



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.

This week we are also say a sad farewell to Miss. Purchase who has been with us at Holywell for the past 5 years. During this time she has been a valued part of our school team, and will be sadly missed by all staff and children. We would like to wish her all the very best in her new job.

Preschool

We still have places available in Pre-school on all days. Pre-school is a valued part of our school community and is an important link to the success of the school which we are very keen to keep as a thriving asset to the school. If you know of anyone who has not been able to find a place or would like some extra hours, please ask them to contact Mrs. Denham or Elaine at adminh@gatewayfed.org.uk or (01271) 345908.

Further information regarding funding can be found here

<http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

You can apply for your 11 digit code from the HMRC at

<https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/applynow>

Devon Early Years and Childcare Service

Website: <https://new.devon.gov.uk/eys/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/devoneycs>

Holywell is a NO NUT Zone.

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 you would like a stall please let them know.

They are also planning the hampers to raffle at the Christmas performances and Christmas Fayre, and are looking for donations. If you are able to help them with a donation of goodies for these, (Nibbles, biscuits, chutney, cheese etc., please leave your donations in the box in the school office or pass them to a member of the PTA committee. Thank you for your support.

Admissions for September, 2018: children born between 1st September, 2013 and 31st August, 2014.

The online booking system for those children who are due to start school in September 2018 opened this week on Wednesday 15th November and will close at midnight on January 15th, 2017. You can apply on-line at; www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline or if you cannot access the school admissions website you can get more information by calling the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019 or email:

primaryschooladmissions@devon.gov.uk

School News

Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to **Rhys Gordon** who has achieved his orange belt in Karate. Well done Rhys.

Robin and Hedgehog class

Mrs. Turner & Mrs. Coulam would like to say a big thank you to Donna Reeves and her brother Dan for making the visit to see their father's Traction engines possible and for talking to the children about them and showing them round. Also, another big thank you to: all the parents who gave up their time to help with escorting the children up the road which made the visit possible. Thank you.

News from the PTA



50/50 CLUB

This week's winner is

Charles Gordon

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	No Club on Mon 27th November
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		Last session for this club was Weds 15th November
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.

Photo Booth – Friday 1st December

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. Tickets will be available soon.

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

Circuits

Every Tuesday

9 – 9.45 am, in the village hall.

£4 pay as you go

All fitness levels welcome

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St. Michael's
NURSERY

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!

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

Contact Estelle Liepa for more info or just turn up.

07973 533668



CHRISTMAS BINGO

THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2017

7.30 PM

TEA & COFFEE

**WITH RAFFLE
ALL FUNDS TOWARDS VILLAGE HALL FUNDS**



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

