

A message from Mrs. Denham

We've all had a wonderful Red Nose Day! Thank you so much for your support in buying the red noses - we sold out today which is great news.

We would also like to wish all our super gymnasts all the very best for the schools competition this weekend.

Easter Service

We welcome you all to our Easter Service in St Peter's Church on Thursday March 30th at 2.30pm. We hope you can join us. Children will walk up to the church and then will need to be picked up from the Church at 3.15pm

If your child is in Pre-School and you would like to take them to the service please let Naomi know, as the pre-school will not be attending as a group. If you do not collect your child to take them to the service please collect at the normal time. Thank you.

Rugby Tots

If your child attends Rugby Tots after school on Thursday evening, can you please make arrangements for them to be brought back to school. If your child will not be attending Rugby Tots next Thursday can you also let Mrs. Palmer know. Thank you.

We then break up for the Easter holidays on Friday March 31st and return to school just after the Easter weekend on **TUESDAY April 18th 2017**.

School News

Pupil Achievements:

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to **Felicity Ayres, Bella Ayres and Lannah Barrow**. These three girls travelled to Melksham, Wiltshire on Sunday to compete in the South West Elite Compulsory Grades Gymnastics Competition, representing Falcons. Bella and Lannah competed at Level 5 and Felicity at Level 3. This is the highest technical ability levels for their ages. At Level 5, only ten 7/8 year old girls in the whole of the South West had the ability to enter the competition, and at Level 3 only four girls 9/10 years had the ability to enter. The girls competed on range and conditioning, vault, bars, beam and floor. All three were absolutely brilliant and they all achieved **DISTINCTIONS!** Bella is the South West Bronze medallist, with Lannah close behind in 4th. Felicity is South West Silver medallist. (Behind the current British Champion!) Fliss secured her place to go on to National Finals at Stoke-on-Trent at the end of April. We are so very very proud of them!

Car Parking and 3:15 pm pick-up

Please can we ask that the parents who are picking their children up from school at 3:15 pm not to arrive until 3:10 pm. In recent weeks parents picking up at 3 pm have been stuck in the car park until 3:20 pm. Thank you.

News from the PTA



Bag2school

Today we have sent home bag2school for you to fill with any unwanted adult or children's clothing, shoes, handbags and soft toys. These bags will be collected from school on **Thursday 30th March** so please could you return them filled on the Thursday morning (not before as the school has nowhere to store them.) This is a great chance to have a clear out and help raise money for the PTA.

The Easter treasure hunt will take place on **Saturday 25th March** 11-2 with a trail through the woods suitable for all ages. We will be asking for food donations for this. More details to follow.

Op-Shop

If you have or require any good quality, secondhand school uniform please contact Emma Barstow on 07976 269525.

After school clubs

All clubs finish at 4:15pm except Recorders which finish at 4pm but if your child wishes to also do Computer Club they can leave at 3.45 to join that club.

Monday	Computers	Mrs Curtis	Y3, 4, 5 & 6	Computer club will not be running after half term and will restart on Monday 15th MAY, 2017
Tuesday	Pottery	Mrs Coulam	YR, 1 & 2	
Tuesday	Netball	Miss Purchase	Y3,4,5 & 6	
Wednesday	Cross Country	Mrs Hammond	Y3,4,5 & 6	NO - X Country club on the 29th March
Wednesday	Yr. 6 Booster lessons	Mrs Curtis	Y 6	Last session 3rd May.
Thursday	Staff Meetings			
Thursday	Rugby Tots			

Rugby Tots has started back on Thursday's in the hall on after school. If your child has not yet been to this club and would like to start please just turn up with your child on Thursday after school and speak with John who runs this club.

Diary Dates – forthcoming events

25th March PTA East Scavenge at Tawstock Village Hall,
26th March Gymnastics Competition at the Falcon Gymnastic Academy, Tarka Tennis.
30th March Easter service at Tawstock village church starting at **2.30 pm**
30th March PTA Bags2School collection, outside the school gate at **8.50 am**

Term Dates

End of Spring Term (Last Day) – Friday 31st March.
First Day of the Summer Term – Tuesday 18th April.
May Day – Monday 1st May.
Half Term – Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June inclusive.
End of Summer Term (Last Day) – Friday 21st July.

Community News St Michaels Nursery

'We are pleased to be able to offer spaces Monday to Friday inclusive at St. Michael's Nursery after-school club, collecting your children from Holywell and offering fun activities and tea until 6pm. We also have spaces in our breakfast club on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, running from 8am when breakfast is served, leaving Sticklepath at 8.20am to reach Tawstock in time for school.

Katie runs a fantastic service and you only need to ask the families who use the service to find out just how much the children enjoy their time after school!

Please contact us office@stmichaels-nursery.org or ring us 01271 327074 to find out more, places are limited so please hurry to avoid disappointment!

Circuits

Every Tuesday

9 – 9.45 am, in the village hall.

£4 pay as you go

All fitness levels welcome!

Children welcome to come along and play whilst mum/dad get fit.

Contact Estelle Liepa for more info or just turn up.

07973 533668

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

Family Hack Jam Event - Thursday 20th April.

Park School would like to invite you to their **Family Hack Jam** at Park Community School, Barnstaple.

The aim of this **Family Hack Jam** event is to bring together friends, families and teachers to discover the fun, excitement and power of computer science, through an enjoyable, team-based problem-solving evening.

We have 50 free places available - please visit Park School's website front page for more information about the event and to book a place.

<http://www.parkcommunity.devon.sch.uk>

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Nearly New Sale

at the Freedom Centre

1 Howard Avenue, Barnstaple, 01271 321171

Saturday 11th March

10am to 1pm

Good quality clothes, shoes, bags, books all at BARGAIN prices

Tea, coffee and cake

Free admission & parking

All proceeds to Freedom Community Alliance (charity number 1125960) to provide help and support to vulnerable adults in our community

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Hakeford Woods, Forest School

Easter Holiday Club Dates are now available for booking.

Holiday Club for Children aged 5-7:

Mon 3rd, Wed 5th, Fri 7th April

Woodland Craft Club for children aged 8-12:

Tue 4th and Thurs 6th April

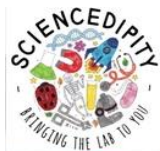
Holiday Club for children aged 5-11:

Wed 12th and Thurs. 13th:

Cost £30 a session

All sessions can now be booked through our Bookwhen booking page:

<https://v1.bookwhen.com/hakefordwoods>



Join us in the lab for fun & educational explosive science experiments, including rocket workshop with Wonderstruck



this Easter holiday EGGSPLOSIVE SCIENCE



9am-4pm. £35 per child.
Suitable for 7-11 yrs.
Bring packed lunch & snacks!

Booking Essential!
Book via the website:
<http://sciencedipity.co.uk/school-holiday-science-clubs/>

For queries contact
sciencedipity@outlook.com
or 07847006048

Wednesday 5th April at Petroc, Barnstaple
Friday 7th April at Kingsley School, Bideford

SHEBBEAR COLLEGE Senior School

OPEN DAY

Monday 1st May
10.00am - 4.00pm

Come and find out more about school life here at Shebbear.
Enjoy a tour of the school and speak to teachers and pupils.
Refreshments will be available.

You are welcome to drop in, but we recommend booking an appointment to ensure you will meet the Headmaster.

To book or for more information please contact:
registrar@shebbearcollege.co.uk or call 01409 282 001

WEEKLY BOARDING OFFER - £4945 per term (from Sept '17)
The best value weekly boarding in the South West