

HATHERLEIGH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

4th November 2016



BABY NEWS!

Congratulations to Ms Ashton who is delighted to announce that she is expecting a baby! We will be festooned in blue and pink in the spring time! Thank you to all those who have helped to ensure that our expectant mums stay fit and healthy by keeping us informed of chicken pox and other contagious illnesses. Your help is really appreciated.

I am wondering whether we need to start a crèche on site!

CONTACT DETAILS

Please can parents ensure that we have up to date phone numbers/addresses and contact details for their children. If you wish to view the information that we currently hold for your child, please come and ask at the school office.

NETBALL

Congratulations to our netball team on their recent performance at the North Tawton Netball event. As one of the top 4 teams from the area we go forward to the West Devon Netball Finals to play the Top 4 teams from Tavistock area which will take place on the 8th February.

The winner from this event will play in the Devon Winter Games on 1st March in Plymouth.

Congratulations and thank you to all who play in, lead, encourage and support our netball teams!

NO HOCKEY CLUB NEXT WEEK

There will be no hockey club on next Wednesday 9th November.

FILM CLUB

Film Club review of the week for the film 'The fox and the child' goes to Aarabe Shivakumaran.

MESSAGE FROM 1ST DOLTON CUB SCOUTS—CONGRATULATIONS TO ENNA LUKE!

"Many congratulations to ENNA LUKE of 1st Dolton Cub Scouts who was recently presented with her Chief Scout's Silver Award. This is the highest recognition achievable as a Cub Scout. To gain the award a Cub has to earn seven challenge badges which have several elements to them and demonstrates 2-3 years of hard work and dedication. It has been hugely enjoyable having Enna in Cubs and we're very sorry to see her leave. Good luck to you in Scouts and thank you for all the fun times and happy memories. Akela and 1st Dolton Cub Pack." The school would also like to add their congratulations to Enna!

HATHERLEIGH CARNIVAL

As I am sure you are aware, Hatherleigh Carnival is on 12th November and the school would like as many children as possible to take part in the afternoon procession. We thought an apt theme would be 100 years of Roald Dahl with the children being characters from his books. Just so we know who to expect on carnival day, please can you add your child's name to the list at the school office.

CHILDREN IN NEED FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

Non-uniform day and bring your loose change to help each team create a Pudsey bear on the school playground (Volunteer parents required to help the children to count the pennies during the morning!)

CHRISTMAS DATES

We thought it would be helpful for you to know these dates exact times will follow once rehearsal start!

8th Dec (Provisional date, awaiting confirmation)—Yr 3 and 4 Performance to parents - Community Centre (afternoon)

12th Dec – EYFS/KS1 performance to school (afternoon)

13th Dec – EYFS/KS1 performance to parents (afternoon)

14th Dec – Entertainingly Different

15th Dec – Children's Christmas Sale and Christmas jumper day (more information to follow)

16th Dec – Christmas Carol Concert (afternoon) and end of term



SUPERSTAR WRITERS

Holly Wale

This Week's Learners of the Week

Eric Smith

George Williams

Ava Dumpleton

Lucas Brimacombe

Louis Byrne

Ava Brannagan

Designated Safeguarding Officer Caroline Booter

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officers Debbie Orbell and Nicholas Pearson

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CHESTNUTS

Please may Chestnuts have any donations of age 4-5 pants and socks and tights for our collection of spares.

WANTED

We are looking for any dressing up clothes for playtimes. If you have any unwanted clothes that the children could use, please hand into the school office.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS 3.20pm-4.20pm

Monday	Film Club Years 3,4,5 & 6 Big Story Club
Tuesday	Homework Club Year 6
Wednesday	Hockey Years 5 & 6 Choir Years 4,5 & 6
Thursday	Netball Years 5 & 6 Football Years 4,5 & 6 Adventure Club Year 2
Friday	Running Club Years 4,5,&6

SHOEBOX BONANZA!

Thank you and well done to everyone who contributed and helped pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child with Big Story on Monday. It was a little manic, but good fun! Everyone's generosity in time and items for the shoeboxes meant that, including those shoeboxes people did at home and brought in, we have 40 shoeboxes to send off, of which just over 30 were packed on the day. Along with shoeboxes from other children's groups in our group of parishes, we have 76 shoeboxes to deliver to our collection point at Fairplace Methodist Church in Okehampton. Then we just wait to receive an email telling us which countries our shoeboxes have been sent to. Operation Christmas Child asks for a £3.00 per box towards the postage/transport costs. If anyone wanted to contribute, but didn't quite get round to it, donations towards the £120 for our 40 boxes would be very welcome, as we hadn't budgeted for quite so many boxes! Any donations should be passed on to Rev. Ruth Hansford via the school office or at the Rectory, Hatherleigh. Thank you again for all your help and support to give some joy to children in difficult circumstances this Christmas. Rev. Ruth Hansford and the Big Story Team.

BIG STORY HAS A WAITING LIST!

We are delighted that Big Story has been so popular this term. Unfortunately, we regret that we have a limit of 20 children (due to number of helpers and the logistics of getting more than 20 children organised!!). Therefore, we now have a waiting list (with 4 on already). If your child would like to come to Big Story, please do fill in a form from Reception and we will add them to the waiting list. Then if any children decide not to continue, we will work through the list to fill those places. Thank you. Rev. Ruth Hansford.

SICKNESS

There seem to be an increase in reported sickness across the local community . The following advice has been issued to schools.

Children and staff with symptoms of norovirus should:

- Stay away from work or school until they have been **free of symptoms for at least 48 hours** and avoid contact with others where possible.
- Keep hydrated by drinking fluids as tolerated
- If symptoms persist (more than 48 hours), phone the GP or the NHS non-emergency number 111 for advice.
- Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water regularly but particularly after toilet visits and before eating and handling food. **Alcohol hand gel is not effective against norovirus**
- Do not visit friends or relatives in hospital or residential care homes as there is a real risk of introducing the infection to the establishment
- Do not handle or prepare food for other people until symptom free for at least 48 hours.
- Exclude ill children and staff from school trips and residential trips, consider postponing during an outbreak.