

A message from Mrs. Denham

This is to let you know that I will be having surgery in Wonford Hospital, Exeter to have a knee replacement soon - a result of doing too much sport when I was younger!!

I will be out of action for a few weeks but will be available by phone or e mail and will popping in and out of school to support the many events happening in the build up to Christmas.

Wow, Wow, Wow!!! What a fantastic evening at the PTA Auction Night, they managed to raise, with the help of some extremely generous bidders a profit of £8,600. A massive thank you to all the local people who so kindly donated lots, to the parents grandparents, family and friends who kindly bid on the lots and to James, the magnificent auctioneer, for his fast pace and witty nature which kept us entertained throughout. Finally the biggest thank you must go to the PTA committee and especially Julie Farr for all the hard work and dedication they put into organising such a wonderful event.

PTA Bags2School – raised £64.00

Holywell is a NO NUT Zone.

Driving through; Eastacombe and Tawstock, including the Open-reach work on Monday 13th November.

Please can we remind parents, grandparents and friends, about driving safely when dropping off or collecting children from school. The lanes around the school and through the villages of Tawstock and Eastacombe are fairly narrow and in places the visibility is poor, due to obstacles. We also now have a number of parents who walk their children to school from both directions and I am sure you will all agree that we do not want to be dealing with a collision. So please remember to take extra care and to keep your speed down. You all have children at the school and I am sure you will agree that there safety and the safety of the residence of Eastacombe and Tawstock is paramount

In addition to this you will have also seen the road closure notices on both sides of the school. We have now made contact with the Traffic Management Company who work on behalf of Open-reach. They have stated that the road will be open for drop off in the morning and that **by law** there has to be access to the school throughout the day. The road is due to open at 3:30 pm; however this may be earlier so we will keep you up to date by text message during the day. We will speak with the workmen on Monday morning.

Operation Christmas Child

Holywell are giving some shoeboxes to Operation Christmas Child this year. We have a limited time frame but would really love the children to bring in one or two items to put in the boxes, so if your child would like to donate and you are able to get one or two things at the weekend, we would really appreciate your gifts. Children's Ethos Committee will then put the boxes together and deliver them to Grosvenor church. A letter is coming out about this and you can also find more information here:

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox/> Please bring your gifts in by Wednesday 15th November.

School News

Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to **Lannah Barrow** on qualifying and being selected for the South-West Gymnastics squad. What an achievement, all your hard work and dedication is certainly paying off. Well done.

Congratulations also to **Louie Isaac**, who has this week, received a Blue Peter badge for his Lego castle and letter. Well done.

School Council

A huge well done; to the following children who have been elected by their classes to be their school council for this year.

Chair Person - Leah Smith

Vice Chair Person - Francesca Lewis

Secretaries: Aidan Milton and Kyle Smith

Events Organisers: Billy Dudden and Reegan Fowler

Squirrel's class representatives: Kodie Harmer and Cooper Vine

Foxes class representatives: Lannah Barrow and Madison Wilson

Hedgehog's class representatives: Thomas Smallridge and Tia Evans

Robin's Representative: Willow Isaac

Mrs. Hammond looks forward to working with you to make Holywell the best school that it can be!

Children in Need

The school council are organising the following events for this years 'Children in Need';

- Best dressed Teddy Competition – theme spots – prices for the best dressed in each year group. To enter the cost is 50p.
- Dress up for the day, in Onesie, PJ's or wear spots. To do this you will be charged 50p.
- Spare change on 'Pudsey'.
- Donations for a cake sale after school – If you are able to donate cakes please bring them to school in the morning. Please come and buy a delicious cake for a good cause.

PE Kit - Now that the colder weather is with us can you please make sure that your child's PE kit, which is left at school contains trainers as well as plimsolls, long trousers and shorts, a t-shirt and a warm top.

Pre-School, Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 – Please can you make sure that your child has a change of clothes in with their PE kit, in case of accidents.

North Devin Cross Country League - Coxleigh Barton

A huge well done; to the children who attended the cross country event on Sunday. It was a very challenging course and the rainfall over night made the conditions very slippery underfoot. The wind was also something of a challenge. This said as always the children did absolutely amazing, battling the conditions to secure some more amazing finishes. A big thank you to the parents who also braved the weather to support the children - we do appreciate you all!

Results were:

U9 Girls: Madison Wilson 11th, Lottie Perfect: 15th

U9 Boys: Riley Lloyd 20th

U11 Girls: Tiana Comer 11th, Leah Smith 24th, Isabelle Westaway 28th, Holly Perfect 42nd

U11 Boys: Findlay Lloyd 27th, Aidan Milton 46th

School Meal payment to St Michael's

Please note that their new bank details are as follows:

Lloyds TSB

St Michael's Learning centres LTD

Sort code: 30-90-49

Account Number: 53005660

News from the PTA

Christmas Fayre will be at Roundswell Community Centre on Saturday 9 December from 10am - 3pm. £10 per table: plus a donation for the raffle. If anyone would like a stall they can let us know.



50/50 CLUB

This week's winner is

Sam Hammond

Congratulations on winning £9.50

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

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.

Monday	Netball	Mrs. Hammond	Yrs. 3,4,5&6	
Tuesday	Pottery	Mrs Coulam	YR, R, 1 & 2	No Club - Parents Evening
Tuesday	Football	Mr Dymond	Yrs. 3,4,5&6	
Wednesdays	Guardians of Ancorra	Mrs. Turner		
Thursday	Staff Meetings			Parents Evening
Friday	Cross Country	Mrs Hammond	Yrs. 3,4,5&6	

Diary Dates – forthcoming events

Term Dates

Last day of the autumn term – Friday 15th December, 2017

Start of the Spring term – Tuesday 3rd January, 2018

Diary Dates

Swim & Gym: Year 3 & 4, 31st October and November 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th. Please remember to collect your child from the Leisure centre of Tarka Tennis centre at 3pm.

Official Jumper Day: Friday 15th December. The children can also wear Christmas jumpers on the 1st & 8th December for a one off payment of 50p per child.

HW Swap Shop: Wednesday 13th December

Christmas Lunch: Thursday 14th December

Christmas Service: Thursday 14th December

Christmas performances: Wednesday 6th December – 3.30 pm, Thursday 7th December – 2 pm and Friday 8th December – 6 pm.

Community News
Tawstock Village Hall

Christmas Bingo

Thursday 7th December 7.30 at Tawstock Village Hall

Tea & Coffee available

Raffle

All Funds towards Village Hall Fund

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. Michael's Nursery **Wrap around service; Breakfast Club and After School Club.** For many years we have offered wrap around care exclusive to Holywell and we are proud to have strong links with your fantastic school. To ensure the service is viable we need to be sure of high level of demand to meet increasing costs of running the nursery and additional services.

Many families at other primary schools have asked us to consider drop/collection at their schools and, should numbers remain low at Holywell we are looking at the logistics of their requests.

We are offering our breakfast and afterschool to Holywell parents before other schools and these places are on a first come first served basis. Katie loves her daily trips to Tawstock!

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

SATURDAY SCIENCE CLUB

2D Stop Motion Workshop

Saturday 18th November @ Barnstaple Library



A BUG'S LIFE

Unleash your creativity in this fabulous workshop to create a film starring bugs & creepy crawlies using 2-D stop motion animation. Share the final movie with friends and family. Get close to real-life critters, learn about their amazing life cycles & other activities.



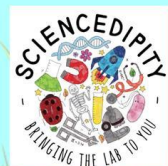
www.smallworldanimations.com

Suitable for all primary school aged kids. £15 per child.

Choose between am (10-12) or pm (1-3) session. Book via the website:

www.sciencedipity.co.uk/saturday-science-club/

Or email: sciencedipity@outlook.com



www.sciencedipity.co.uk

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 17th

THE OFFICIAL



South Molton
Town Council

CHRISTMAS

FEATURING



BBC TV & RADIO PRESENTER
DAVID FITZGERALD

LIGHTS SWITCH-ON

in the Square at 6.15pm

FOLLOWED
BY THE ANNUAL

FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR

in Central Car Park at 7pm

PLUS

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY IN THE PANNER MARKET

TOTAL WIPEOUT

INCLUDING

BUCKING BRONCO



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