



Newsletter

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In Our Lady's Catholic Primary School we learn about God and try to follow his footsteps by showing care and respect for one another.

Thank you

It has been another busy year so I would like to take the time to say thank you to everyone involved in our wonderful community. We should all be very proud of the fantastic school we have and we would like to say thank you all for the support you give to the children and staff.

I am lucky to have an amazing team who support each and every child to be the very best they can be. We are going off to re-charge our batteries but we will be back raring to go in September!

For those not coming back in September I would like to say thank you and good luck in your new adventures. We will be sad to see our wonderful Year 6 children leave but we know they are ready to fly the nest and be brilliant in their new schools.

We are also saying goodbye to four much loved members of staff who have served our community with passion and love. We wish Mrs McPherson, Miss Knill, Miss Cannon and Mr Barnard all the very best for their future.

We wish Miss Mitchell every happiness for her wedding to Richard in August and she will return to school as Mrs Tucker.

I wish you all a happy and peaceful summer!
God Bless

Rob Meech, Principal

Summer Term Dates

A reminder that Prayer and Praise takes place every Thursday morning from 9.15am. All parents, carers and friends are welcome.

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| 13th July | Cake Sale 9.15am |
| 13th July | End of year reports sent home |
| 13th July | Swallow Class Bikeability |
| 13th July | PTFA Ice-Cream Friday 3.15pm |
| 17th July | ROBINS trip to Dinosaur Park |
| 19th July | Whole school open evening 6-7.30pm |
| 20th July | PTFA Non School Uniform Day £1 |
| 20th July | PTFA Ice-Cream Friday 3.15pm |
| 20th July | Year 6 Leavers Disco 5-7pm |
| 23rd July | End of Year Mass, St Mary's Church 10am |
| 23rd July | Night at the Musicals Performance Year 4 & 5 parents only 6-7pm |
| 24th July | Sports Day—Pilton Community College 10am |
| 25th July | Last day of term |
| 4th Sept | School Open for uniform sales (Jumper and PE T-Shirts only) |
| 5th Sept | School Open for uniform sales (Jumper and PE T-Shirts only) |
| 6th Sept | Autumn Term Starts for Pupils |
| 10th Sept | New Reception Children Start |

Head Boy and Head Girl

Head Boy—Oscar Meech
Head Girl—Savannah Fiddes
Deputy Head Boy—Woody Farmery
Deputy Head Girl—Lola Ridgeway

Well done to the above pupils who have carried out their responsibilities and duties superbly.

**School returns for Pupils to commence the Autumn Term on Thursday 6th September 2018.
Reception Children start on Monday 10th.**



Barn-a-b's at Our Lady's

If your child is starting school in September, we will be giving you a copy of your child's transition document. A copy will go to the Robin's teacher, Miss Nash to help her and

Mrs Patchett get a picture of your child. This ensures a smooth transition and helps to give them the best start.

All new Robins should have an appointment with Miss Nash booked in for either Thursday 6th or Friday 7th September. There will be no school for the Robins on these two days. School will start full time on Monday 10th September. We are looking forward to seeing all the new Robins dressed in their uniforms. They have been a delightful class.

Please come to the whole school art evening on 19th July from 6-7.30pm. We will be showcasing lots of the children's artwork and auctioning our wonderful collaborative art canvas. There will be a special preview at 5.45pm just for the leavers in Barn A B's. Come and join us we celebrate your child's journey with us and present them with their leavers gift.

We wish all our children an enjoyable summer break and look forward to welcoming you back again in September.



Reach for the Stars!

Well done to the following children who have had achievements in the following areas:

Well done to **Summer-Jayne Robins-Ridd** who was awarded a medal and trophy at the Future Cheerleading Internationals 2018.

Congratulations to **Bethan Silverlock** who earned a finishers medal for competing in a Junior Triathlon in Penzance recently.

Well done to **Maddison Daniel** and **Reggie Staddon** who were awarded certificates for being able to swim 50m.

It is wonderful to be able to celebrate the hard work and talents of our pupils. Children are invited to bring in their certificates, medals and good news on a Thursday morning so that they can be given out at assembly and celebrated in the school newsletter.

PTFA Cake Sale—Thank You

Thank you to everyone that supported the PTFA cake sale today. The money raised today will go towards additional play equipment for the children.

We would especially like to thank Boston Tea Party who very kindly donated cakes and cookies for us to sell.



PTFA Events

The PTFA will be holding a non uniform day on Friday 20th July. Children can come to school wearing whatever they like (sports wear, princess dresses, superhero outfits, or just their own clothes). Please bring £1.

Ice-cream Fridays will be held after school, in the hall, on Friday 13th and 20th July.

We would welcome interest from any parents, carers or friends who would like to be involved in the PTFA committee from September. There will be a committee meeting near the start of the new term. Please see Mrs Hobson, Chair of PTFA.

The PTFA are committed to raising money for the school and your children.

Thank you to everyone that has supported the PTFA events during the year.

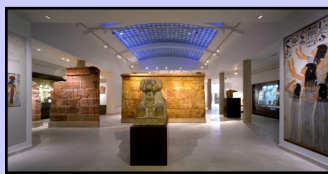
Our Lady's Open Evening presents

'Night at the Museum II'

6pm until 7.30pm

Thursday 19th July

All children, family and friends are welcome to come and view children's work at our whole school topic open evening and bid for children's art work in our famous auction!



Congratulations

Very well done to the following children who have recently achieved Headteacher Awards:

Harvey Moore	Adam Dyer
Reggie Staddon	Nathan Davis x2
Harriet Routley	Alfie Boreham
Finley Daniel	



We are very proud of you

Attendance

The attendance rates for all our classes for the academic year 2017/18 are as follows:-



Robin	95.3%
Heron	95.4%
Puffin	95.8%
Owl	96.5%
Eagle	96.9%
Kingfisher	96.5%
Swallow	97.2%
School Total	96.5%

End of Year Reports

End of Year Reports will be sent home with your children today. If you have any questions or would like to arrange a meeting with your child's teacher to discuss this further there will be an opportunity to meet with them on Monday 23rd July. Please ask your child's teacher for a mutually convenient appointment time.

School Clubs

Please note that this was the last week for Homework Club for years 3-6.

The last Rounders Club will take place on Monday 16th July and the last Tennis Club will take place on Friday 20th July.

Our Breakfast Club and After School clubs are available to book until the end of term.

Year 6 Leavers Mass 2018

Monday 23rd July 10.00am

This celebration Mass is for all members of our school community; children, staff, parents, parishioners and governors.

You can meet us at St Mary's Church for a 10.00am start or help accompany our children from school to church on the day. Please contact your child's class teacher if you can help walk down, otherwise we'll see you there.

School Council

Thank you to the School Council for their hard work and enthusiasm towards improving their school for the benefit of all pupils. Thanks go to:-

ROBIN	Charlie Yeaman Ivy Hleza
HERON	Immanuel Mathew Chloe Brown
PUFFIN	Harry Barnard
OWL	George Kerswell Summer-Jayne Robins-Ridd
EAGLE	Amelie Lear K-Lib Groves
KINGFISHER	Lola Meech George Roberts
SWALLOW	Lola Ridgeway Drew Phillips Salvatore Telese

House Captains

Thank you for the commitment of the House Captains in promoting good citizenship this year.

St Cecelia:	Millie Bishop Alphy Siby Cherian
St Anthony:	Drew Phillips Chase Spencer
St Bernadette:	Kayleigh Lancey Sheetal Mathew
St John Fisher:	Sophie Phillips Carlie Tucker

Gifted and Talented Athletics Taster Day

Sixteen of our Year 4 and Year 5 children attended a Gifted and Talented Athletics Taster Day at Pilton Community College recently. Well done to Alfie Richardson, Alfie Gating, Lola Meech, Arrianne Henry, Hannah Bale, Ella Pawley, Charlie Jeffery, Harvey Dennis, Lewis Wonnacott, Kodi Harmer, Colbie-Rae Gammon, Amelie Lear, Lewis Wonnacott, Hayden Rigler, Bethan Silverlock and Adam Lawlor-Smith.



Sports Day—Tuesday 24th July

This day will be held on the school field at Pilton Community College between 10am and 2pm on Tuesday 24th July. Children should come to school wearing their PE kits and should have a sunhat, suncream, plenty of water, packed lunch (unless a school packed lunch has been booked) and a waterproof coat. If any parents can lend us easy to put up gazebos to keep the children in the shade please speak to your class teacher.

If you can help accompany our children on the walk to and from PCC, please contact your child's class teacher. Parents who wish to take children home after the presentations at 2pm on the day must collect their children from their class teacher. Children will have their lunch at around 12.15. Children who's parents are not attending sports day will be walking back to school to be collected at normal finishing time of 3.15pm.

Night at the Musicals

Monday 23rd July 2018

6-7pm

Year 4 & 5 Classes only



All parents, family and friends are welcome to come to the school hall and watch a performance by our Year 4 and 5 children of songs from the musicals.

School Uniform

As we approach a new school year, many parents will already be purchasing items of school uniform. Jumpers, PE T-shirts and book bags can all be purchased direct from the school office. All other items can be purchased at the supermarkets. At Our Lady's, part of our identity is our school uniform, and we pride ourselves in this. Therefore, I urge parents to ensure that children are sent to school wearing the correct, labelled uniform in September. The required school uniform, including the correct PE kit is:

Girls

Navy blue pinafore or pleated skirt
School Navy Jumper
White blouse—short or long sleeves with buttons
Socks or Tights—navy
Shoes—black school shoes (not trainers)
Summer: Blue and white checked dress (from Asda)

Boys

Grey tailored trousers/ grey shorts
School Navy Jumper
Blue shirt or blue Polo shirt
Navy Blue Tie (to be worn with shirt)
Socks—grey
Shoes—black school shoes (not trainers)

PE Kit for Girls and Boys

Trainers
School PE T-Shirt
Navy Shorts
Navy Tracksuit Bottoms can be worn in cold weather

Samuel Daw, in Cross Street, offers an embroidery service from only £2-3 per initials. It takes about twenty minutes and can be done while you wait. It may be just the answer for ensuring that your child can recognise their school jumper among over 200! It is perfectly acceptable to have your child's initials embroidered underneath the neck on the back of the jumper.

Jewellery, with the exception of watches and small stud earrings, is not allowed. Make-up and nail varnish should not be worn to school.

Samuel Daws are now no longer selling our School Jumpers and PE T-Shirts. We are holding a stock of these in school and these can be purchased from the school office. All other items of uniform can be purchased from local supermarkets. Mrs Silverlock will be available in the school office until school breaks up on Wednesday 25th July and on two days before the children return to school on Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th September. Children return for the Autumn Term on Thursday 6th September. Reception class children start on Monday 10th September.

Please purchase new water bottles, book bags, Jumpers, PE T-Shirts or summer hats from the school office as required.

Tarka School of Gymnastics are offering a FREE FIRST SESSION

The coaches at Tarka Gymnastics would like to invite you down to Tarka School of Gymnastics, their purpose built gymnasium, for a 6 Week gymnastics term. They recommend 6+ Weeks to ensure use all of the equipment and learning the basic skills and disciplines of gymnastics. This will incorporate power, strength, flexibility, speed, co-ordination, balance and discipline.

The first ONE HOUR session is **free**.

**Please phone if interested:- Laura 07557552382
Millie 07512602832**

Goodbye and good luck to
all the pupils, parents and
staff who are leaving us at
the end of term. May you be
blessed with much joy and
happiness in the years
ahead.

We wish you all a safe and
happy summer holiday.

THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT

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SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2018



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Summer Events

Tuesday 14 August– 10.00-12.00

**Design & make a 3D printed
speech bubble badge**



Tuesday 14 August– 14.00-16.00

**Design & make a Beano inspired
laser cut prop**



Monday 20 August– 10.00-12.00

Design & make a slogan t-shirt

Monday 20 August-14.00-16.00

**Design & make a 3D printed
speech bubble badge**



Workshops suitable for children aged 8+.

Booking via fablabdevon.org/childrens-workshops/

Tickets - £7.50 per child.

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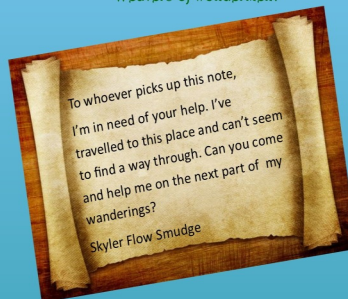
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Children's Storytelling Workshop

Enchanted Wanderers...
Weavers of wonderment



Come with me on my journey into a new world filled with *enchanted* creatures where we'll play with *CIRCUS* equipment, make *MUSIC*, create *ART* and let our imaginations guide us into telling the rest of my story, ready to be shared at the end of the workshop.

Circus
Art
Drama
Music

What's Beyond the Door? Tour

August 2018

6th Taunton, St Andrew's Church Hall

7th Barnstaple, Barnstaple Baptist Church

9th Plymouth, Guildhall

13th Weymouth, The Park Community Centre

14th Bournemouth, St Mark's Church

15th Salisbury, Dennis Marsh House

17th Exeter, Newtown Community Centre, Belmont Park

20th Exmouth, Marpool Primary School

21st Honiton, Mackarness Hall

22nd Newton Abbot, Bradley Barton Community Centre

24th Paignton, The Lucky 7 Club

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The workshop is run by two Primary School Teachers. DBS checked with Public Liability Insurance.



Summer Holiday Club

In Bideford & Barnstaple

WONKA SCIENCE

"My two children have taken part in several workshops with Sciencedipity and have absolutely loved them. They have come home buzzing with excitement" Gillian

What: Fun science holiday club

Who: Suitable for 7-11 year olds

Price: £35 per child

When: 8.30am - 4.30pm

30th July at Petroc, EX31 2BQ &

2nd August at Kingsley School, EX39 3LY

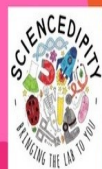
How: Book directly via the website:

www.sciencedipity.co.uk/school-holiday-science-clubs/

More: Contact Ruth on 07847006048 or sciencedipity@outlook.com



"My son loves coming to these sessions. Educational and fun at the same time." Fiona



Summer Holiday Club Bideford & Barnstaple

ART meets SCIENCE

What: Fun art & science holiday club

Who: Suitable for 5-11 year olds

Price: £35 per child

When: 8.30am - 4.30pm

1st August at Petroc, EX31 2BQ &

3rd August at Kingsley School, EX39 3LY

How: Book directly via the website:

www.sciencedipity.co.uk/school-holiday-science-clubs/

More: Contact Ruth on 07847006048 or sciencedipity@outlook.com

"He had an amazing time, coming back inspired with all things science." Lisa

"Great hands-on science activities always enjoyed by my two kids." Kate

"So much variation, endless activities and they have learnt loads!" Helen

