

A message from Mrs. Denham

Well what a busy end of term it has been! We couldn't quite believe it when we got the call from OFSTED on Monday afternoon for Bratton Fleming exactly 2 weeks after we had the call for Holywell!! You will be receiving the inspection report for Holywell soon, but due to the Easter holidays it will now be after the break. I am so proud of all the children for being real ambassadors of Holywell School. The inspector was very impressed with their behaviour and attitudes to learning.

I also want to praise our wonderful Governors for their superb support through the whole process in both schools

. They are a tremendous group who give so much - and all of it voluntarily. A special THANK YOU must go to Mrs. Linda Watt, chair of the Governors who gives so much time, energy and support.

Thank you to everyone who supported us at our Easter Service yesterday. We hope you enjoyed it.

I wish you all a very happy Easter and hope you have a wonderful holiday. Let's hope the sun shines.

We return to school just after the Easter weekend on **TUESDAY April 18th 2017.**

School News

Pupil Achievements:

Congratulations and well done to: Holly Tanton who has achieved the ASA Rainbow scheme 5 m swimming award.

Letters sent home this week

Years 5 & 6 – North Devon Taiko Project

Reception and Years 1 & 2 – Wow End note

All year groups - Fizz Pop Science.

Reception, Year 1 & 2 – Trip letter to Northam Burrows and Westward Ho! On Thursday 27th April, 2017

Year 5 & 6 – Letter asking for swimming ability.

North Devon School's Gymnastics competition

On Sunday 26th March a team of children from Holywell participated in the North Devon Schools gymnastics competition at Falcon's gym.

It was a very busy day, with all of the Holywell children showing off their amazing gymnastic talents. The children's application and team spirit was delightful to see, as were the smiles on their faces. Thank you all for representing the school and making Mrs Hammond a very, very proud teacher.

An extra big well done to; **Bobby Barrow**, who not only won the U7 Novice Boys competition, but completed his floor routine to such a high and accurate standard that he won the award for the highest floor score in the entire competition. Bobby's silverware did not end here, as his developing talents as a gymnast were noticed by the judges and he was also awarded the trophy for 'Most promising gymnast'! A phenomenal achievement in his first competition.

Madison Wilson achieved an individual silver medal in the U9 Intermediate girls and also achieved the highest score on floor for her age and intermediate element of the competition.

Within the team segment of the competition, Holywell once again did very well with lots of medals being collected:

U9 Novice boys: Charlie Wileman, Cooper Vine, Fred Cockbain and Louie Isaac – 2nd

U9 Intermediate Girls: Anastasia Evans, Holly Perfect, Lottie Perfect and Isabelle Westaway – 3rd

U9 Intermediate Mixed: Charlie Wileman, Fred Cockbain, Cooper Vine and Madison Wilson – 3rd

U11 Novice Mixed: Summah Barrow, Tabitha Andrews, Francesca Lewis, Oliver Lardner and Monty Andrews – 2nd

U11 Intermediate Mixed: Summah Barrow, Tabitha Andrews, Francesca Lewis and Monty Andrews – 3rd

Individual Results are as follows:

U7 Novice: Bobby Barrow 3rd (1st Boy), Maisy Wileman 30th, Sophia Rosser 30th, Emily Madden 35th, Matilda Matthews 37th, Chloe Jenkins 55th, Tia Evans 57th, Grace-Anne Bearman 59th, Ruby Evans 63rd, Flossie Evans 70th, Evangeline Ingle 84th, Henry Clarke 86th, Chloe Williams 87th, Poppy Westaway 93rd

U9 Novice: Holly Perfect 28th, Lottie Perfect 56th, Cooper Vine 63rd, Isabelle Westaway 69th, Fred Cockbain 85th, Charlie Wileman 98th, Louie Isaac 99th

U9 Intermediate: Madison Wilson 2nd, Anastasia Evans 16th, Holly Perfect 17th, Lottie Perfect 23rd, Isabelle Westaway 29th, Charlie Wileman 32nd, Cooper Vine 34th, Fred Cockbain 35th

U11 Novice: Summah Barrow 7th, Tabitha Andrews 13th, Monty Andrews 33rd, Francesca Lewis 54th, Oliver Lardner 54th

U11 Intermediate: Summah Barrow 34th, Tabitha Andrews 40th, Monty Andrews 47th, Francesca Lewis 50th

Special Mentions:

A big thank you and well done to: **Lottie Perfect, Louie Isaac and Monty Andrews** who participated in the age group above their actual age so that the school would have a team for the competition – just think how prepared you will be next year!

Finally, a special mention needs to go to **Mrs. Barrow** (Summah, Lannah and Bobby's mum) who kindly gave up her day to support Mrs Hammond and the children at the event. Due to the way the competition runs if this support was not given then we would not have been able to have entered the large number of teams that we did – **Mrs. Barrow** your support, patience and encouragement was/is very much appreciated.

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



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	Starts on the 25th April, 2017
Tuesday	Rounders'	Miss Purchase	Y3,4,5 & 6	Starts on the 25th April, 2017. No Netball Club during the Summer term
Wednesday	Athletics	Mrs Hammond	Y3,4,5 & 6	A start date will be given on our return after Easter. No X Country Club during the Summer term.
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

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

Free to a good home, 2 green plastic compost bins, call 01272 323151.

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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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

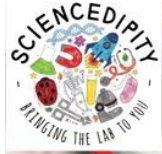
Holiday Club for children aged 5-11:

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

Enhancing Teaching & Learning using Technology

Easter iPad Animation

£25 per person

Workshop

10am - 2pm

Venue: Super Heroes 63-64 Boutport St, Barnstaple

For more info & bookings EX31 1HG

Please contact James at digilearnit@gmail.com 07737 550528

DigiLearnIT

4th, 5th, 6th April 2017

Ages: 7-11

FREE Mini Figure

The BFGs
Barnstaple Library
Friends
Group.

**Nearly
New
Sale**

activity toys baby clothes bedding
Soft toys games maternity wear
newborn clothes shoes books toddler clothes

Saturday 29th April 2017

10.00am-2.00pm

Barnstaple Library

Entry £1 per adult

Sellers 9.00am - 3.00pm - Keep 100% of your takings.

£5 PER TABLE,
to be booked in advance
at Barnstaple Library



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Drama Workshop

Bring myths & legends to life in this adventurous drama workshop with

The Plough Youth Theatre

based on the shortlisted
Blue Peter Book Award

'Lost Tales' by
Adam & Lisa Murphy.



Barnstaple Library

Friday 7th April, 10.00am-1.00pm

Suitable for children aged 8+
(Parents not required to stay)

£4 per child, to be paid at the
time of booking



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WOW Scrapstore

Invite you to make some Easter related crafts with a difference...

Barnstaple Library

Thursdays 6th & 13th April

Drop in any time between 10.30 & 4pm

Suitable for of all ages!

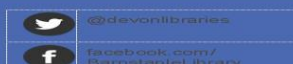


Donations will be welcome on the day to help cover costs.

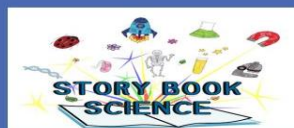
All children remain the responsibility of the accompanying adult.



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Story Book Science with Sciencedipity



Barnstaple Library

Monday 3rd April

Drop in anytime between 10.00 & 12noon

Play with magnets and see what sticks!

Suitable for pre-school aged children.



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