

# NEWSLETTER



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### A message from Mrs. Denham

This week the children, who start school in Reception in September, have made their third and final visit to school, staying all day. We are pleased at how well they have already settling into school life. We are really looking forward to them being in Reception in September.

Our Year 6 children, who will be transferring to Pilton Community College in September, have their transition visit today. I hope they enjoy every minute and look forward to their time at Pilton. It was the Y11 prom at Pilton last night and it was lovely to see some of our ex pupils looking so smart and beautiful.

We would like to wish our Federation Show Jumping team good luck for tomorrow's competition, which is taking place at Coxleigh Barton. They have been doing amazingly well.

Thank you so much to everyone who could attend our Sports Day on Monday in the sweltering heat. The children did incredibly well considering the temperatures and we look forward to them completing the running races at a later date.

Thank you to our PTA for arranging for refreshments and to the Sports Leaders from both Park and Pilton for supporting us throughout the day.

#### Parking

Please can we remind parents, grandparents, relatives & friends not to park in either disabled car parking spaces unless you have a badge. Please see the attached letter from the parents of Gabriel.



#### **School News**

#### Year 2 Tennis Competition

Last Wednesday Imogen Evans, Ruby Lockhart, Riley Lloyd and Louie Isaac represented the year 2s at the annual tennis competition at Tara Tennis. There were many schools from North Devon, with over 25 teams taking part. They did an amazing job, making it through to the quarter finals. Their team spirit and sportsmanship shone throughout the day. A huge well done to them all.

#### Sun cream and sun hats

We are at the time of year when (hopefully) the sun will be shining regularly and the children will be able to use the school field and work outside in the playground. However, this means that we need all children to have a sun hat and sun cream in school, for their protection. You may wish to apply sun cream at home before they come in the morning, especially the Pre-School.

#### Lost Uniform

Has anyone seen or mistakenly picked up a blue hat with orange logo (letter c) on the front. It has Kyle Smith written inside. This went missing from Tarka Tennis on Tuesday 20th. Please can you check all bags just in case.

#### Found Coat

Mrs. Palmer has in the office a size 10-11 years, grey 'Nutmeg' coat with a blue lining, if this belongs to your child can you please come and collect it. Thank you.

23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2017

#### Preschool

We still have a few places available in September

#### **Funding**

From the 1<sup>st</sup> September working parents of children aged three and four may find that their entitlement to free childcare and early learning will rise from 15 hours to a potential 30 hours per week.

The deadline for applications to use the extra Government funding, for children expected to start childcare this September, is about ten weeks away, on 31 August.

But before then parents must apply online to receive an 11 digit code from HMRC to take to a childcare provider who must validate the code with Devon County Council.

From September, eligible 3 and 4 year-olds will be entitled to 1,140 hours per year – that's the equivalent of 30 hours a week during term times – of funded early learning and childcare.

To be eligible, parents must be in work and earning the equivalent of 16 hours per week at the national minimum wage £120 a week or £6,000 per year.

Further information is available here <a href="http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/">http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/</a>

You can apply for your 11 digit code from the HMRC at <a href="https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/applynow">https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/applynow</a>

#### News from the PTA



5050CLUB

This week's winner is

## Family Cockbain

#### Congratulations on winning £1 5.50!

#### THE MORE MEMBERS THERE ARE,

#### THE BIGGER THE PRIZES !!!

If you would like to join, please pick up a form in the office or speak to

Lucy Rosser or Jane Gaytan

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

#### PTA Events

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July: Holywell Rocks, summer festival.

#### 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.

				This club has now finished. Computer club will start on Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July.
Tuesday	Pottery	Mrs Coulam	YR, 1 & 2	
Tuesday	Rounders'	Miss Purchase	Y3,4,5 & 6	
				Cricket clubs is cancelled for the rest of this term.
Thursday	Staff Meetings			
Thursday	Rugby Tots	John Hudson	Yr1,2 & 3	
Friday	Athletics	Mrs Hammond	Y3,4,5 & 6	

<u>**Rugby Tots**</u> 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 the club.

#### **Diary Dates – forthcoming events**

#### Term Dates

End of summer term – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2017.

Start of autumn term – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2017.

Non-Pupil day – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2017.

Half term – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2017 to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 (inclusive).

#### **Diary Dates**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June to Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July (inclusive) the year 5 & 6's will be at the Gym/Tennis etc.

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July, the PTA are planning a Music Event at Holywell School.

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Saunton Sands Trip.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 service in the village hall.

End of Summer Term (Last Day) – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 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 <u>office@stmichaels-nursery.org</u> or ring us 01271 327074 to find out more, places are limited so please hurry to avoid disappointment!

#### <u>Circuits</u>

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 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### **Newton Tracy Cricket Club**

Are holding Junior Cricket Session

Starting on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

At the Newton Tracey pitch

5.30 – 6.15 for under 9's/beginners

6.15 – 7.45 Under 10's and over

Contact Pete Newby 07747 792006

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# **Nearly New Sale**

at the Freedom Centre

1 Howard Avenue, Barnstaple, 01271 321171

# Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July

## 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

