



# 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.

## Sad News

It is with great sadness that we need to inform you that a dear friend of the school Nikki Spears has passed away. Nikki last worked for us as a Teaching Assistant in Kingfisher Class although she has been connected to both the school and church for many years.

Nikki was a special person who touched the lives of so many. She embraced life and sought to support others wherever she could.

Our prayers are with her husband, Nigel and children, Dom and Claire and her dear friend Geraldine at this very sad and difficult time.

Rob Meech

## School Non Pupil Days

Please be aware that we have non pupil days (for school and pre-school) on Monday 29th October and Friday 9th November. School finishes for half term at 3.15pm on Friday 19th October and pupils return to school on Tuesday 30th October.

## School Council 2018/19

We were happy to announce our School Council representatives for this academic year at assembly on Thursday 4th October. We held a democratic vote at a genuine polling station. All pupils visited the polling booth and cast their democratic vote. There is a lovely film of this process on the school website. Please take the time to view it. The following are the proud representatives elected by their class:-

<b>HERON</b>	Ivy Hleza Finlay Silverlock
<b>PUFFIN</b>	Reggie Staddon Harriet Routley
<b>OWL</b>	Bailey Gwynn Ana Presobhan
<b>EAGLE</b>	Amy-Lou Trickey Romeo Hleza
<b>KINGFISHER</b>	Caitlyn Clarkson Roe Hawkins
<b>SWALLOW</b>	Annabella Trickey Charlie Jeffery

We wish them well in their new roles.

## PTFA Meeting

The PTFA are holding a meeting at 2pm on Friday 19th October. All are welcome to attend. Please come along and share your ideas for other fundraising events we can hold throughout the year to raise funds for the children and school.

## New Dinner Menu

The school dinner menu will change for the second half of Autumn Term. Copies of this menu have been sent home and can be found on the school website.



Please note that the menu on the first day back after half term (Tuesday 30/10/18) will be Thursday's meal (Pork Ragu and Rice). Roast Turkey will be served on Thursday 01/11/18 for that week only.



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

Important dates:

Money for Exmoor trip by Monday 15th October please. We need enough money for the trip to go ahead.

Exmoor Zoo trip for Wednesday children 17th October. All children will need to bring a packed lunch. Please pack spare nappies, clothes etc if appropriate. Bring your child's buggy for us to take, if appropriate. Check the weather report beforehand, we will be outside a lot at Exmoor Zoo.

Non uniform day (£1) Friday 19th October, children can wear their favourite outfit (we will not have any messy play out on that day!).

We return after half term on Tuesday 30th October.

Don't forget to check the school website for important dates and information.

Have a great half term.

## Harvest Thanksgiving

At 9.15am on Thursday 18th October OWL class will be leading the school in our Harvest Thanksgiving. As part of this celebration, we will be collecting food and other goods to be donated to the Freedom Centre, which is a Barnstaple based charity supporting a wide range of people in need across North Devon. Children are invited to bring donations to their class teacher. Suitable donations are:

**Kitchen roll, cocoa, coffee, sugar, squash, soup, tinned fruit, rice pudding, chopped tomatoes, dried herbs, handwash, toilet rolls.**

Information about this local charity providing help and support to vulnerable individuals in North Devon can be found at [www.freedomsocialprojects.org.uk](http://www.freedomsocialprojects.org.uk)

We look forward to seeing as many parents, carers and friends at the assembly as possible.

**The next newsletter will go home on:  
Friday 2nd November 2018**

## Citizen of the Week

This term we are rewarding the very best citizens in the school. These children demonstrate the values of being a British citizen. They make the most of their opportunities in school using their voice to help others and engage fully in the life of the school.



We will be announcing the Citizen of the week at Prayer and Praise on a Thursday. All Citizens will receive a certificate and their photo will be displayed around the school outside their class on the British Values board.

Very well done to the following children who are our Citizens of the week since our last newsletter:

Lacey Dennis  
Ava Bradfield  
Ryan Davies  
Lexie Rolfe  
Harriet Routley  
Reggie Staddon  
Nnenna Amandiogu  
Paige Loman  
Alfie Boreham  
Lily Norris  
Owen Galliford  
Amelie Lear



## Congratulations

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

Kori Skinner x2	Brooke Logan
Isla O'Grady	Charlie Yeaman
Riley Yates	Georgie-Mae Thurman
Coran Sherman-Till	Jessica Lake
Rosie Smith	Charlie Elshout
Maciej Gozdziwski x2	Paige Loman
Immanuel Mathew	Isla Lowry
Lexi-Mae Dunlop	Scarlett Rudge
Nnenna Amandiogu	Declan Burns
Leah Dennis	Reggie Staddon
Ryan Davis	Pixie Barnett
Jamie Gibson	Milita Stancic
Lily-May Morgan	Gavin Joby
Callum Curtis x2	Macie-Grace Hudson
Amy Richards	Adam Dyer



Wednesday 10th October 2018 is World Mental Health Day. All children & Staff to wear yellow in support of 'Young Minds' - all for £1.00

YOUNG MINDS

#HelloYellow

10.10.18

R U OK?



Thank you to everyone that supported our 'Wear Yellow' Day for World Mental Health Day. We raised an amazing £168.

### Parent Consultations

Just a reminder that the parent consultations will now be held on Monday 12th and Wednesday 14th November.

### PE Stars of the Week

Each week Miss Sloman presents certificates to children to whom she has awarded 'PE Star of the Week' to. Well

done to the following children who have received these certificates since the last newsletter:-



**Finley Daniel**  
**Georgie-Mae Thurman**  
**Aneta Wentura**  
**Ellie-Mae Harman**  
**Bailey Gwynn**  
**Janice Jithesh**  
**Cody Wonnacott**

### Year 6 Parents

The deadline for applying for a secondary school place for your child is **31<sup>st</sup> October**. Apply at:

[www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline)



Watch out for our Children in Need goodies that will go on sale after half term. We will be raising money for Children in Need during the week of 12th November.



### Reach for the Stars!

Well done to the following children who let us know of their achievements outside of school in the following areas:

Well done to **Lola Meech** who won a gold medal for 200m Butterfly at the Tiverton Sparkler Swimming Gala and gold in the 50m Butterfly in the Exeter City Competition held in Plymouth recently.

Congratulations to **Finlay Silverlock** who was presented with a wristband and certificate for completing 11 Junior Park Runs, the equivalent of a half marathon.

Well done to **Alfie Boreham** who was awarded swimming certificates and badges for achieving his level 1 and 2.

Congratulations to **Summer-Jayne Robins-Ridd** who received a medal for coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Year 4 Girls Cross Country Festival.

Well done to **Kodie Harmer** who was awarded two Trophies for BMX Racing one for 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the South West Champs BMX Racing and one for 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Regional Races (series of 8) and a certificate for passing Rock and Roll music in her guitar lessons.

Congratulations to **Riley Yates, Dakota Skinner, Amy Bulley, Peter Bulley and Chloe Brown** who were awarded rosettes for having their first horse riding lessons.

Well done to **Leah Dennis** who received a certificate for achieving Foundation Climber status from Rock and Rapid Adventure Centre.

Congratulations to **Tia Barnett** who was awarded a Proficiency Award from British Gymnastics.

Well done to **Pixie Barnett** who was awarded a Level 7 Proficiency award from British Gymnastics.

## Attendance

Congratulations to **EAGLE** class who have the highest attendance for the Autumn term so far at **98.5%** closely followed by **PUFFIN** class at **97.6%**.

**EVERY  
SCHOOL DAY  
COUNTS**

## Autumn Term Dates

<b>15th Oct</b>	<b>Last Dodgeball After School Club (Y3-6)</b>
<b>16th Oct</b>	Homework Club (Y3&4)
<b>16th Oct</b>	<b>Netball Club (Y5&amp;6)</b>
<b>17th Oct</b>	Last Swimming for KINGFISHER
<b>17th Oct</b>	<b>Homework Club (Y5&amp;6)</b>
<b>18th Oct</b>	Harvest Thanksgiving—OWL Class
<b>19th Oct</b>	<b>PTFA Non Uniform Day and Cake Sale</b>
<b>19th Oct</b>	Tennis After School Club (Y1&2)
<b>19th Oct</b>	<b>OWL Class Sports Festival - PCC</b>
<b>19th Oct</b>	PTFA Meeting 2pm
<b>19th Oct</b>	<b>Last Day of Half Term</b>
<b>29th Oct</b>	SCHOOL CLOSED—Non Pupil Day
<b>30th Oct</b>	<b>Pupils Return to School</b>
<b>30th Oct</b>	Change of Menu—Pork Ragu
<b>31st Oct</b>	<b>Swimming for SWALLOW</b>
<b>31st Oct</b>	Deadline for Secondary School Places
<b>1st Nov</b>	<b>Change of Menu—Roast Turkey</b>
<b>2nd Nov</b>	Tennis After School Club (Y1&2)
<b>5th Nov</b>	<b>Football After School Club (Y5&amp;6)</b>
<b>6th Nov</b>	Homework Club (Y3&4)
<b>6th Nov</b>	<b>Netball Club (Y5&amp;6)</b>
<b>7th Nov</b>	Homework Club (Y5&6)
<b>7th Nov</b>	<b>Swimming for SWALLOW</b>
<b>9th Nov</b>	SCHOOL CLOSED—Non Pupil Day
<b>12th Nov</b>	<b>Parent Consultations</b>
<b>12th Nov</b>	No Football After School Club (Y5&6)
<b>13th Nov</b>	<b>Homework Club (Y3&amp;4)</b>
<b>13th Nov</b>	Netball Club (Y5&6)
<b>14th Nov</b>	<b>Parent Consultations</b>
<b>14th Nov</b>	No Homework Club (Y5&6)
<b>16th Nov</b>	<b>Tennis After School Club (Y1&amp;2)</b>
<b>19th Nov</b>	Football After School Club (Y5&6)
<b>20th Nov</b>	<b>Homework Club (Y3&amp;4)</b>
<b>20th Nov</b>	Netball Club (Y5&6)

**Don't forget the PTFA Non Uniform Day —Friday  
19th October 2018**

£1 to wear what you like for the day.

## School Clubs

Letters for clubs have been sent out recently. Below are the clubs that are running this half term, the finishing time, the adult responsible and the start date for the club.

**Monday** Dodgeball Club (Yr3-5) (4.15pm)  
Miss Sloman (Fee)  
**Last One 15/10/18**

**Tuesday** Homework (Yr 3&4) (4.15pm)  
Mr Meech and Staff

Netball (Yr 5&6) (4.15pm)  
Mrs Houle

**Wednesday** Homework (Yr 5&6) (4.15pm)  
Mr Meech and Staff

**Friday** Tennis (Y1&2) (4.15pm)  
Miss Sloman (Fee)

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

Children entitled to free school meals (ie children whose parents receive certain benefits such as Income Support, Job Seeker's Allowance and other relevant benefits) are also entitled to receive a 50% discount towards the cost of after school clubs and music tuition.



Thank you to everyone that supported the Macmillan Coffee Morning. We raised an incredible £181.61.

## Full Governing Body Meetings

The Full Governing Body (FGB) meetings for this academic year 2018/19 are as follows:-

Thursday 8th November at 10.30am  
Wednesday 5th December at 5.30pm  
Thursday 17th January at 5.30pm  
Wednesday 13th March at 5.30pm  
Wednesday 1st May at 5.30pm  
Wednesday 10th July at 10am

The governor pages on our website are kept up to date with the minutes of these meetings.



### Menu Change for Monday 5th November

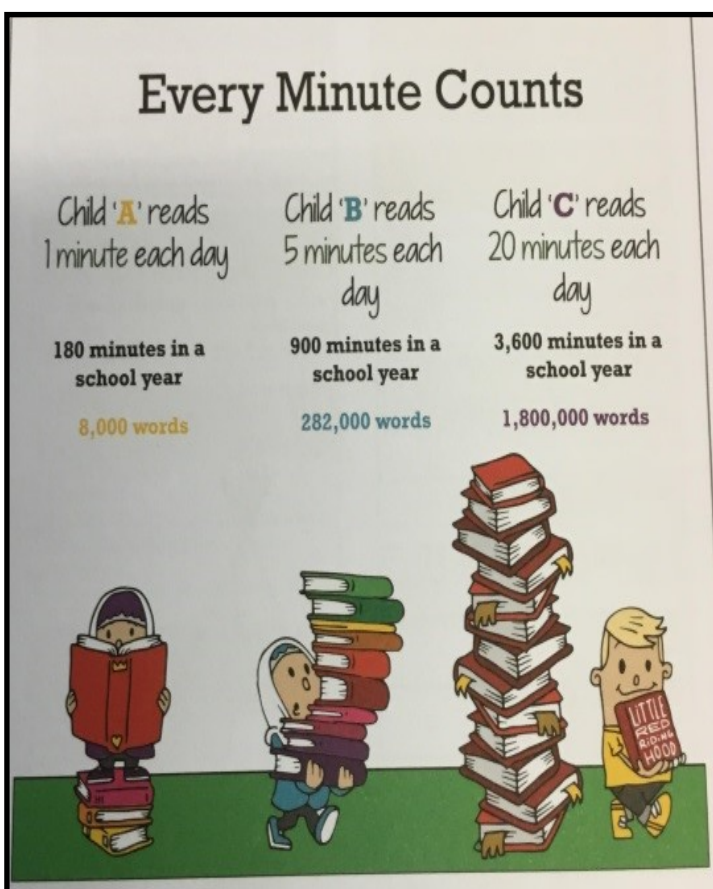
Please note that the school Menu will change on Monday 5th November for Bonfire Night. Details of this meal are shown below.

We will soon be advertising our yummy Christmas Lunch. Look out in the newsletter for more information.

### Scopay On-line Payments

Don't forget you can book and pay for our Breakfast Club and After School club via our online booking system via scopay.com.

Dinner money and school trips can also be paid on this system. It is easy to log in. You just need your individual log in details. If you have mislaid these or need any help or assistance with logging into Scopay please see a member of the Admin Team who will be happy to assist you.



God of compassion and mercy, we turn to you,  
we seek your help in our distress.  
May we always seek to be a light for others,  
bringing hope in place of despair.  
Bring comfort to those who mourn,  
shelter and sustenance to all those in need.

Amen