



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.

Congratulations

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

Rachel Stanworth	Ashton Cain
Harvey Moore	Brandon Edwards
Liam Curtis x2	Paige Loman
Cody Wonnacott x3	Billy O'Grady
Charlie Elshout	Maddison Daniel
Nathan Davis	Reese Elshout
Roe Hawkins x2	Joseph Smyth
Tyran Tucker x2	Isla O'Grady
Ruby Cannon	Ella-Mae Birchmore
Todd Thorne	Liam Claydon-O'Hara
Kori Skinner	Woody Farmery
Keiron Quick	Amber Ladyman x2
Kye West	Teagan Thorne
Errin Fee	Christy Raji
Taylor-Mai McGinlay	Sheetal Mathew
Angel Raji	Salvatore Telesse
Freddie Catchpole	Jake Langley
Summer Logan x2	Tyler Rudge
Jake Peterson x2	
Matthew Silverlock x3	
James Smith	

We are very proud of you



School Clubs

Below are the finishing dates of the clubs that are running this term.

Monday	Tag Rugby (Yr4,5&6) (4.15pm) Miss Sloman (Fee)
Tuesday	Homework (Yr 3&4) (4.15pm) Mr Meech and Staff Gardening Club (4.15pm) (by invitation) Miss Mitchell Netball (Yr 5&6) (4.15pm) Mrs Houle
Wednesday	Homework (Yr 5&6) (4.15pm) Mr Meech and Staff Karate (4.10pm) Mike Leverton (Fee)
Thursday	School Choir (4pm) Mrs Hynes
Friday	Tennis (Y1,2&3) (4.15pm) Miss Sloman (Fee) Play and Pray (Y3-Y6) (4.15pm) Mrs Cohen Starts Friday 27th January

Please ensure that you collect your child promptly at club finishing time. Thank you.

**The next newsletter will go home on:
Thursday 9th February 2017**



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

Barn-a-b's Meeting on Friday 27th at 3pm – POSTPONED. The committee are working really hard on the amalgamation process with the school. There will need to be an important meeting in the future when we can finalise plans and we will keep you updated on when this will be.

Our topic on dinosaurs is continuing and we are moving onto talking about skeletons and bones. This is fascinating to the children as we discover what is inside our bodies too! This week is also Chinese New Year and as it is the year of the rooster we are investigating chickens and eggs... what can your child tell you about this?

The teeth cleaning programme that we follow has been greatly praised by some positive research that shows huge benefit of children cleaning their teeth. In the setting the children clean their teeth, for 2 minutes, under supervision and the study found that they are more willing to do this at home. We will continue with this excellent programme.

Please keep an eye on the blackboard outside where Jess will update you on her cooking sessions. She aims to do this fortnightly and bringing in some new and exciting recipes for cooking with children.

We have half term coming up in a couple of weeks but do note that the Friday before (10th February) is a non-pupil day for both Barn-a-b's and Our Lady's.

Attendance

Congratulations to **OWL** who have the highest attendance so far this year at **97.3%** closely followed by **PUFFIN** at **96.7%**.



Please note there will be no toast for morning break on Monday 30th January. Toast can be ordered and paid for as normal for the rest of the week.

PTFA Film Night

The PTFA are raising funds to enable the school to purchase some more Chromebooks for classrooms. We are holding a Film Night for both KS1 and KS2 children on Thursday 9th February from 6pm until 7.30pm. Further details will be sent home shortly.

Dates

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

30th January 30th January	SWALLOW to see Billy Elliott School Netball Team match 3.30pm at Park School
31st January 1st February	KINGFISHER to see We Will Rock You at Park School EAGLE Swimming
1st February 6th February	School Netball Team Match at PCC Parent Consultations
7th February 7th February	Parent Consultations Internet Safety Day
8th February 8th February	EAGLE Swimming HERON Act of Worship 9.15am
9th February 9th February	Konflux Internet Safety Workshop Y5 & 6 2.45pm for parents School finishes for pupils 3.15pm
9th February 10th February	PTFA Film Night 6pm Non Pupil Day
20th February 22nd February	Pupils and Staff return to school Last EAGLE Swimming
22nd February 1st March	Holy Communion Session 5-6pm Ash Wednesday
1st March 1st March	OWL Swimming Holy Communion Session 5-6pm
2nd March 3rd March	OWL—Roman Workshop EAGLE Trip to Exeter Museum

Sainsbury's Active Kids

The school is taking part in the Sainsbury's Active Kids again this year. Vouchers will be given out in Sainsbury's from **January 25th until May 2nd**.

Please post your vouchers in the box in the school lobby.





Reach for the Stars!

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

Congratulations to the school athletics squad who represented the school at the semi-final of the inter school Sportshall Athletics Competition. Certificates were presented to:-

Patrick Henry
Matthew Silverlock
James Smith
Chase Spencer
Savannah Fiddes
Jake Langley
Lola Fiddes
Lexie Duncan
Lily Hammond
Lola Ridgeway
Kayleigh Lancey
Drew Phillips
Oskar Czechowski

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.

Star Learners

Very well done to the following children who were our Star Learners over the last fortnight. They are all invited to attend afternoon tea with Mr Meech on Thursday 9th February.



Harriett Routley
Leo Davis
Blake Moore
Oscar Yeaman
Alfie Richardson
Lola Ridgeway
Lexie Duncan
Tyler Rudge
Nohin Joseph
Patrick Henry
Poppy Shaddick-Banwell
Ella Pawley
Lillia Draif
Maddison Daniel



Swimming for OWL Class

OWL class will commence swimming for 6 weeks on Wednesday 1st March. Letters will be sent home shortly asking your permission for your child to wear goggles.

We ask for a small contribution of £6 to cover the cost of swimming lessons although these are still heavily subsidised by the school. Please ensure your child comes to school with their swimming kit and an appropriate coat to enable them to walk to the Leisure Centre. Thank you.

HERON Act of Worship

HERON class will be leading the Act of Worship on Wednesday 8th February. All parents, carers, grandparents and friends are welcome to attend this assembly at 9.15am.

Care Share Request

If anyone is willing to car share from the Bideford area please could you see Mrs Silverlock or Mrs Welland in the office for more details. Thank you.

On Line-Safety Workshop



Konflux Theatre is a trusted Theatre in Education company, working successfully throughout the UK for over 18 years. They are coming into school for the whole day on Thursday 9th February to hold an Internet Safety Workshop with Kingfisher and Swallow classes. These two classes will then be putting together a performance at 2.45pm. All parents, carers and friends are welcome to attend to watch the performance.

Code Club at Barnstaple Library

Would you like to learn how to make computer games, animations and websites? Then Code Club is for you.

For children aged 9 - 11
Wednesdays 4pm - 5pm

Booking essential. For more information or to sign up please contact the library.

01271 318782

barnstaple.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk

The school website continues to be updated regularly. Class information (including homework and parent information sheets) are all now on the website for this term.

The Spring Term Dinner Menu and the term dates for both 2016-17 and 2017-18 can also be found on the website.

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CAFOD are looking for School Volunteers: come and join our vibrant team who share the inspirational work of CAFOD in Catholic schools throughout the Diocese. No experience necessary - full training and expenses given. If you are confident speaking in front of groups and enthusiastic about the work of CAFOD, please get in touch with Simon Giarchi: 01752 268 768 or email plymouth@cafod.org.uk



Sometimes
I want to ask God
why He allows poverty, famine
and injustice in the world when He
could do something about it,
but I'm afraid He might just
ask me the
same question

5th North Devon Beavers, Cubs and Scouts at Bishops Tawton.



Please contact the emails below if your child is interested in joining either Beavers, Cubs or Scouts.

Beavers aged 6-8 contact
beavers@northdevonscouts.org.uk

Cubs aged 8-10.5 years contact
cubs@northdevonscouts.org.uk

Scouts aged 10.5-14 years contact
scouts@northdevonscouts.org.uk

Visit their website www.northdevonscouts.org.uk

Change to School Dinner Menu

Please note that the Beef Cobbler on Thursday 23rd February and 16th March will be replaced with Lasagne.

Save North Devon Theatres

The Queens Theatre and Landmark Theatre are set to close for good. They are a vital community hub that bring vibrancy and cultural life to the heart of North Devon, as well as lots of much-needed employment. Please show your support to try and stop this happening by signing an on line petition at www.38degrees.co.uk/savenorthdevontheatres. Also please like the Facebook page—Save North Devon Theatres.



HALF TERM

Science Activity Days

Monday 13th February

Fab Lab

Lab coats on for fab & amazing chemistry experiments.

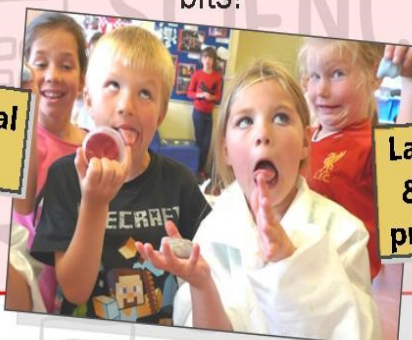


in a real lab!

Wednesday 15th February

Yucky You

Gross! A day all about the body, especially the yucky bits!



Lab coats & specs provided!

Friday 17th February

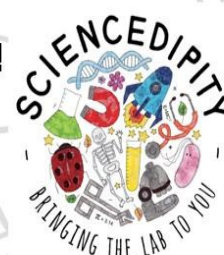
INVENT IT

Brilliant engineering projects for kids who love making stuff!



Super outdoor space for breaks

Venue: Science Lab, Kingsley School, Bideford Time: 9am to 4pm.
Suitable for primary school aged children. Bring packed lunch & snacks!
Lots of outside space to play. Experienced staff & DBS checked.
Led by qualified Teacher & Biomedical Scientist. To book click follow this link: <http://sciencedipity.co.uk/school-holiday-science-clubs/>
For queries contact sciencedipity@outlook.com or 07847006048



Half term is just 3 weeks away and we have 3 brilliant boredom-busting solutions. You can book into 1, 2 or all 3 of our Science Activity Days held at Kingsley School in Bideford. Children will be kept busy with amazing hands-on science in a real lab, as well as plenty of fun activities outside. The days run from 9-4 and are suitable for 7 to 11 -ish years old. £35 per day. All you need to do is drop them off with snacks and a packed lunch, and our DBS-checked & experienced team will do the rest!

Monday 13th February "[Fab Lab](#)" - chemistry themed
Wednesday 15th February "[Yucky You](#)" - biology themed
Friday 16th February "[Invent IT](#)" - engineering themed