



STICKLEPATH COMMUNITY PRIMARY ACADEMY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th October 2025

From our Leadership Team

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was wonderful to see so many of you at the *Meet the Teacher* evenings this week. This is such an important opportunity to celebrate the children's positive start in their new classes and to discuss their next steps for learning. If you were unable to attend your appointment or still need to arrange one, please contact the school office and the teachers will be happy to find another time this term.

At Sticklepath, we place great value on building strong partnerships between home and school, as evidence shows this has a powerful impact on children's outcomes. We are constantly "hooking back" to previous learning with the children to strengthen the neural pathways in their brains. Parents play a huge part in this too — by asking about their child's day and encouraging them to recall what they've been learning, even if they can sometimes be reluctant to talk about school!

A huge **congratulations** to our **Year 4 boys' running team** who represented Sticklepath at the prestigious **Stephen's Shield Cross Country** event in Torrington. The boys ran their hearts out, showed fantastic teamwork, and supported each other with great camaraderie. You can read more about their performance and results later in this newsletter, but we are all incredibly proud of them. Many thanks to the parents that also came along to support.

As we approach the final week of school before the half-term break, please remember that **next Friday is a Non-Pupil Day**, so children will finish school on **Thursday**.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy weekend.

Ms Warner, Mr Blunt and Miss Phillips

Admissions Policy

Admissions Policy for 2027–2028: Annual Consultation

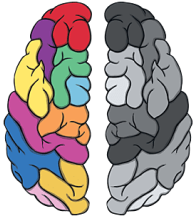
Alongside all other schools and academies in Devon, Sticklepath are consulting on our admissions policy for 2027–2028. The Local Authority is also consulting on its own admission arrangements. You are invited to review the proposals and share your views. Our proposed policy is available on our policies page: www.sticklepathschool.org.uk/policies.

You can view all policies at <http://devon.cc/schoolpolicy>, and further information is available at www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements

The formal consultation period runs until 16th January 2026. All policies will be determined on 28th January 2026 and published by 15th March 2026.

Celebrating a Growth Mindset

Congratulations to the following students for winning this week's Growth Mindset Award!



Luna-Jayne C, Amara J-S, Judah S, Oliver G, Bobby M, Joey-Anne L,
Lennox E, Florence C, Connie M, Oonagh H,
Zayne L, Oscar L, Thomas W, Josh P, Maisie W, Rosie B-B, Grace B



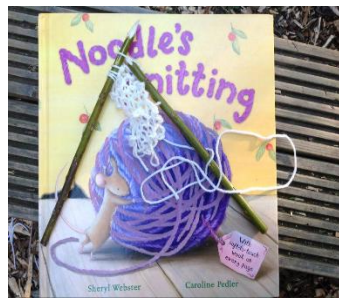
Stephen's Shield

What a super team we had running at the Stephen's Shield in Torrington!
This is a tough race, over fields and hills with over
100 children from North Devon primary schools in each age group.
Congratulations to Freddie who finished clear in 1st place!
Well done to our other team members finishing 5th, 23rd and 29th.
We await the overall team result with bated breath 🏃💨



Forest School

At Forest school this week we have been learning about lots of different 'knots'. Year 1 have been learning the beginnings of how to tie shoelaces. Year 2 have been learning how to tie our shoelaces and Year 4 have learned finger knitting or knitting on our own whittled knitting needles. In Year 5 each knot had a story to accompany it and there was lots of perseverance and resilience shown by all. We taught the 'bunny ear' method as recommended by NHS Devon for children to tie their own laces between the ages of 5 and 7 years old.



Important Dates

Tuesday 21st October – Year 4 & 5 Roman Day

Friday 24th October – Non-Pupil Day

Monday 26th – Friday 31st October – October Half Term

Tuesday 4th November – Year 1 LWA visit to Barnstaple Museum

Wednesday 5th November – Individual and Sibling School Photos

Thursday 6th November – Year 1 LLO visit to Barnstaple Museum

Wednesday 12th November – Year 3 Multi Skills at Park School

Friday 5th December – PTFA Christmas Fair

Autumn Term Timetables

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PE	CDI EFI AJA DSM BPH KLA	DPA LLO LWA AWE DSM	HUB LWA CDI EFI AJA DMO	AWE LLO KLA DMO GTU TRG BCL	TRG BPH BCL
Forest School	HUB	LWA CDI	TRG AJA	KLA DSM	EFI AWE
Lunchtime Cross Country		Year 2	Year 3 & 5		Year 4 & 6

CDI and KLA will be swapping forest school for one week only due to Y5 Roman day.

After School Clubs

Please note children attending hockey club will need a mouth guard, long socks and shin pads. For children attending Girls football they will need long socks and shin pads.

Week Commencing	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PLEASE NOTE – THE BELOW LISTED TIMES ARE COLLECTION/FINISH TIMES					
20 th October	Yr 4 Girls Football, 4:15		Yr 5/6 Hockey, 4:15	Yr 5 Netball, 4:15	
27 th October	HALF TERM				
Week Commencing	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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3 rd November	Yr 5/6 Girls Football, 4:15	KS2 Boccia/Curling, 4:15	Yr 5/6 Hockey, 4:15	Yr 6 Netball, 4:15	Yr 4 Golf, 4:15
10 th November	Yr 4 Girls Football, 4:15	KS2 Boccia/Curling, 4:15	Yr 5/6 Hockey, 4:15	Yr 5 Netball, 4:15	Yr 4 Golf, 4:15
17 th November	Yr 5/6 Girls Football, 4:15	KS2 Boccia/Curling, 4:15	Yr 5/6 Hockey, 4:15	Yr 5 Netball, 4:15	
24 th November	Yr 4 Girls Football, 4:15	KS2 Boccia/Curling, 4:15			
1 st December	Yr 5/6 Girls Football, 4:15				

8 th December					
15 th December					
22 nd December	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS				

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Gymnastics Club will be postponed until further notice.

School Dinner Menu

Please find below the Food Standards Agency's List of Allergens – Numbered 1-14
Some of our dishes contain Allergens which are monitored closely and are listed alongside the corresponding dish.

1. Celery
2. Cereals Containing Gluten
3. Crustaceans

4. Eggs
5. Fish
6. Lupin
7. Milk

8. Molluscs
9. Mustard
10. Nuts
11. Peanuts

12. Sesame Seeds
13. Soya
14. Sulphur Dioxide

MONDAY

SM1: Westcountry sausages served with herby diced potatoes, sweetcorn or baked beans **2.14.**

VEGETARIAN: Veggie sausages served with herby diced potatoes, sweetcorn or baked beans **2.**

PUDDING: Ice lollies

TUESDAY

SM1: Breaded chicken goujons with tomato pasta/plain pasta and mixed vegetables **2.**

VEGETARIAN: Vegan nuggets with tomato pasta/plain pasta and mixed vegetables

PUDDING: White chocolate chip cookie **2.4.7.13.**

WEDNESDAY

SM1: Fresh roast chicken served with crispy roast potatoes, sliced carrots, garden peas & gravy **2.**

VEGETARIAN: Quorn fillet served with carrots or garden peas **2.4.7.**

PUDDING: Fresh smoothies

THURSDAY- Bag Meal

SM1: Battered small fry alongside golden fries, mushy peas or seasonal vegetables **2.7.**

VEGETARIAN: Cheese and onion lattice, golden fries, mushy peas or seasonal vegetables **2.7.**

PUDDING: Chocolate biscuits **2.7.11.**

FRIDAY – Inset Day

Payments for dinners (£2.60) are to be made online at 'www.mychildatschool.com' or via MCAS app.

Jacket Potato with beans and/or cheese is available most days.

Fresh salad available every day.

Fresh fruit platter and yoghurt available every day as an alternative to pudding.

Happy Birthday!

Next week we wish a big happy birthday to...

Alba Slater-T, Asta Slater-T, Eden-Grey T, Florence H, Freddie Q,

Katy W, Oliver P, Orla H, Parker R



Current Vacancies

Please see the link below for our Harbour School's Partnership career opportunities -

<https://harbourschoolspartnership.current-vacancies.com/Careers/Harbour-Schools-Partnership-Vacancy-Search-Page-1711>

PTFA News

Come and join our Parent, Teacher & Friends Association!

We warmly invite all parents and guardians to become part of our Parent, Teacher & Friends Association (PTFA)!

We are committed to enhancing our children's educational experiences through essential fundraising for activities and resources. These include fairs, raffles etc.

Our involvement is not only invaluable, but it also strengthens our school's community!

Join us to connect with other parents, share ideas, and collaborate on initiatives that make a real difference in our children's school lives!

If you're interested in being part of this worthwhile initiative, please email claireptfa@gmail.com

Let's work together to make our school even better!



Ferdinand Collective Devon

FREE girls only football holiday club this half term.

Below is all the information.

🏈💖 Girls Only Football Holiday Club – October Half Term! 💖🏈
it's completely FREE! 🙌

We're so excited to announce our Girls Only Football Holiday Club this October Half Term

Thanks to our amazing sponsor, Garage Pro Automotive, Barnstaple, we are able to offer these sessions at no cost. A huge thank you to them for supporting girls' football in our community! 💖

👉 Check them out here: <https://www.facebook.com/GarageProAutomotive>

✉ info@garageproautomotive.co.uk

📍 Where: 3G pitch, Tarka Leisure Centre

📅 When: Monday 27 October, 10am - 1pm

👤 Who: Girls aged 5 - 12 years – all abilities welcome!

Booking link: <https://romar-sports.classforkids.io/camp/89>

📍 Where: 3G pitch, The Kingsley School

📅 When: Tuesday 28 October, 10am - 1pm

👤 Who: Girls aged 5 - 12 years – all abilities welcome!

Booking link: <https://romar-sports.classforkids.io/camp/90>

Our holiday club is all about fun, confidence, and friendship through football. ⚡ Girls-only sessions create a relaxed, supportive space where players can:

Try new skills without pressure 🏈

Grow in confidence and self-belief 🧠

Make friends and be part of a team 🤝

Learn from inspiring coaches who understand the girls' game 🔄

It doesn't matter if your daughter has played before or is completely new to football — everyone is welcome! Come along, join the fun, and see why girls' football is growing stronger every day! 💖🏈

Spaces are limited — book your free place today!



FREE

Tarka 3G, Barnstaple

Monday 27th 10am - 1pm

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FREE

Kingsley School 3G, Bideford

Tuesday 28th 10am - 1pm

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FREE

**GIRLS ONLY
HOLIDAY CLUB**

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October Half Term Tennis Camps



*Develop your child's tennis whilst having fun, making friends & playing games.
Our dedicated, passionate & engaging coaches welcome all ages & abilities in great locations.*

Junior Camp

5 - 12 yr olds | 10am - 1pm | £15 per day or two children for £25 (Siblings or Friends)

Dates

Tues 28th Oct - Braunton
Weds 29th Oct - Barnstaple
Thurs 30th Oct - Braunton
Fri 31st Oct - Barnstaple

Teen Camp

12 - 16 yr olds | 10am - 1pm | £15 per day or two children for £25 (Siblings or Friends)

Dates

Tues 28th Oct - Braunton
Thurs 30th Oct - Braunton

Locations

Barnstaple Park Lane Tennis Club, Rock Park, EX32 9AH
Braunton Braunton Tennis Club, Wrafton Road, EX33 2BP

To book email: bookings@devonshiretennisacademy.com

www.devonshiretennisacademy.com



North Devon Hockey Club Juniors Training

Tuesdays

U8: 6pm - 6:45pm

U10: 6pm - 7pm

U12/U14: 6:45pm - 7:45pm

Starting from Tuesday 9th September



We offer a free taster session
for anyone who would like to
give hockey a go!

U8: £40 subs per term
U10/U12/U14: £85 subs for the year

The Park Community School, Barnstaple, EX32 9AX



Check out our
website for more
information

@northdevonhockeyclub
northdevonhockeyclub@gmail.com




**NEW FRIDAY NIGHT
FOOTBALL TEAM
UNDER 9'S** (school years from
September 3/4)
**ALL ABILITIES WELCOME
TRAINING FRIDAYS
6PM-7PM**
ROCK PARK
Contact SAS on Facebook if
interested

5:30-6:30
Park school astro
From October



CITY COMMUNITY TRUST

OCTOBER

HOLIDAY CLUBS

FOOTBALL FUN FOR GIRLS AND BOYS!

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

9.30am - 3.30pm

Monday 27th - Friday 31st October

AGES 5-14

SKILLS TOURNAMENTS PRIZES FUN, FUN, FUN!

BOOK TODAY

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PRIMARY
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Sticklepath
Community Primary Academy

MONDAY 27th -
FRIDAY 31st
OCTOBER

**OCTOBER
HALF TERM
ACTIVITY
DAYS**

8.30-3.30

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For More information, contact us :
north.devon@primary-sports.co.uk
www.primary-sports.co.uk
 07531530131

HEAD TO OUR
WEBSITE FOR MORE
INFORMATION AND
TO BOOK!

NORTH DEVON CROSS COUNTRY LEAGUE

**Six Races throughout the Winter
2025 - 2026**

Sunday 5th October: Kingsley School Bideford
 Sunday 2nd November: Shebbear College
 Sunday 30th November: West Buckland School
 Sunday 11th January: Northam Burrows, Westward Ho!
 Sunday 1st February: Kingsley School Bideford
 Sunday 1st March: West Buckland School
 Races for School Years 2 to 12 and Adults
 First races usually at 10am

FULL DETAILS AND TO ENTER ON LINE GO TO:
www.northdevonxcleague.weebly.com

**ENTRIES INVITED FROM
SCHOOLS, RUNNING CLUBS, BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS**

THE LEAGUE IS OPEN TO NORTH DEVON COMMUNITY IRRESPECTIVE OF ABILITY OR EXPERIENCE
RACES FOR UNDER 9's THROUGH TO SENIORS

SPORT ENGLAND CLUB MARK **Active Kids** **SPORT ENGLAND** **RUN ENGLAND**

**HALLOWEEN
FUN & GAMES**

**YEO VALLEY WOODLAND
SUNDAY, 26 OCTOBER FROM 2 - 4PM**

**PUMPKIN CARVING • FANCY DRESS COMPETITION
SPOOKY CRAFTS • BBQ & REFRESHMENTS**

PUMPKINS £2.50 - TAKE THEM HOME FOR HALLOWEEN! FANCY DRESS JUDGING.

**ALL PROCEEDS TO THE CHILDREN'S SUMMER CLUB AND FRIENDS OF YEO VALLEY
COMMUNITY WOODLAND.**

St Paul's Church

**COFFEE
STOP**

**COME GRAB A COFFEE
AFTER SCHOOL DROP OFF**

Parents & toddlers welcome.

**EVERY
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St Paul's Church, Sticklepath

Facebook Instagram

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PRELOVED BABY & CHILDREN'S SALE



**SUNDAY 23RD
NOVEMBER
2PM - 3.30PM**



ROUNDSWELL COMMUNITY CENTRE

PRELOVED
ITEMS FROM
BIRTH TO
TEENAGERS!



TOYS
CLOTHES
BOOKS
& MORE

SAVE MONEY ON HIGH QUALITY, PRELOVED ITEMS

BAG YOURSELF A BARGAIN

BOOK A STALL & MAKE SOME MONEY

£10 FOR SELLERS & £1 ON DOOR FOR ADULTS, CHILDREN FREE

FREE ENTRY AFTER 3PM

INTERESTED IN BOOKING A TABLE? CONTACT LOUISE LINCOLN

07871 951439 OR LOUMOIR@HOTMAIL.COM OR

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Children & Family Health Devon



WHO WE ARE?

We are a group of professionals including psychologists, psychiatrists, occupational therapists, speech and language therapists, physiotherapists, nurses, administrative support and many other professions.

WHAT WE DO?

CFHD provides integrated, specialist care across physical and mental health for children, young people and their families in Devon and Torbay.

WHO CAN GET HELP?

Anyone aged under 18 who lives in Devon (excluding Plymouth) and Torbay can get specialist care from CFHD.

GET IN TOUCH

Single Point of Access Team

t: 0330 0245 321

e: CFHD.DevonSPA@nhs.net

www.childrenandfamilyhealthdevon.nhs.uk



Children & Family Health Devon

REQUESTING HELP FROM CFHD

Anyone aged under 18 who lives in Devon (excluding Plymouth) can get specialist care from CFHD. To get help from CFHD you will need a referral. A referral is the way to ask to see an NHS specialist.

If you need **urgent help** there are lots of places that offer instant access support over the phone, by text or online.

WHAT ARE PATHWAYS OF CARE

After we've received a referral, our experts decide whether the child or young person needs specialist care from CFHD.

If they do, the child or young person and their family will receive care from one or more CFHD Pathways depending on their particular needs.

Each Pathway covers a particular set of issues. Healthcare specialists work together within each Pathway to provide the best care and support.

CFHD PATHWAYS OF CARE

- Urgent Care
- Speech, Language and Communication
- Physical and Sensory
- Community Children's Nursing
- Neurodiversity
- Business Support and Single Point of Access
- Early Child Development
- Specialist Learning Disability
- Addressing adverse childhood experiences
- Mental Health Support Team
- Mood, Emotions and Relationships
- Eating Disorders

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR
MORE INFORMATION**

