



STICKLEPATH COMMUNITY PRIMARY ACADEMY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Thursday 23rd October 2025

From our Leadership Team

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we head into the half-term break, we can look back on a very busy few weeks with plenty to celebrate. The fantastic news this week that our Year 4 boys' Cross Country team achieved **1st place** in the Stephen's Shield—competing against more than 25 schools—is a wonderful achievement. We are all incredibly proud of the boys for their effort, teamwork, and determination. Well done, everyone!

In assembly this week, we spoke to all the children about staying safe while out and about on Halloween. Please do reinforce these simple safety messages with your child, especially if they are going out without you:

- Always go out with an adult and stay with your group.
- Be kind and respectful when visiting houses – only knock where there are lights on or decorations displayed.
- Remember to say thank you and be polite to everyone you meet.
- Take care when crossing roads and stay visible by carrying a torch or wearing something bright.

We wish all our families a fun, safe Halloween and a well-deserved, relaxing half-term break.

Ms Warner, Mr Blunt and Miss Phillips.

Tempest Photography

On Wednesday 5th November we have Tempest Photography onsite taking individual and sibling photos for children in Reception - Year 6.

Please Note:

- ALL children are required to be in FULL UNIFORM (as per the school website) on this date.
- Any children with PE on this day and/or those who attend Lunchtime Cross Country Club will need to bring trainers to change into.
- For children who attend Hockey Club, please bring full PE kit to change into before the club starts.
- For the classes that have Forest School on Wednesdays, please bring in forest school clothing in a named bag as usual.

The school hall will be open from 8:00am for families with children outside of Sticklepath School and Nursery only. Any children with siblings within Sticklepath School will be photographed together during the day so there is no need to bring them to the hall during this early session.

We will be arranging a separate session for individual photos for our children in Sticklepath Nursery and inform parents of the date once confirmed.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Teacher News

Class KLA

After half term Mrs Smith will be returning from her adoption leave to work one day a week in KLA class on a Thursday. Mrs Lancaster will continue to do the other 4 days. Mrs Smith has already met the class at the end of last term and is excited to start.

Track Challenge

Autumn Track Challenge 2025

Class	Average number of laps per child (1 lap = 390m)	Total laps per class
DPA	2.77	382
GTU	2.76	319
LWA	3.33	336
LLO	3.02	375
EFI	3.49	328
CDI	3.29	326
TRG	3.47	363
AWE	3.30	423
DSM	4.03	544
AJA	3.76	543
BPH	3.46	472
KLA	3.47	504
DMO	3.53	487
BCL	3.82	575
All Classes	3.39	5977

The average was taken from the number of children running each day.

In Key Stage 1 Class **EFI** had the highest average laps per child at **3.49** but **DPA** ran the most laps.

In Key Stage 2 Class **DSM** had the highest average laps per child at but **BCL** ran the most laps.

The highest number of laps recorded for a pupil in KS1 was **Johnny (EFI)** for the boys and **Alba (EFI)** for the girls. The highest number of laps recorded for a pupil in KS2 was **Lucas (AJA)** for the boys and **Ella (DSM), Bluebelle (AJA) and Emma (DMO)**.

The highest number of laps for staff for the week was **Mrs Clement (19)** with Mr Smallwood (15) and Miss Tucker (14).

Collectively we managed to run **5977 laps**. Thank you staff for taking part and all the children for continuing to make the track challenge an integral part of our school life!

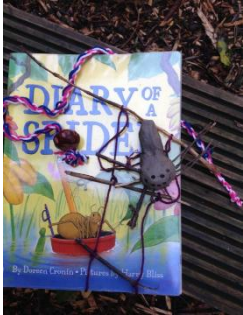
Well done everyone 😊

Year 4/5 Roman Day

This week, our classes stepped back in time to experience life in Ancient Rome! Everyone looked fantastic in their Roman costumes — from emperors and soldiers to goddesses and citizens. The children took part in a range of exciting activities, including drama sessions that brought Roman life to the classroom, learning greetings in Latin and writing their names, and creating beautiful mosaics and laurel wreaths. It was a brilliant day full of creativity, learning, and fun, helping the children to truly understand what life was like in Roman times.

Forest School

This week we have been learning about spiders. Love them or loathe them it is spider season. This week Years 1 and 2 set about creating a spider habitat – a giant leaf spider. After discovering spiders eat bugs we made 'leaf-a-pillers' to feed our own giant leaf spider. Clay spiders were also constructed and set free in the Forest School area ready to be found. Finally, we decorated conkers to look like spiders and added their own silk to hang them up indoors to see if spiders really don't like conkers!



Open Evening




OPEN EVENING
WEDNESDAY
12th
NOVEMBER
3.30pm - 5.30pm

Growing Young Minds





OPEN EVENING WEDNESDAY 12th NOVEMBER 2025 3.30pm - 5.30pm

At Sticklepath Community Primary Academy we believe – really, truly believe – that every child can succeed and excel through hard work, perseverance and commitment and it is our job, best served in partnership with parents, to enable this to happen. We are passionate about learning and design the most exciting, relevant and academically challenging learning experiences that enable children to think deeply about the world and their place within it. That's why we're inviting you to come and safely experience everything that our inspiring academy can offer your child.

Please contact the school on 01271 342455 to make a booking for our open evening. You are also very welcome to email Holly Pennington, our Early Years Lead at holly.pennington@thsp.org.uk with your questions.

To find out more about the vision and values at Sticklepath School please visit our website.

www.sticklepathschool.org.uk
e: sticklepath@thsp.org.uk
t: 01271 342455



Sticklepath Community Primary Academy
Woodville, Barnstaple
EX31 2HH

Growing Young Minds

Important Dates

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

Wednesday 10th – Thursday 11th December – Year 6 Bristol Residential

Autumn Term Timetables

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

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
27 th October	HALF TERM				
PLEASE NOTE – THE BELOW LISTED TIMES ARE COLLECTION/FINISH TIMES					
3 rd November	Yr 5/6 Girls Football, 4:15	KS2 Boccia/Curling, 4:15	Yr 5/6 Hockey, 4:15 Yr 5 Drama, 4:30	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 6 Drama, 4:30	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 Year 5 Drama, 4:30	Yr 5 Netball, 4:15	
24 th November	Yr 4 Girls Football, 4:15	KS2 Boccia/Curling, 4:15	Year 6 Drama, 4:30		
1 st December	Yr 5/6 Girls Football, 4:15		Year 5 Drama, 4:30		
8 th December					
15 th December			Year 5 & 6 Drama, 4:30		
22 nd December	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS				

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

School Dinner Menu

LUNCH MENU – WEEK 1

3rd & 24th Nov. – 15th Dec. – 19th Jan. – 9th Feb. – 9th & 30th Mar.

Wholemeal Bread, Salad Bar, Fruit, Low Fat Yoghurts, Milk & Water available daily. All Special Diets catered for.

Meat Free Monday	Tasty Tuesday	Roast it up Wednesday	Treat yourself Thursday	Finish it off Friday
Margherita Pizza & Pasta	(NEW)Butchers Pork Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Spaghetti	Roast Turkey & Stuffing with Roast or Mash Potato	Big Brunch, Sausage, Bacon & Omelette	Jumbo Fish Finger
(NEW)Veggie Patty & Pasta	(NEW)BBQ Super Duper Noodles & Quorn Strips	(NEW)Broccoli & Cheese Stuffed Jacket Potato	Veggie Brunch Sausage & Omelette	Vegetable Nuggets
Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Mixed Vegetables	Green Beans or Corn on the Cob	Seasonal Veg. & Gravy	Chopped Tomatoes or Baked Beans, Mushrooms & Hash Browns	Chips or Pasta, Sweetcorn or Peas & Tomato Sauce
(NEW)Rice Pudding with Strawberry Jam	Mandarin Jelly	Ice Cream	(NEW)Apple/ Apricot Crunch & Custard	(NEW)Toffee Krispies

LUNCH DF/GF MENU – WEEK 1

3rd & 24th Nov. – 15th Dec. – 19th Jan. – 9th Feb. – 9th & 30th Mar.

GF Bread, Salad Bar, Fruit, DF Yoghurts, DF Milk & Water available daily. All Special Diets catered for.

Meat Free Monday	Tasty Tuesday	Roast it up Wednesday	Treat yourself Thursday	Finish it off Friday
DF Cheese & GF Base Pizza GF Pasta	Big Brunch, DF/GF Sausage, Bacon & Omelette	Roast Turkey & DF Stuffing with Roast or Mash Potato	DF Jumbo Fish Finger or GF Fish Finger	DF/GF(NEW)Butchers Pork Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with GF Spaghetti
(NEW)Veggie Patty DF Cheese & GF Pasta	DF Veggie Brunch Sausage & Omelette	GF(NEW)Broccoli & DF Cheese Stuffed Jacket Potato	DF Vegetable Nuggets	(NEW)BBQ Super Duper Noodles & Quorn Strips
Jacket Potato with DF Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with DF Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with DF Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with DF Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with DF Cheese or Beans
Mixed Vegetables	Chopped Tomatoes or Baked Beans, Mushrooms & DF/GF Hash Browns	Seasonal Veg. & Gravy	Chips or GF Pasta, Sweetcorn or Peas & Tomato Sauce	Green Beans or Corn on the Cob
GF Rice Pudding & Jam or Alpro Soya Choc. Yoghurt	DF/GF Mandarin Jelly	DF/GF Ice Cream	DF (NEW)Apple/ Apricot Crunch or GF Apple & Apricots with DF Custard	DF/GF Lexi Bar

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

Happy Birthday!

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

Charlotte H, George M, Gracie O'S, Nova P, Albert S, Ella S, Isla W, Jesse G,
Mihail D, Oscar L, Phoebe L, Poppy-May N, Sienna P, Vogue-Jewel R,



Current Vacancies

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

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

Scholastic Book Club

Our new Sticklepath Spooky Scholastic Book Club is LIVE!



Please go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/sticklepath-primary/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online. Every £1 you spend on this Book club will raise 0.20p in Scholastic Rewards for our own Sticklepath Library.

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!



Student News – Stanley's Dog Walk

Stanley and his mum have walked 42.7 miles so far and raised £87 which is higher than the £50 they had hoped! They are aiming for £100 now.

Community News

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

SKILLS TOURNAMENTS PRIZES FUN, FUN, FUN!

AGES 5-14

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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 :
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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.

In conjunction with the Children's Summer Club.
 Please wear suitable footwear/cost.
 No unaccompanied children.
 For more information, call 01271 388328.

St Paul's Church

COFFEE STOP

COME GRAB A COFFEE
AFTER SCHOOL DROP OFF

Parents & toddlers welcome.

**EVERY
THURSDAY 9-10.30AM**

St Pauls Church, Sticklepath

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
SEARCH FACEBOOK FOR 'NORTH DEVON PRELOVED BABY & CHILDREN'S SALES'**



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

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MORE INFORMATION**

