

Weekly

Parent Bulletin



Friday 15th December 2023



Final Christmas Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful, final few weeks of festivities and performances at Sticklepath it has been. We really want to thank all the various teams, including our excellent PTFA, for the immense efforts and commitment in making the Christmas period one to remember for all our children. It really is a team approach at Sticklepath that creates the Christmas Fayre, Nativities and Carol Concerts, to name just a few of the many highlights this term.

We hope everyone has the chance to rest at some point over the busy period and hold their loved ones close. Our message in our Christmas Assemblies have been about the true gift at Christmas being those around us and the opportunity at this time of year to spend quality time with extended families and friends. We pray for those in the world that are not so fortunate because of the various conflicts that are currently taking place and hope that 2024 brings more peaceful times.

Please also find a link below to the Tarka Learning Partnership's December newsletter.

We wish everyone a joyful Christmas and happy New Year. See you all back on January 2nd.

Ms Warner and Mr Blunt.

<https://tarkatrust.org.uk/about/trust-newsletters/>

Growth Mindset – Learners of the Term



Congratulations to all of our Learner of the Term Award Winners!

Mia Hammett	Noah Suci Daka	Peyton Galliford	Joshua Ward
Lily Capner	Klay Moule	Amelia Mclean	Henry Carpenter
Rosanna Cordery	Harriet Fellowes	Isla Smith	Inaya Aslam
	Leila Harley	Luke Stanton	Alina Anopriieva



Reception Nativity

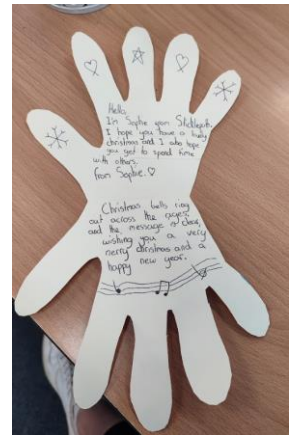


We are so proud of our Reception children for putting on some fantastic performances of their Nativity. They sang with confidence and smiles and told the true story of Christmas. Well done reception!

Christmas in the Community



In our RE learning this term, Year 3 /4 have been focusing on how the Christmas story can teach us about charity and humility. As part of our learning, we looked at how the Wise men, shepherds and the Innkeeper all gave charity to Joseph and Mary, from Frankincense, Myrrh and Gold, a place to stay as well as their love and time. We then thought about how Christmas time can be a lonely time for others so therefore we decided to write Christmas cards to give to the residents of a care home by giving our time and care to others. The children were so pleased when they saw the pictures of the residents receiving the cards. It was lovely to see the joy and excitement from all involved and definitely reminded the children of the real message of Christmas.



This Week in Forest School...



This week we have been enjoying using the skills we have been working on all term, from making outdoor Xmas tree decorations, decorating deciduous trees by adding colourful wool to chalking a trail around the school track.

We have shared the story of ' Babushka 'retold by Sandra Ann Horn.

Thank you to all the classes we have had this term, and a Merry Christmas from
Mandy and Mrs K.



Girls' Football



Congratulations to the girl's football team who finished runners up in the Barnstaple qualifiers today. They won all their group matches and beat Newport in the quarter finals. The semi-final was a much closer affair winning against Shirwell in the most dramatic of penalty shoot outs. Big shout out to Sienna in goal for keeping her cool. Unfortunately, we lost 1-0 in the final against Pilton but we have secured our place in the North Devon finals at Kingsley School in February. The girls were magnificent losing only one match. We are very proud of their sportsmanship, teamwork and effort throughout!

Spring Term Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Forest School		BPH AJA	AWE CDI	LLO SAB	EFI BCL
PE	EFI CDI AWE BPH SAB	DSM EFI CDI AJA SAB DMO	TRG LLO AJA BCL	LWA MPA TRG LLO BCL DMO RSO	DSM AWE BPH RSO

After School Clubs

Day	Club	Dates
Monday	Year 4, 5, 6 Girls Football	Year 5/6 – 08/01, 22/01, 05/02 Year 4 – 15/01, 29/01
Tuesday	Year 4 Handball	AJA – 09/01, 16/01 BPH – 23/01, 30/01
Wednesday	Year 5/6 Hockey	10/01, 17/01, 24/01, 07/02
Thursday	Year 3 Golf	AWE – 11/1, 18/1 CDI – 25/1, 1/2
Friday	Year 5/6 Netball (SELECTED PLAYERS ONLY)	12/01, 19/01, 26/01

Gymnastics

GYMNASTICS DATES

JANUARY 2024

Monday 8th TRG & LLO

Monday 15th EFI & DSM

Monday 22nd TRG & LLO

Monday 29th EFI & DSM

Wednesday 10th AWE & CDI

Wednesday 24th BCL, SAB, RSO & DMO

Wednesday 31st AWE & CDI

FEBRUARY

Monday 5th TRG & LLO

Monday 19th EFI & DSM

Monday 26th TRG & LLO

Wednesday 7th BPH & AJA

Wednesday 21st BCL, SAB, RSO & DMO

Wednesday 28th AWE & CDI

MARCH

Monday 4th Competition entrants
only

Monday 11th Competition entrants
only

Monday 18th EFI & DSM

Monday 25th TRG & LLO

Wednesday 6th Competition entrants
only

Wednesday 13th Competition entrants
only

Wednesday 20th BPH & AJA

Wednesday 27th BCL, SAB, RSO & DMO

Drama Club

We will shortly be sending out a rehearsal schedule for Spring Term.

Please note the first two sessions in January will be auditions for our summer production and children should only attend the one session in which auditions for their chosen character are being held:

Thursday 4th January 3:30 – 5:00	Mary Poppins Bert Mr (George) Banks Mrs (Winifred) Banks Jane Banks Michael Banks
Thursday 11th January 3:30 – 5:00	Katie Nanna Mrs Brill Robertson Ay Neleus Bird Woman Chairman Von Hussler Northbrook General ensemble parts e.g. Londoners, honeybees, clerks, statues, kite-flyers etc.

Menu from Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Monday

Tuesday

SM1: Homemade tomato pasta with homemade bread

Pudding: Homemade golden flapjack

Wednesday

SM1: Fresh ham served with croquette potatoes, mixed vegetables and mixed salad

Vegetarian: Homemade homity pie served with croquette potatoes, mixed vegetables and mixed salad

Pudding: Homemade apple crumble and custard

Thursday

SM1: Chicago town stuffed crust margherita pizza with herby-diced potatoes and peas or sweetcorn

Pudding: Raspberry ripple ice cream roll

Friday

SM1: Breaded small fry alongside golden fries and mushy peas

Vegetarian: Spicy bean burger alongside golden fries and mushy peas

Pudding: Homemade chocolate drop cookies

Payments for dinners (£2.40) are to be made online at 'www.mychildatschool.com' or via MCAS app.

Jacket Potato with beans is available most days.

Fresh salad available every day.

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

Some of our food may contain allergens (which are closely monitored). If you have any concerns please speak to a member of staff.

Birthdays



Archie M		Hollie H	Bella R-R
Ashton H	Elliot O	James-Dean K	Evie W-E
Bluebelle T	Erin M-B	Reggie W	Joel S
Charlie J	Frank H	Rosanna C	Luca M
Clement B	Harry W	Ruby S	Magic G

Admissions

Was your child born between
1st September 2019 and
31st August 2020?

How to Apply for a Primary School Place in Devon

You can apply online at
www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline
from 15th November 2023 to the 15th January 2024

If you cannot access the school
admissions website you can get
more information by calling our
Education Helpline on

0345 155 1019

or email: admissions@devon.gov.uk



Even if you have already given
details to a primary school, you
must apply for a place through the
Admissions Team. This is the only
way to apply; other forms or lists
held by schools will not count.

Community News

Friday 8th Dec at 6.00pm

Christingle Service

Sticklepath Methodist Church



Make a
Christingle
and take it
home

Sticklepath
School
Choir will
be singing

Light refreshments will be served

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S SERVICE

10am SUNDAY 24th DECEMBER

A chance for the children to dress up as their favourite Christmas Nativity character. A shepherd, an angel or even a sheep! The REAL Christmas story with crib, Christmas carols and festivities.



MUSEUM OF THE MOON by LUKE JERRAM

SAT 16 DECEMBER - SAT 6 JANUARY
BARNSTAPLE PANNIER MARKET
OPEN 10 - 8 DAILY*
FREE ENTRY

*OPENING TIMES VARY SO PLEASE CHECK BEFORE VISITING.
CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY.



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TICKETS SHOULD BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE

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CASTLE HILL

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This winter, for the first time ever, take a magical after-dark stroll around Castle Hill's illuminated gardens.

8th - 10th & 14th - 17th December

- Indoor Christmas Market
- Street Food & Drink Vendors
- Bar & Mulled Wine
- Fire Pit & Toasted Marshmallows
- Festive Music
- Free Car Parking
- BOOK NOW peak dates and times are selling fast!

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BEAT THE FOX

MULTI-TERRAIN
5K FUN RUN
KIDS & ADULTS
26TH DECEMBER

FREMINGTON

SPOT PRIZES
FANCY DRESS OPTIONAL

ADULTS: £15
U18s: £10
MEMENTO INCLUDED

TROPHIES FOR TOP 3 AND CATEGORY WINNERS

Registration closes on 23rd December
Members of ARCEA are eligible for a £2 discount
Under 14s must run the route with an adult
ARC/23/0614

PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY @
WWW.FREMINGTONTRAILBLAZERS.CO.UK

Trailblazers Race Licence ARC/23/0614



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WWW.PRIMARY-SPORTS.CO.UK

Christmas Activity Days

WHEN?
MONDAY 18TH DECEMBER- THURSDAY 21ST DECEMBER

TIMINGS
STANDARD DAY 8.30AM-3.30PM
EXTENDED DAY 8.00AM- 5.30PM

WHERE?
STICKLEPATH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

HOW TO BOOK:

- VISIT OUR WEBSITE- PRIMARY-SPORTS.CO.UK
- CLICK ON THE TAB 'BOOK NOW'
- SCROLL DOWN TO STICKLEPATH PRIMARY SCHOOL- CHRISTMAS ACTIVITY DAYS

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- GLOW IN THE DARK DODGEBALL
- CHRISTMAS DISCO
- CHRISTMAS ARTS AND CRAFTS
- SANTA AND ELF VISIT
- CHRISTMAS BINGO



PRIMARY SPORTS & EDUCATION
WWW.PRIMARY-SPORTS.CO.UK

DEVON HAF
HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

HAF PROGRAMME Christmas Activity Days

WHEN?
Monday 18th December- Thursday 21st December

TIMINGS:
Standard day 9.00am-10.00pm
Extended day options available

WHERE?
Sticklepath Community Primary Academy

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Side by Side Taw & Torridge is a parent led organisation that offers face to face support groups for parents and carers of children, young people and adults with additional needs.

If you are a parent or carer struggling to navigate the different services for health and education, then come and join one of our friendly support sessions and connect with other families living similar circumstances.

November Dates

Friday 10th – St John's Garden Centre Café, St John's Lane (Next to Tesco) from 11am. Any questions please contact Bonnie: **07377625276**

Tuesday 14th - Morrison's Supermarket Café, Bideford from 10:30am.

Any questions please contact Natalie: **07966910527**

Tuesday 21st – Lemon Tree Café, Holland Walk, Barnstaple from 10am

Any questions please contact Janice: **07869436621**

Thursday 30th – Online Specialist Education and EHCP support session from 7-9pm

Any questions and to book a place contact Tracey: **07921220840**

Email: sidebysidebarnstaple@outlook.com

Find us on [Facebook](#)

NORTH DEVON ETC TRIALS

WHO: GIRLS AGED 9 – 12

WHERE: TARKA LEISURE CENTRE

TIME: 16:00 – 17:30

DATES:

27TH NOVEMBER 23

4TH DECEMBER 23

11TH DECEMBER 23

TO REGISTER FOR THE TRIALS
SCAN THIS QR CODE



There for you
Newport Road & Boutport St.
Barnstaple

ROMAR SPORTS

CHRISTMAS FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CLUB

18 - 21 DECEMBER

EARLY BIRD OFFER UNTIL 1 DEC £20 PER DAY / £70 FULL WEEK
PRICE THEREAFTER £25 / £70 FULL WEEK

10am - 3pm
girls & boys 5-14 years,
3G Pitch, Tarka Tennis Centre

EARLY BIRD OFFER FULL WEEK £70

LOTS OF PRIZES TO BE WON

LIMITED SPACES
BOOK NOW AS THESE DAYS SELL OUT EVERY YEAR
BOOK NOW: www.romarsports.com

NORTH DEVON

DECEMBER HOLIDAY CLUBS

Football Fun for Boys and Girls

Barnstaple Park School & Ilfracombe College
Monday 18th December – Friday 22nd December
9.30am – 3.30pm.

THE ACTIVITIES
Fun Football Activity with our Match Manias Play, Play, Play

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BOOK TODAY

EXETERCCT.ORG

@EXETERCCT

Reminder that all Junior Grecian Members can get a 10% discount off of Holiday Club Bookings

MUSEUM OF THE MOON EXTRA EVENTS



REST & DE-STRESS

M 18 DEC & TH 4 JAN @ 7.00pm

A RELAXED YOGA SESSION



Ticket (including refreshments) £20.00



NORTH DEVON SINFONIA

TH 21 DEC @ 6.30pm

SOLD OUT!



HOWL AT THE MOON SILENT DISCO (18+)

F 22 DEC @ 8.30pm



Tickets £15.00



NEW YEAR'S DAY FAMILY SILENT DISCO

M 1 JAN @ 3.00pm



U16 £8 / Adult £10 / Family £30

PANNIER MARKET STALLS

Don't forget an eclectic range of stalls will be present in the market in the lead up to Christmas - so why not tie in your trip to the moon with some Christmas shopping or tasty refreshments from local traders



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