

Sticklepath School Newsletter

Happy New Year!

Welcome back – I hope you all had an enjoyable and fun if not necessarily restful Christmas Break!

We have lots of exciting things to look forward to this term. The topics the children will be learning about – Mayans, Romans, Egyptians just to give you a flavour – look amazing with visiting storytellers, trips out and open days planned for you to see and share your child's learning. You will be able to see the topic webs on the school website by the end of next week.

Spring Term is also book week term (Week beginning 27th February) and Mrs Oke is busy plotting and planning the school's now famous book week and World Book Day celebrations – start preparing your costumes now!

We would like to welcome Hannah Elsom, our new Year 3 teacher, who joined us this week and to welcome back Mr Barstow who will be teaching two afternoons a week in Upper KS2.

Great to see you back Mr Barstow!

A list of dates for your diaries will follow in next week's newsletter.



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NORTH DEVON SCHOOLS GYMNASTICS COMPETITION

For those of you at the school gym club please return your letter asap to indicate whether you wish to compete in this competition. If there are any other gymnasts in school that train for more than an hour each week that would be interested in doing the Intermediate competition please let Mrs Gaunt know and she will try and put a team together (this depends on ages, numbers and coaching availability). All names must be in by 20th January please. No late entries will be accepted. Thanks.



Volunteers Needed



The school is in need of volunteers to help throughout the year. You may like to help with anything from reading, weeding, walking, trips, events and all sorts more. All volunteers are DBS checked - there is no charge for this. You will need to let the school have a recent utility bill with your address clearly seen, a valid passport /current driver's licence or birth/marriage certificate which will be returned to you. So pop in and see your child's teacher or the Admin team for more information.

Don't Delay - Offer Today!

MINDSET CELEBRATION AWARDS

Lily Shaddick
Eveline Seymour
Heidi Smith
Jack Grant
Ines Remisio
Matthew Higgs
Ava Basil
Callum Law
Rachel Coleman
Charlie Wall
Jamie Watts
Freya Gayton
Sienna Miller
Macy Wheeldon

Class of the Week!

RPR

100%

Attendance w/e 16/12/2016

AMAZING!



Headlice Alert

Please inspect
your child's
hair for nits
and take
appropriate
action to
prevent
the further spread
of this infestation.

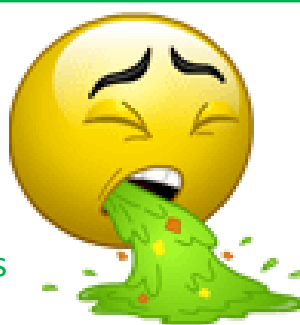


★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!

Lauren Parsley
Chloe Savage
Elle-Louise Meakin



Recently we have had several children absent from school due to sickness. We would like to remind parents that if your child is sick they must not return to school until two days after the last vomiting episode.





School Nursing Service

The School Nursing service across Devon is required to make sure all children and young people in Devon's maintained schools, colleges and academies have access to a School Nurse 52 weeks a year, (not just when schools are open) to provide information and support to all school aged children.

We will also be working in partnership with schools to:

- ◆ Support the development of health policies that impact on children and young people.
- ◆ Complement health- related classroom based programmes.
- ◆ Support children and young people with medical conditions, to ensure they access the whole curriculum and are not disadvantaged.
- ◆ Ensure that school staff have the information they need to support children with health concerns.
- ◆ Provide drop in sessions in arrangement with secondary schools
- ◆ We are running drop-in sessions in the community for all school aged children.

The School Nurse normally works from 09:00 until 17:00 however we will do our best to make ourselves available to you outside of these hours.

Our community clinics drop ins are on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at Barnstaple Health Centre.

You can contact your local school nurse Christine England by ringing 01271 341500.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's health and how they can be supported in school please contact your School Nurse.

From September 2015 we will not be routinely testing reception hearing. Should you have any concern regarding your child's hearing at any time please contact the School Nurse, class Teacher or your GP for further guidance / assessment.

If you have recently moved in from abroad and want to check if your child requires a BCG vaccination please contact the School Nurse for further information. All children under the age of



Fancy getting know some other parents/carers at school? Want to do some exercise but can't get a baby sitter? Want to get fit? and maybe even lose some weight?

Well then come along and join in the School gate running group. We meet on a Tuesday morning at 9 am at the school gate. We aim to run/ jog/ walk 5K (3.2 miles ish). The group is non competitive and every ability is welcome. The group is available for Mums, Dads, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles, everyone is welcome. No need to worry about a baby sitter, bring along your little person in a pram. We aim to have fun, build our confidence and get moving. There is NO fee attached to this group. We would to see some new faces and would be very pleased to welcome anyone that wants to join us.

If you would like anymore information please contact Caz (Heidi and Esme's Mum) for more information. 07977566857.



The donations from the Christmas Performances raised £245 and the Christmas Jumper Day £120. The Wallace & Gromit Children's Charity will receive £365 in total. A huge thankyou to everyone for supporting the School Council charity collection this year.

PTFA

January lottery winners:

1st £15 Gina Venn

2nd £10 Nicola Brayley

3rd £5 Marie Brewster

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Watch this space- we have more activities arriving soon.

PTFA AGM- A reminder that future events such as discos, refreshments and prizes at Book Week, Easter raffles, etc are dependent on your involvement with the PTFA. Your current committee will be standing down, so this is a good time for you and your friends to think about how you might like to contribute in the future. It can be as much or as little as suits you. Remember the P stands for parents- that's dads as well as mums- and the F stands for friends, so grandparents etc are eligible to be involved too. Many hands really do make light work! And you can determine what you spend money on in and around the school for the children.

The AGM has been booked for **Tuesday 24th January 2017**, 7.30pm in the staffroom. Book the date in your diary now and sort out your child-minding!

Forthcoming Dates:

Tuesday 24th January 2017 PTFA AGM, 7.30pm, staffroom



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12th January 2017



Dates for your Diary

7/1	Morning	Slimming World
8/1	Morning	Coastal Community Church
Mon 9/1	9-10am 12.15-1pm 3.30-4.15pm	Parent Café - RBL/KHA Shanghai Visit Yr1 Cross Country Yr5/6 Netball Club
Tue 10/1	12.30-1pm 3.30-4.15pm Evening	Yr2/3 Cross Country Yr1 Start to Move Club Slimming World
Wed 11/1	Morning Lunchtime Lunchtime 3.30-4.30pm 3.30-4.15	Keyboards Ukulele Club KS2 Activity Club Cookery Club Yr3/4 Handball
Thur 12/1	Lunchtime 1-3pm 3.30-4.30pm 3.30-4.15pm Evening	Yr4/5/6 Cross Country Yr2 Swimming - Remember Swimming Costume! Drama Club Yr4/5/6 Hockey Club Tarka Starlightz
Fri 13/1	Morning Lunchtime Evening	Guitars Yr1/2 Activity Club Bingo



SCHOOL DINNERS

Mon	Pork meatballs in homemade Italian tomato sauce served with fusilli pasta and homemade focaccia	Vegetarian falafel balls in homemade Italian tomato sauce served with fusilli pasta and homemade focaccia	Homemade coconut shortcake
Tues	Hot dog with fried onions and tomato ketchup served with baked jacket wedges with baked beans or sweetcorn	Veggie Dog with fried onions and tomato ketchup served with baked jacket wedges with baked beans or sweetcorn	Homemade iced sponge
Weds	Fresh roast beef and Yorkshire pudding served with roast potatoes, carrots and cabbage with gravy	Homemade cauliflower cheese served with roast potatoes, carrots and cabbage	Mandarin Jelly
Thurs	Homemade pepperoni pizza served with curly fries, sweetcorn, coleslaw and potato salad	Homemade Margarita pizza served with curly fries, sweetcorn, coleslaw and potato salad	Muller strawberry fruit corner yoghurt
Fri	Oven baked fish fingers served with golden fries and seasonal vegetables	Cheese salad wrap served with golden fries and seasonal vegetables	Homemade custard biscuits

Payment for dinners Online www.schoolgateway.com or cash in advance/on the day

Jacket potato with beans and cheese is available every day.
Please place your order in the morning register

Letters to Parents

Forest School Spring Term timetable RPR/CRO/MTO/LLO/EDA/MPE/DSM/ABA

Yr6 History workshop for 17/1/2017

Consent forms for Dental Survey. Only for randomly selected Rec/Yr1 children so not all children will have these.

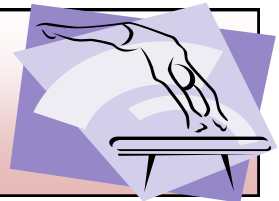
Yr3 PE Kit letters.

Reminders

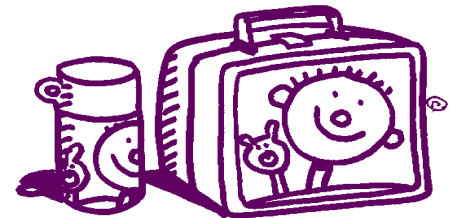
Yr 2 Swimming Sessions start 12/1/2017. Please ensure payment is made before the Swim sessions start and remember to bring your swimming stuff on Thursdays!

Gym Club

Starts Next week
16th January 2017



There are a number of forgotten drinks bottles and lunch boxes in the CWI/EMA areas that need to be claimed. Please have a look to see if any belong to your child.



Forest School Timetable Up to Half Term

Day/times	am	pm
Mon	RPR	CRO
Tues	MTO	LLO
Wed	EDA	MPE
Thur	DSM	ABA

Schoolgateway

The School's preferred method of payment is now online at schoolgateway.com