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3rd July, 2020

School News

A message from Mrs. Denham

I can't believe another week has passed by with just two more weeks to go until the end of term. I am sure you have heard that yesterday the government set out guidance for children's return to school in September. We are obviously looking at this in great detail and will be planning to meet the guidance and risk assessments ready for September.

As we are working towards the end of term, we will be sending your child's end of year school report out early next week via Seesaw with an accompanying letter explaining the report and classes and staffing for September. We hope to ensure the Y6 have some opportunities to celebrate their time at Holywell via some shared documents (and my goodbye story and a good luck pebble!) and if possible we would like to all meet up again in September to say a final goodbye.

Summer Term

The last day of the Summer term will be Friday 17th July, 2020.

Holywell is a NO NUT Zone.

News from the PTA



Take part in the BT Digital Dash for the chance to chance to win up to £10K to spend on new tech for your school: <https://www.bt.com/skillsfortomorrow/home-life/digital-dash>

Thank you for helping us raise funds through easyfundraising. Please remember to use this link next time you shop online! <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofholywellschool/?invite=qxe9k8&referral-campaign>

Would you like to help create and reserve a copy of our limited edition fundraising 2021 calendar? <https://forms.gle/QvttFWcfzn1BpeA2A>

Op Shop

If you have or require any good quality, secondhand school uniform please contact Hazel Malin on 07974 208835 Thank you for your support.

Uniform Order

We need to make a uniform order and would like your help.

Please complete the attached order form and return to: holywell@ventrus.org.uk - marked uniform required for September by Thursday 18th June. After returning your order form to school you are now

able to purchase all items on parent pay. We will let you know the arrangements for collecting the items at a later date.

The important thing at this time is that we have some idea of the amount of stock we need to order.

Parent Pay

As previously notified, all payments must now be made by parent pay and we are unable to take cash payments, if you have not yet logged onto parent pay and have lost your username and password can you please email and we will get this sent out to you.

Can you help

During these unusual times we are aware that many people have been taking the opportunity to clear-out. If you have any of the following items that you no longer require, the school would be very pleased to receive them.

Small world characters and buildings; fantasy, farming, construction workers etc. (Playmobil, Lego, or similar).

Payment to St Michaels for school lunches

Please could you ensure that no cash or cheques are used as forms of payment for school lunches. St Michaels will only take payments by BACS or card over the phone at this time. Their bank details can be found on the menu which was sent home last week and their telephone number is (01271) 327074 or (01271) 267038. Thank you.

Free Nasal Childhood Flu Vaccination

Your child is due to be in Reception to Year 6 from September 2020 and they are therefore eligible for a Free Nasal Childhood Flu Vaccination.

It is anticipated that this will be delivered in schools between October 2020 to December 2020, this will be administered adhering to all up to date Infection Control, PPE and social distancing guidance at the time.

Flu vaccination is one of most effective interventions we have to reduce pressure on the health and social care system which is going to be more important than ever this year. For this reason, it is essential we deliver the vaccine to as many children as possible to prevent the spread of infection to those most at risk in society.

In light of the above we are expecting demand to be high and therefore we urge you to follow the below link to consent to your child's vaccination now. You will also find answers to your FAQ's on this link.

<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2020/devon>

If you have any difficulties with completing the consent form please contact the Immunisation Team on our Single Point of Access (SPA).

Links you may be interested in?

The Plough Theatre – Great Torrington

<https://www.theploughartscentre.org.uk/whats-on/diary>

Romarsport

A letter was sent home attached to the newsletter today from this company if you would like to find out more this is there website and the parent booking link.

www.romarsports.com link for parents to book is <https://www.romarsports.com/Holiday-Camps>

Happy Maps

www.happymaps.co.uk

New website for parents on children's mental health problems now launched. Funded by Health Education England, HappyMaps is designed to help parents find useful resources on behaviour and mental health for their children – from babies to young adults. It is hoped that this will be really useful for parents whose children don't meet the specialist referral thresholds or are perhaps on the waiting list. There is good general information

(national) and also local information on counselling, charities, local CAMHS and parenting groups for the South West. Take a look at the website.

Outdoors Group

<https://www.outdoorsgroup.co.uk/forestschoollactivities/>

Riverdart.co.uk – event 30th March

<http://riverdart.co.uk/news-and-events>

Easter Holiday Club – Tawstock Court

<https://sciencedipity.co.uk/school-holiday-science-club/>

On-line Safety

Online safety is an ever expanding area and you can find further valuable information on the CEOP website 'Think you know' has produced some useful conversation starters and advice to help you talk to your child about staying safe online.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

The NSPCC website

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventingabuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety>

Some good sources of information and advice for parents:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

The Professionals Online Safety Helpline is available Monday to Friday 10am – 4pm

Call 0344 381 4772 or email enquires@saferinternet.org.uk

<https://parentinfo.org/>

Parent Info is a free web service providing information to parents and carers.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/ShareAware>

Advice from the NSPCC: on social networks, app and games.

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

A non-profit organization; working with others to help make the internet a great and safe place for children.

West Buckland School Activity Day

<https://www.westbuckland.com/prospective-parents>

Early Help for Mental Health

<http://eh4mh.co.uk>

Early Help

<http://devon.cc/earlyhelp>

Courses for Parents and Children

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/d/united-kingdom--bideford/family-and-education--classes/>

The above events are constantly being updated and there are many new courses available which may be of interest.

Devon Library Services (including Barnstaple)

<https://www.devonlibraries.org.uk/web/arena/events>

Royal Albert Memorial Museum - (Exeter)

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKCECC/bulletins/20a0199>

Barnstaple Library

<http://devonlibraries.org.uk>