



Executive Head Teacher: Melanie Smallwood

Head of School: Karen Lintin

Dear Parents & Carers,

We hope you've had a great week! Please see the below news and updates for the school.

Home Learning can be found every week on our School website or [here](#).

Important dates:

8th March - International Women's Day

12th March - Quince Honey Farm trip for Year 3&4

18th March - Goalgetters afterschool football club starts (YR,1&2)

26th March - Quince Honey Farm Trip for Taw & Codden

28th March - Last day of term

18th April - Rock and Rapid one-day residential (Year 4)

19th June - Pre-school and Codden stay and play sports morning

25th June- KS1 sports afternoon

27th June - KS2 sports afternoon

4th July - Transition morning Y1-Y5

11th & 12th July - Y6 transition days to Park

2024/2025 Term Dates are now available on our school website or [here](#).

Y4 Rock and Rapid - One day residential

An email went out last Thursday to year 4 parents, including important info for the rock and rapid residential. Please make sure that you have completed and returned the medical form that you would have been given at the parents meeting recently. We have had a lot of forms returned already - thank you for being so prompt. Please also make sure that you have filled out the waiver via the link in the email that was sent out. **All forms need to be completed/returned by Wednesday 27th March.**

Quince Honey Farm Visit

Year 3&4 will be visiting Quince honey farm on Tuesday 12th March and Taw and Codden will be visiting on Tuesday 26th March. Please make sure you have paid via Eduspot/SchoolMoney for your child before the trip.

World book day - 7/3/24



The children enjoyed taking part in activities throughout the day on Thursday, for world book day and there were lots of amazing costumes! We were impressed by the amount of care, effort and creativity that went into their wooden spoon making. We had lots of wonderful entries, it sure was a difficult one to judge! We would like to say a massive well done to a year 4 child who's Ninja Turtle entry won, we were impressed with the use of materials, the detail and the care that went into making it - we hope you enjoy your prize!

Bikeability 2024



Bikeability has now started and the children are doing really well. We have been lucky that we have had some dry weather for them too!

Dance festival

Several children took part in the dance festival on Wednesday and performed what they had learnt to the school in Fridays afternoon assembly.

Outstanding School Payments

We have a growing number of outstanding fees for school dinners, clubs and pre-school. We appreciate that we're all facing an increased cost of living, our School is no exception to that. **Therefore can we please request that you go to your SchoolMoney account and make payment for any outstanding fees, as soon as possible.** *Note, if you usually pay by childcare vouchers, see information below.*

If you are having issues logging into your SchoolMoney account and have tried to resolve by re-setting your password/reinstalling the app, please get in contact via families@bishopstawton-primary.org

If you are facing financial difficulty, please get in contact with the School as a priority to discuss.

Child absence reporting

Please could we remind you that it is a requirement that all child absences need to be reported to the school office by telephone. You may leave a voicemail if needed - these are monitored regularly. We spend lots of time calling and chasing parents for a reason for their child's absence, if your child is ill and won't be in, or there is another reason for their

absence please do let us know in the school office, at your earliest convenience so we can mark the register accordingly.

Goalgetters (Reception, Y1&2)

We are pleased to welcome back; Goalgetters afterschool football club on Mondays, 3.15pm-4.15pm! Starting from Monday 18th March. An email went out on Thursday to all Reception, year 1&2 parents, with the session timetable and the booking/consent form. Please read the form attached to the email for all relevant information.

Childrens underwear donations

We would be grateful of any donations of children's unwanted underwear (from age 6+ upwards) preferably new or nearly new or in very good condition. You can drop these into the school office any time - Thank you!

Easter Family Bingo!

The PTFA will be holding an Easter Family Bingo session on Weds 27th March in the school hall. (Doors open at 6pm, eyes down at 6.30pm)

Please secure your tickets via Eduspot/SchoolMoney, tickets are £1 per person. Please select an appropriate ticket type, to reflect the amount of people who want to go along. If you are wanting to book more than 6 people, please enquire with the school office as we need to monitor the numbers.

All ages welcome!

Refreshments available on the night!




International Womens Day - Friday 8th March


As part of celebrating international women's day, some of the girls attended a football match at Tarka. We hope they had a great time taking part!

Primary Sports and Education


Primary Sports and Education are running a Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) funded programme at Sticklepath School during the Easter holidays. The HAF Programme is funded by the Department for Education and children who are eligible for benefit related Free School Meals (FSM) are given the opportunity to access rewarding activities alongside healthy meals during school holidays.



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Easter Activity days

Dates:
Tuesday 2nd April
Wednesday 3rd April
Thursday 4th April
Tuesday 9th April
Wednesday 10th April
Thursday 11th April

Ages:
5-11 Years old


Venue:
Sticklepath
Primary school
EX31 2HH

TIME:
8.30am-3.30pm


To book:

- Visit - www.primary-sports.co.uk
- Click on the "Book now tab"
- "Sticklepath EASTER activity days"
- Complete the online booking form

Contact us: north.devon@primary-sports.co.uk



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A message from Sporty Stars...

We are thrilled to announce an exciting opportunity for your children to join us at Sporty Stars Holiday Camp, held at West Buckland School in North Devon.

At Sporty Stars, we provide children with unforgettable experiences filled with laughter, teamwork, and adventure. Our holiday camp is designed to offer a wide range of thrilling activities that will keep your child engaged and entertained throughout the holidays.

Here's what you can expect at Sporty Stars Holiday Camp:

- **Swimming:** Group sessions led by the experienced instructors from Aquarius Swim School.
- **Bubble Football:** Experience the excitement of football like never before.
- **Nerf Wars:** Engage in epic battles of strategy and foam darts.
- **Archery Targets:** Test your aim and enjoy a round of Archery tag.
- **Inflatable Games:** Bounce, slide, and laugh on a variety of inflatable attractions with a sporting emphasis.
- **Dodgeball:** Enjoy an action-packed game of dodgeball.
- **Other Sports:** Football, basketball, tennis, handball, and party games

Our experienced team is committed to ensuring a safe and enjoyable environment for all participants while promoting teamwork and sportsmanship.

Camp Details:

- **Dates:** Tuesday 2nd April - Friday 5th April & Monday 8th April - Friday 12th April.
- **Timings:** 8:15 am - 5:15 pm
- **Location:** West Buckland, Barnstaple EX32 0SX
- **Transport:** Return Bus service from Barnstaple (Homebase) & South Molton (Mole Valley).
- **Cost:** £40 per day / 10% off week block booking

Spaces are limited, so we encourage you to register early to secure your child's spot at Sporty Stars Camp. You can register and find additional information on our website

<https://www.sportystars.co.uk/west-buckland-school.html> or contact us at hello@sportystars.co.uk.

Thank you for considering Sporty Stars as part of your child's holiday plans. We are excited to create lasting memories and provide an enriching experience for your little ones during this upcoming school break.



MULTI-ACTIVITY HOLIDAY CAMP

TUESDAY 2ND - FRIDAY 5TH APRIL
MONDAY 8TH - FRIDAY 12TH APRIL

WEST BUCKLAND SCHOOL

Our experienced team of activity leaders will be delivering a range of unique experiences for children aged 5 - 12, every school holiday. All children in the local area have the opportunity to learn and grow in a safe, nurturing environment.

CAMP FEATURES :

- ✓ Six timetabled activities per day
- ✓ A range of inflatable games such as axe throwing, basketball, football darts, castles & zorbing
- ✓ Swimming 3 times a week
- ✓ Traditional sports and unique activities including archery, nerf wars, arts & crafts and glow sports

TIMINGS & COST :

- 🕒 8:15am - 5:15pm
- £ £40 per day / 10% OFF Week
Childcare vouchers accepted
- 🚌 Limited bus service available from
Barnstaple & South Molton (See online)



WWW.SPORTYSTARS.CO.UK



A message from North Devon Regional Talent Centre...

We are holding trials for footballers to join the North Devon Regional Talent Centre. They play in the Junior Premier League and is a fantastic opportunity for footballers to represent North Devon.

We believe this is a positive opportunity for North Devon footballers to develop and increase overall participation in football/sporting activity across all ages, with the focus of enjoyment and keeping more footballers in the game, long term.

