



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.

PTFA Summer BBQ—Friday 29th June 5pm-7pm

Our Lady's School is having a summer BBQ for all family and friends. Tickets are on sale from the school office until Friday 22nd June.

£5 per adult
£2.50 per child

Ticket price will include a BBQ and drink, face painting, nail painting, glitter tattoo, beat the goalie, teddy tombola, hook a duck. A Bouncy Castle will also be on site at an additional cost of 50p for 5 mins.



Please note there will be no tickets available on the day.

School Jumpers and PE T-Shirts

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.

First Holy Communion

Two of our Year 4 children will be celebrating their First Holy Communion on Sunday 17th June at St Mary's Catholic Church at 11am. Nicola Osumek and David Przeworski would love to see as many of our school community at this service as possible. All are welcome.



Summer Term Dates

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

- 17th June First Holy Communion—St Mary's Church 11am
- 18th June **Change of menu—Chicken Kebab**
- 19th June Swallow Class Lundy Island Trip
- 20th June **Tarka Tennis Primary School Tournament—Invitation only**
- 22nd June Year 6 Intake Morning at Pilton Community College
- 22nd June **Last day to get tickets for Summer BBQ**
- 26th June Come and Play Session for new Sept intake 1-3pm
- 27th June **Plymouth CAST Mass—Swallow Class**
- 28th June Change of menu—Hot Dog
- 28th June **Whole School Transition afternoon**
- 29th June Year 6 Intake Day at Pilton Community College
- 29th June **Year 6 Intake Day at The Park School**
- 29th June Summer BBQ—PTFA 5pm—7pm
- 2nd July **Eagle Class Cricket Festival**
- 6th July Swallow Class Bikeability
- 9th July **Barnstaple Library attending assembly**
- 12th July Swallow Class Performance to parents 6-7.30pm
- 13th July **End of year reports sent home**
- 13th July Swallow Class Bikeability
- 19th July **Whole school open evening 6-7.30pm**
- 23rd July End of Year Mass, St Mary's Church 10am
- 24th July **Sports Day—Pilton Community College 10am**
- 25th July Last day of term

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



If you use breakfast club in the morning, please use the main gate. This will be open from 8:30. For other children that start at 9, the door will open at about 8:50.

Transition visits are on 26th and 28th June. If your child is already in Barn-a-b's on that day, we will take them in. If it is not their Barn-a-b's day, please come into school through the main entrance for 1pm.

Please make sure your preferred hours for September have been handed in. Please note that in order to claim your 30 hours funding for September you need to pass your code to Jen in the school office before school finishes on 25th July. Otherwise there is a risk that your funding will not be available until January 2019.

In preparation for reading in school, Barn-a-b's children will be borrowing phonics books. These will be signed in and out so that we can make sure all children have had a turn.

The Princes Trust have completed their work in our garden and the wooded area and it is all looking really lovely. We are always grateful for their hard work.



Reach for the Stars!

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

Congratulations to **Lola Meech** who took part in the 7 side Trittons Open Swimming Meet at Weston-Super-Mare and won a bronze medal for 50m front crawl, a silver medal for 100m backstroke and 200m front crawl and a gold for the 50m butterfly.

Well done to **Rachel Stanworth** who received the Merriott Majorettes Best Mascot Military Medal.

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.

Morning Drop Off

There are children being dropped off very early in the playground each morning. There is no adult supervision in this area before school registration at 8.50am and we are finding that some of these children are getting involved in playing football, losing track of time and therefore coming into their classes late for registration. If you do need to drop your child/children off before school starts we have members of staff at the main front entrance gate from 8.40am or alternatively our Breakfast Club starts from 7.45am. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

Early Help for Mental Health Award

Congratulations to our wonderful Thrive Practitioners, Mrs Sutton and Mrs Patton who were awarded an Early Help for Mental Health (EH4MH) 'You Inspire' Award recently.

We are very proud of the work they are carrying out in this important area of children's health and wellbeing.



Olympic Legacy 7th June

Very well done to our runners that represented the school in the annual Olympic Legacy Relays on Thursday 7th June.



Year 2

Leo Davies
Oliver Lear
Simone White

Year 3

Kimberly Dyer
Summer-Jayne Robins-Ridd
Romeo Hleza
Finley Daniel

Year 4

Bethan Silverlock
Hannah Bale
Amelie Lear
Harvey Dennis

Year 5

Alfie Richardson
Adam Lawlor-Smith
Charlie Jeffery
Lola Meech
Arianne Henry

Year 6

Oskar Czechowski
Jake Langley
Lola Ridgeway
Kayleigh Lancey
Chase Spencer

The school were placed 3rd out of the 15 primary schools that took part with all members of the team receiving a bronze medal and a certificate. The children were a credit to the school and it was lovely to see so many parents attending to support our team.

Aquathon

Congratulations to the following children who took part in the Aquathon on Thursday 14th June. The following children all completed a swim followed by a run at Torrington Swimming Pool.

Year 4

Evelyn Brown
Bethan Silverlock
Colbie-Rae Gammon
Lowen Rolfe

Year 5

Stanley Sargent
Adam Lawlor-Smith
Charlie Jefferies
Alfie Gating
Lola Meech
Lexie Rolfe
Lottie Parker
Kodie Harmer

Year 6

Mason Denning
Salvatore Telese
Oscar Meech
Jake Langley
Savannah Fiddes
Sophie Philips
Chase Spencer
Ffion Rippon



Rounders Competition

Very well done to our rounders team consisting of 12 year 6 children:-

Oscar Meech	Chase Spencer
Woody Farmery	Lola Ridgeway
Oskar Czechowski	Tia Philpotts
Jake Langley	Savannah Fiddes
Salvatore Telese	Drew Phillips
Kayleigh Lancey	Jamie Oke



On Tuesday 12th June, having qualified, they took part in the North Devon Rounders Final at Great Torrington School. After an outstanding day of sportsmanship we came fourth in the competition. We are very proud of this result at our first attempt at competitive rounders. All who took part received a certificate of recognition. Thank you to our parent helpers on the day, Mrs Spencer and Mrs Lancey.

Kingsley School—Super Sport Sunday

Kingsley School are running a community charity event, Super Sport Sunday, which takes place at Hartland Abbey, Hartland, on Sunday 24th June. This fun family event is a fundraiser for the North Devon Hospice and Cancer Research; there will be a large range of sporting activities in which to participate for all abilities. Please visit the event facebook page at:-

<https://www.facebook.com/events/199572547314420/>



Congratulations

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

Henry Hopkins	Ebony Parkhouse
Kori Skinner	Carly Tucker
En Chen x2	Sheetal Mathew
Kyle Sherrington	Tom Manoj
Alphy Siby Cherian	George Kerswell
Summer-Jayne Robins-Ridd	Rio Bishop
Zack Williams	Millie Gerraghty
Joshua Jennings	Adrianas Stancic
Chloe-Jo Rippon	Suzanna Filipczyk
Isla O'Grady	Mia Thorne
Brooke Logan	Ella-Mae Birchmore



We are very proud of you

North Devon All Starz

Do you love to sing, dance or act? National Award Winning North Devon All Starz are putting on a Musical in a Week.



Within 5 days, a highly qualified team from the West End will teach the actors to perform a much-loved classic musical, which is then performed to the general public.

This year we are pleased to present

FAME

From Monday 20th to Friday 24th August, 9am to 5pm.

This exciting opportunity is open to boys and girls aged between 8 and 18 years old. There are no auditions, it is first come first served, so make sure you register your place quickly with tolley.angell@yahoo.co.uk

Volunteers needed to turn Devon's young people into tech ninjas

Brand new CoderDojos are coming to Barnstaple. CoderDojos are free, vibrant, local clubs where 7 to 17 year-olds learn to code and create with technology together in a fun, creative environment.

The charity running the clubs – the Raspberry Pi Foundation – is now looking for adult volunteers who can spare just a few hours a month over evenings or weekends to provide 'volunteer power' to the Dojos.

If you're passionate about inspiring young people to be creative with technology you can sign up now to be part of CoderDojo's team of volunteers. Visit coderdojo.com/volunteer-devon to find out more.

Attendance

Congratulations to **SWALLOW** who have the highest attendance so far this year at **97.3%** closely followed by **EAGLE** at **97.0%**.



CoderDojo

CoderDojo is coming to Devon

Why volunteer?

Helping young people develop new skills and explore their creativity is very rewarding. Also, it's a lot of fun!

How can I help out?

Dojos are powered by volunteers. There are lots of ways you can support our Dojo!

- You could become a mentor and help young people learn to code. To help beginners, you don't even need technical skills!
- You could help with setting up the space and recording attendance for the Dojo sessions.
- You could help our Dojo run its social media presence or website!

CoderDojo Find out more at: coderdojo.com/volunteer-devon

FAMILIES NEEDED FOR JUNE & JULY

Need some extra cash for the
summer holidays?

We organise visits to North Devon for French and Spanish children and need friendly families who can welcome a student for 2 or 3 weeks.

In return, we offer £160 per week

Can you provide the following:

- Your own children in the household, 3-17yrs old
- Own room, or shared with a child of similar age/sex
- Full board - Breakfast, packed lunch, evening meal
- Students are out all day during school hours but you must be able to welcome them as part of the family and involve them in family life during evenings and weekends.

For more details contact:

Christiane or Ollie Cornish. ALICE Educational Holidays.

Email: chriscornish@msn.com Tel: 01271 375326 / 07989 712619



Scopay

Our preferred method of payment for school dinners, Breakfast and After School Club, Pre-School Fees and school trips is the Scopay system.

There are a number of parents who have not registered to use this facility as yet and you should have received a letter this week if this applies to you. If you require a log in, please see a member of the Admin Team who will be able to provide you with details of the system and an individual log in. You can use the same account for any children you have at this school.

The system is easy to use and will allow you to make payments, and book school dinners on your laptops, PCs or via your mobile phone.

If you need help registering your account you will find links to a Quick Reference Guide and a short video tutorial at:-

www.scopay.com/ourladypri-devon

School Reports

This year there will be a slight change to the reporting format for school reports. On Friday 13th July your child's report will be sent home. Each report will include a detailed update on how your child is progressing in the four core subjects; English, Maths, Science and RE. The class teacher will also give each child an effort and attainment grade for the non-core subjects. The second page of the report will include a general comment and your child's views on their school year.

If your child is in Year 2 or Year 6 you will receive their assessment scores for the national tests they completed this term. Year 1 parents will be notified of their child's phonics check score. An attendance breakdown will be included and you will be informed of your child's next class teacher. There will also be an opportunity for you to make an appointment with the class teacher to discuss the report.

From September we will be adding a mid-year report card. This will be sent out at the beginning of February in time for the parent consultations. This card will give you an overview of the progress your child is making and some next steps for their learning. October parent consultations will continue as normal.

Thank you for your continued support.



The next newsletter will go home on:
Friday 29th June 2018

Star Learners

Very well done to the following children who were our Star Learners for the last fortnight.



Tong Chen
Darcie Steele
Nathan Pavitt
Harry Oke
Romeo Hleza

Todd Thorne
Lottie Parker
Liam Claydon-O'Hara
Callum Curtis
Oliver Lear
Maciej Gozdziwski

Zack Williams
Lowen Rolfe
Holly Groves
Tia Philpotts
Francesca Doherty-Godfrey



Charity family fun day at NDDH – 1 July

A charity family fun day to celebrate the 70th birthday of the NHS will be held at North Devon District Hospital on **Sunday 1 July 2018** from 10am-4pm.

The day will be packed full of activities, with plenty of fun for all ages, including:

- Lots of kids' activities
- Tours of the hospital
- An entertainment stage with live music and dancing
- Food and drink from local suppliers
- Stalls
- Time capsule – write your message on a piece of history that will go into the foundations of the Cancer and Wellbeing Centre.

Tours will include a teddy bear tour for children – are there any poorly teddies out there? If teddy has a broken leg, bring him/her along and see what happens to make teddy better. Teddy will take a trip to the emergency department and will be looked after by the NHS, including a plaster cast you can take home. Teddy will finish the tour good as new and be given a badge for being so brave!

The day is in aid of the Trust charity, Over and Above, and in support of the Cancer and Wellbeing Centre Appeal.

It will be free to attend and park at the event, although donations to Over and Above will be very welcome.

Ian Roome, head of fundraising, said: "Come along to celebrate 70 years of the NHS and have fun, whilst also supporting the Trust charity – we'll see you there!"

For more information, please contact ndht.charity@nhs.net or ring 01271 311772.