

HUISH EPISCOPI PRIMARY NEWS



Gold Mark standard retained for 2016-17: pupils display the certificate below!



Can you help Parrett Class with the above? (See P2)

From the Head of School:

It's hard to believe we are at the end of another school year. It is a time when we celebrate successes, set targets for next year and reflect on the year as a whole. It is also a time when we prepare to say goodbye to children in Year 6.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank every child in Year 6 for their tremendous contribution to school life during their final year. You have thrown yourself into everything on offer and grasped every opportunity available: football, tag rugby, running, athletics, hockey, public speaking, poetry slams, maths stomps, writing competitions, art workshops, London residential, outdoor adventure learning day and so much more. You have given your best for the rest of the school and we are truly grateful for your commitment and hard work.

You have been outstanding play leaders and supported the younger members of the school community during sports afternoons, playtimes, lunchtimes and whenever it has been needed. We wish you all the very best of luck next year and hope that you will take with you the determination, confidence and happy memories that have been instilled in you during your time at Huish Episcopi Primary School.

Our Year 6 Leavers' Assembly takes place on Thursday, 20 July at 2.00pm – space will be tight and we will obviously ensure that parents and carers of children in Year 6 have priority seating but do please join us in our final assembly of the year. (Mrs Dennis)

Staff News

Huge congratulations to both Mrs Ramwell and Mrs Harding for their sporting achievements over the last few weeks. Firstly, **Mrs Ramwell** completed the Race For Life 5k run for the second year,

managing comprehensively to beat her result from last year. She then undertook the Bubble Run in Taunton, again 5k. Super work Mrs Ramwell and congratulations on all the running improvements.

Mrs Harding took part in the Langport Triathlon too. She impressively finished in 1 hour 34 minutes. You are both a huge inspiration, well done for your fantastic efforts. (Mr Clements)

Well, **Mr Clements** is never one to disappoint at trying something challenging! He took part in the Ham to Lyme 50k cross country race. It tested his ability to map read and follow signs but by mile one he was lost! This did not deter him and he found his way, running through corn fields, rolling under fences and running up and down hills all the way to Lyme Regis. He ran the 50k in very hot conditions and came a remarkable 13th place out of over 200 runners. WELL DONE Mr Clements! (Mrs Ramwell)

School News

'Shakespeare Rocks!'

The Key Stage 2 production of 'Shakespeare Rocks!' takes place next week with performances at 2.00pm on Tuesday, 18 July and at 6.00pm on Wednesday, 19 July. All tickets for Wednesday evening's performance have been allocated but we have spare tickets for the Tuesday so please see Mrs Sams at the School Office if you would like one.

Sponsored Run

THANK YOU to everyone who has brought in their sponsored run money. We have managed to raise **over £1,100.00**, which is amazing! The money will be used to purchase a new piano/keyboard for the hall and to buy some new ICT equipment. If you still need to bring in your sponsor money please do so as soon as possible. (Mrs Ramwell)



YMCA Outdoor Adventure Day

Years 4, 5, and 6 took part in an outdoor adventure day at the YMCA in Bridgwater today. They had a go at climbing, caving, low ropes and bell boating. All the children were really enthusiastic and challenged themselves to have a go at all the activities. What a great day, WELL DONE everyone!

Class News

Parrett Class News

Parrett Class are looking to enhance the learning opportunities in the outdoor area for next academic year by asking for donations of the following items:

- Logs that can be used for seats/chalk boards
- Milk crates; tyres
- Old jugs, sieves, pots, pans, colanders, wooden spoons etc
- Drain pipes & pallets in good condition
- Large material to use for den making etc.

If you are able to donate any of the above items **in September** please let Miss Cardwell or a member of Parrett Class know. Or if you have the time & expertise, are you able to help construct some of the equipment areas? Thank you. (Miss Cardwell)

Aller Class News

Aller Class have been putting our creative heads on to design and make our own board games. We have even made our own dice, counters and rules! These will come home for hours of fun over the summer holidays! (Miss Wicks)

Sedgemoor Class News

We have been exploring different forms of poetry experimenting with our word choices. The children have been working really hard to craft each sentence. See our class webpage for examples of their work. Here is one of their Haikus:

*The sun is shinning
The blue sky shines on the sea
Ice-cream drips down chins*
(Corey & Brandon)

Northmoor Class News

The final newsletter of the year, so rather than a recent update, we thought it appropriate to celebrate the year we've had together in Northmoor Class and remind ourselves of some of the things we have learnt and achieved together.

The school year started back in September 2016 when the class learnt about the history of children's games and we had a go at playing with marbles. We went on a wonderful trip to Ham Hill as part of our Geography Week. The children got familiar with number and place value and in Literacy we wrote some instructions detailing how to turn a teacher

into a frog!

During the Spring Term, the children became experts on castles and siege weapons – we made our own castles in class and created weapons at home to bring to school. We wrote some fantastic story settings and we learnt about magnets. Our times tables knowledge was put to the test when learning all about multiplication and division.

The Summer Term was all about the Romans. We were excited to have a Roman soldier come to visit and we thoroughly enjoyed our trip to Caerleon where we saw a real life bath, barracks and amphitheatre. Our diary writing was superb & we have worked hard learning about fractions & shape. We have, of course, missed plenty out! However, the main point we would like to make is that the children have made wonderful progress this year and both Mrs Dennis and Mr Akers have seen the children mature to become good Key Stage 2 learners. We have really enjoyed teaching Northmoor Class this year and for those that are going to Mr Clements we will miss you. Have a wonderful summer break. (Mr Akers)

Isle Class News

Eighteen children from Isle Class performed at the Bridgwater Singing Festival on Wednesday. They sang two fantastic songs, 'Drop in the Ocean' and 'Fix You'. They then joined the rest of the performing schools for a fantastic finale. The children were accompanied on guitar and piano by Mr Clements and Mrs Thompson also played the piano. They ALL sounded amazing. The children were a credit to themselves and to the school. (Mr Clements)



Kingsmoor Class News

We wish you all the best for the next adventure. Each and every one of you should feel incredibly proud of everything you have achieved and we hope the transition goes smoothly for you all. (Miss Chadbourne & Mrs Kenchington)

Sports News

Summer Term Sports Report

The Summer Term, as always, has been very exciting. After school clubs have shown a very strong attendance and have included cricket, rounders, multiskills, athletics, outdoor adventure and dodgeball (everyone's favourite!). Intra competitive sport has been played in all classes during PE lessons and as whole school events. Inter competitive sport has been played by a large number of children this term. They have taken part in CLP competitions as well as inter area

competitions. We had five children get through to the inter area cross country team and some children being picked up as gifted and talented in football by Saints Southwest. We held a fantastic Academy Sports Day at Yeovil Athletics Arena where ALL children threw longer, ran faster, jumped further and demonstrated outstanding sporting values. We also held our own Sports Day on the field where the children competed for their house colour team - Blue Team won this year. ALL the children who have taken part in an after school club, intra/inter sport have really taken on board the school games' sporting values of 'honesty, respect, determination, teamwork, passion and self-belief'. (Mrs Ramwell)

School Games Mark – GOLD!

We have just received the fantastic news that we have retained the GOLD Mark standard for all the PE and sports that children participate in and out of school. Thank you to everyone who has made this possible, especially the children, as this would not have happened without their enthusiasm and passion for sport and their attitude to giving anything new or challenging a go! WELL DONE EVERYONE!



CLP Rounders Tournament

The Rounders Team took part in the CLP Rounders Tournament at Huish Academy. Once they got to grips with the rules, they improved with each game. The best moment of the tournament was when Myles and Luke both went for the same catch,



fell over each other and Luke still managed a superb one handed catch! WELL DONE to the whole team.

Sports Afternoon

The whole school took part in a House Colour Team Sports Afternoon. The weather was lovely if not a little bit hot! They competed in six activities, ranging from sprinting to the egg and spoon race and gained points for their house colour team. It was lovely to see so many parents/carers on the day as well. Also a BIG thank you to the PFA who, at very short notice, put up gazebos in the middle of the field to provide shelter for the children in between activities. Blue Team was the overall winner this year. (Mrs Ramwell)

PFA News

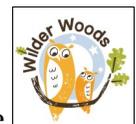
The PFA is looking forward to seeing everybody at the **Huish Summer Festival** tomorrow, Saturday, 15 July. Thank you to all of you who have offered to help on the day and bought raffle tickets. Please go along from 11.00am to 5.00pm and support their biggest fundraiser ever!

To contact the PFA in general please contact Emma Cook either through the school, on 07927 398277 or via email emmamark34@hotmail.co.uk.

Community Notices

Wilder Woods Summer Activities

The woods are cool and shady in the Summer heat, waiting to welcome children into the woods for their Summer Activities. Don't be disappointed book your place now! Booking essential so please e-mail hannah@wilderwoods.org or phone 01458 252463.



Yeovil Recreation Centre—Lots of activities at Yeovil Recreation Centre in the Summer Holidays, from Tuesday, 25 July to Friday, 1 September with Fun Sports Days (for all ages) planned for Thursdays 10 & 17 August. Details at <http://yeovilrec.co.uk/families/holiday-activities>.

Gold Star Awards—If you know a young person doing something special in the community, a youth club/organisation that deserves some recognition, or an adult who gives up their time supporting young people, then please nominate them for a Gold Star.

Closing date: Wednesday, 6 Sept 2017.

www.southsomerset.gov.uk/goldstars



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SAFEGUARDING

**Don't think
"What if I'm wrong"
Think...
"What if I am right"**

If you have any concerns about a pupil you should report this to a member of staff immediately.

If you feel a pupil is at risk or a subject of abuse you must contact the Designated Safeguarding Leads immediately.



Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs Zoe Dennis (photo R)

Deputy DSL:

Mrs Joan Meredith (photo L)



**Safeguarding & Child Protection
Governor:
Mrs Lou Ward**



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Diary Dates: (Updates in red)

Saturday, 15 July: Summer Festival; Huish Academy (PFA event with the Academy); pupils **dancing** & singing at performance circle from **12.15pm-12.30pm & 1.00pm-1.30pm.**

Tuesday, 18 & Wednesday, 19 July: 'Shakespeare Rocks!'; **2.00pm on Tuesday; 6.00pm on Wednesday.**

Wednesday, 19 July: Year 6 Academy "Virtual Reality" Play & Workshop.

Wednesday, 19 July: **Winning House Treat; 2.00-3.00pm.**

Thursday, 20 July: Year 6 (Kingsmoor) Leavers Assembly; **2.00-3.30pm.**

Friday, 21 July: Summer Term Ends at 3.30pm.

Tuesday, 5 September: Autumn Term Starts.

Friday, 8 September: "Space" Virtual Reality Workshop; all classes; to compliment our topic 'The World Beyond Us'.

w/c 11 September: Year 2 & 6 Pupil Progress Meetings with parents/carers; date & time TBC.

w/c 18 September: Years 1-2 Trip and Years 3-6 Trip; dates & venues TBC.

Monday, 25 September: Academy Trip to Creative Writing Workshop; five Year 6 pupils; Buckingham Palace, London; times TBC.

Friday, 29 September: PFA Film Night.

Monday, 2 & Tuesday, 3 October: Bikeability; Year 6 pupils; further details to follow.

Thursday, 5 October: Tempest Photography; individual pupil photos.

w/c 23 October: Half Term.

w/c 13 November: Child in Need week.

Thursday, 16 November: Somerset NHS Flu Vaccination Programme for pupils in Reception & Years 1-4; further details to follow.

Monday, 27 & Wednesday, 29 November: Parents' Consultation Evenings; 3.30-7.00pm.

Monday, 11 December: Image Theatre Production of Wind in the Willows to all pupils; morning; School Hall.

Tuesday, 12 December: Key Stage 1 Nativity; 2.00pm.

Wednesday, 13 December: Key Stage 1 Nativity; 6.00pm.

Thursday, 21 December: Term Ends.

Monday, 8 January 2018: Spring Term Starts

Autumn Term Free Reading Fridays:

Will be issued next term.

Autumn Term's Newsletter:

Will be published on 15 & 29 September; 13 October; 3 & 17 November; 1 & 15 December.

Sports Match Dates:

More dates for the Autumn Term will be published at the beginning of the term.

After School Clubs:

A letter regarding After School Clubs will be sent out in the first week of next term with a view to clubs re-commencing w/c 11 September 2017.

Mondays: TBC

Homework Club with Mr Welch.

Tuesdays: TBC

Homework Club with Mr Welch.

Wednesdays: TBC

Homework Club with Miss Whelan.

Thursdays: TBC

Fridays: TBC

All clubs run from 3.30pm until 4.30pm unless otherwise stated. Please contact Mrs Ramwell.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY!

Our fantastic cleaner, Mrs Harding, is looking for an assistant to help her keep our school clean and tidy:

Cleaner**(5 hours per week—Grade 17 Point 6)**

We have a vacancy for a cleaner for five hours per week to work under the supervision of our full time cleaner. The hours can be split across the week to suit e.g. 1 hour per day or split over 2-3 days. There may also be an opportunity for additional hours to assist with deep cleaning during the holidays. If you are interested in either post please speak to Mrs Dennis or Mrs Meredith by noon on **Wednesday 19 July 2017.**

Huish Episcopi Primary Schools is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. All offers of employment are subject to disclosure through the Criminal Records Bureau.

2017-2018 INSET Days:

Monday, 4 September 2017; Friday, 20 October 2017; Friday, 9 February 2018; Monday, 23 & Tuesday, 24 July 2018. No children in school on these days please.

Full set of term dates for 2017-18 available on school website under parents tab.

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