for delivering library services across Devon. Join us to learn more about some of the exciting new services we plan to develop and how you can get involved.

Light refreshments will be served. Children are welcome to attend.

If you would like to attend please reply by email to:  
[librariesunlimited@gmail.com](mailto:librariesunlimited@gmail.com) by Monday April 18th 2016.

There will be a second launch event in Exeter at 2pm.

For further  
information please  
contact Kaley on

07988880649

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