

Weekly

Parent Bulletin



Monday 13th December 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we enter the final week before the Christmas break, we look back on this term with an enormous amount of pride in how our children have approached the school year. We know that many families have had a difficult last few weeks as Covid has swept across North Devon and we have seen numbers steadily drop at school. Thankfully, we now are seeing a change and fewer cases with children and staff returning. We want to reassure everyone that we are mindful of the time that children have missed, and have plans to support their catch up and close any gaps that resulted from any lengthy time off. Parents have been so supportive, and have once again guided children through this period with the learning at home as best as their situation allows. We know everyone has unique circumstances, and some have once again had to juggle work and childcare. Please rest assured that whatever additional learning you have done at home has been really appreciated and we will make sure we fully support them when they are fully back at school to get back on track.

This week we also want to say a huge thank you this week to our outstanding Catering Staff and Meal Time Assistants who have gone above and beyond to make Christmas dinner days so memorable for all the children. Our lunchtime team always excel themselves and we are so grateful for their love and enthusiasm at this time of year. The sound of laughter and crackers snapping in the hall is a delight. We hope that your child had a wonderful time. Next week we continue the festivities with nativity plays, Christmas movie afternoons and the annual carols in the courtyard on the last day led by Mr Pennington. We cannot wait!

Have a safe and happy weekend

Ms Warner and Mr Blunt

Growth Mindset of the Term Winners



Congrats to our Growth Mindset Winners this term:



Nursery – Joey Nolan-Jones

MPA – Matthew Rooke-Ramsay

TRG – Florence Slade

EFI – Romie Reed

LLO – Riley Roddis

SAB – Ewen Wall

DSM – Sophie Buss

BPH – Jaycee-Mae Sines

AWE – Albie Bagnall

LWA – Duane Moss

HCA – Tehya Benham

JGO – Florence Otani

RPR – Joel Dibble

RSO – Harley Jenkins

DMO – Amelia Wyszomirska



Christmas Dinners



We have enjoyed some delicious Christmas dinners this week as well as singing at the tops of our voices!



Year 3 and 4 Carol Concert



Year 3 and 4 will be filming their carol concerts next week. As we are no longer able to invite parents to watch, we will be filming them in school hours. Once they have been filmed and ready to go they will be uploaded to Google Classroom by the end of term for parents to view.

This Week in Forest School



This week's theme was Tools and Traditions.

Our story was Little Robin Red Vest (how the robin got his red breast).

Tools – We used our hands to weave natural products, and we learnt why certain plants are/were used in wreath making i.e. Birch for healing, Willow for magic and power, Rosemary for protection, Ivy for peace, Holly for luck and Bay for courage.

Other tools used this week for drilling holes into wood cookies were bit and brace and palm drill.



PTFA Christmas Raffle

Raffles and bonus ball will be drawn on THURSDAY 16th DECEMBER.

Tickets can be brought online by using link below or alternatively contact Emma West.

Any queries please message Emma or contact on 07368408117 or at emmawptfa@gmail.com. Please do not contact main school office.

Christmas Hamper Raffle 50p per ticket.

1st prize. Christmas Food Hamper. £50 cash

2nd prize. Christmas Food Hamper. £20 cash

3rd prize. Christmas Food Hamper. £10 cash

4th Prize. Bouquet of flowers.

5th Prize. £30 Kids adventure Company Voucher.

6th Prize. 1/2 hour ride voucher from North Devon Pony North Devon Pony Parties

7th Prize. 1/2 hour ride voucher from North Devon pony parties.

Toy Raffle. 50p per ticket

Toy Raffle 1 selection will include dolls, lego, books, stationary, Kitchen role-play and £20 Entertainer gift card.

Toy Raffle 2. Selection will include cars, lego, books, stationary, kitchen role-play and £20 Entertainer gift card.

Toy Raffle 3. Selection will include sports, outdoor play, and £20 Argos gift card.

Bonus Ball. £1 per ball.

50% of sales to the PTFA and 50% to winner of drawn ball.

[PTFA Christmas Raffle Tickets](#)





Timetable

PE

Monday: EFI, LLO, AWE, BPH

Tuesday: SAB, DSM, HCA, JGO, RPR

Wednesday: EFI, LWA, RSO, RPR, JGO, DMO

Thursday: DMO, DSM, SAB, MPA, TRG

Friday: LLO, AWE, BPH, LWA, RSO



Children will be requested to wear their PE kits to school on PE days. This can include joggers and sweatshirts in the cooler weather.



Forest School

Tuesday: LLO, SAB

Wednesday: DSM, BPH

Thursday: HCA, EFI

Friday: Nursery (PM)

Please come to school in uniform and bring waterproofs and wellies in a named bag. They need to be taken home afterwards. Thank you.

Term Dates

Please note there will be a change to the dates for Summer Term 2022.
The last day of term will now be Monday 25th July.



Menu from Monday 13th December 2021



	School Meal 1	Vegetarian	Pudding
Monday	Homemade tomato pasta with homemade bread		Homemade iced sponge
Tuesday	Hot dogs with onions and tomato sauce served with oven baked jacket wedges and baked beans	Veggie dog with onions and tomato sauce served with oven baked jacket wedges and baked beans	Strawberry jelly and cream
Wednesday	Fresh gammon with crispy herby potatoes and mixed vegetables	Homemade Mediterranean quiche with crispy herby potatoes and mixed vegetables	Homemade vanilla cake with chocolate ganache & Christmas sprinkles
Thursday	<u>END OF TERM BAG MEAL</u>		
	Battered small fry alongside golden fries and cucumber sticks	Cheese wrap alongside golden fries and cucumber sticks	Homemade Christmas tree biscuit
Friday	<u>CHRISTMAS PARTY BOX MEAL</u>		
	Freshly baked sausage roll, pizza slice, chicken goujons and animal adventure crisps	Freshly baked cheese and onion lattice, pizza slice, Quorn goujons and animal adventure crisps	Chocolate biscuit

Payments for dinners (£2.30) are to be made online at 'www.mychildatschool.com' or via MCAS app.

Please do not send cash in the office – we are trying to reduce cash handling.

Jacket potato with beans is available most days.

Fresh salad available every day

Fruit and yoghurt available every day as an alternative to pudding.

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



Clubs Timetable

Gymnastics

Mondays	LLO	10 th Jan, 7 th Feb, 14 th Mar, 16 th May, 20 th June
	EFI	17 th Jan, 4 th Feb, 21 st Mar, 23 rd May, 27 th June
	DSM	24 th Jan, 28 th Feb, 25 th Apr, 6 th June, 4 th July
	SAB	31 st Jan, 7 th Mar, 9 th May, 13 th June, 18 th July
Wednesday	BPH & AWE	12 th Jan, 2 nd Feb, 2 nd Mar, 23 rd Mar, 4 th May, 25 th May, 22 ^d June,
	LWA & HCA	19 th Jan, 9 th Feb, 9 th Mar, 30 th Mar, 11 th May, 8 th June, 29 th June
	JGO, RPR, DMO & RSO	26 th Jan, 16 th Feb, 16 th Mar, 6 th April, 18 th May, 15 th June, 6 th July

Birthdays



Happy Birthday from everyone at Sticklepath!



Freddie Hummerston – 13th December

Isla-Rose Knuckey – 13th December

Oliver Cole – 13th December

Evie Tanton – 14th December

Harmony Glover – 15th December

Leila Harley – 15th December

Keanu Sutton – 16th December

Charlie Jeffery – 18th December

Ruby Sharp – 20th December

Arlo Farrar – 21st December

Alfie Roddis – 22nd December

Brynley-James Richards – 22nd Decembe

Clement Bevan – 22nd December

Ashton Hawkings – 23rd December

Bluebelle Tucker – 23rd December

Frank Hawkings – 23rd December

Harry Burrows – 23rd December

Archie Mash – 24th December

James-Dean Kouwenhoven – 24th December

Josh Harley – 24th December

Rosco Manser – 25th December

Elliot Orme – 29th December

Hollie Henderson – 30th December

Rosanna Cordery – 31st December



Vacancies



Position: 2 x Cleaner (maternity cover)

Grade: A SCP 1 (£9.25 p/h)

1 x 5 hours per week, 41 weeks per year (term-time + non-pupil days + 2 weeks within the school holidays); 1 x 10 hours per week, year round contract (22 days annual leave + bank holidays) both could be covered by one person

4th January 2022 (subject to pre-employment checks) for 1 year

Closing: 16th December 2021

Interview: 17th December 2021

Sticklepath Community Primary Academy is a partner school of the Tarka Learning Partnership based in North Devon.

We are looking to appoint highly motivated Cleaners to join our hardworking and dedicated premises team to cover a maternity leave. You will be required to undertake the cleaning of buildings within the school site comprising the main building, outside classrooms, nursery and onsite Children's Centre. Areas include toilets and outside spaces to ensure a clean and safe learning environment.

We are looking for a **Cleaner** who has:

- the ability to communicate and follow instruction
- knowledge of COSHH and general Health and Safety, including manual handling and working at height
- high standards of cleanliness
- the ability to manage workload and prioritise work
- a positive outlook and good sense of humour

Experience would be desirable but not essential, as full training will be given to the right candidate.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults, and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This appointment is subject to safer recruitment procedures, receipt of satisfactory references and an enhanced DBS with Children's barred list clearance.

This role requires the ability to fulfil all spoken aspects of the role with confidence and fluency in English.

If you are interested in this vacancy, please download and complete the application form from the school's website and return by email to emitchell@sticklepath.org.uk



Was your child born between
1st September 2017 and
31st August 2018?

How to Apply for a Primary School Place in Devon

You can apply online at
www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline
from 15th November 2021 to 15th January 2022

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.

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 Age 5-12 years
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07:30 to 17:30*
 Monday to Friday

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 Ofsted number - 2559818



Libraries Unlimited
CHILDREN'S LIBRARY FESTIVE ACTIVITIES

SATURDAY 4TH DECEMBER
 Christmas Craft Activity 10am - 12pm
 Lego Builders 2pm - 4pm

SATURDAY 11TH DECEMBER
 Christmas Craft Activity 10am - 12pm
 Lego Builders 2pm - 4pm

WEDNESDAY 15TH DECEMBER
 Last Wednesday Bounce & Rhyme of 2021 10.30am - 11am
 Stories Under the Tree Followed by Hot Chocolate with the B.F.G's (Baronable Friends Group) 4.15pm - 5.30pm

THURSDAY 16TH DECEMBER
 Last Thursday Bounce & Rhyme of 2021 10.30am - 11am

FRIDAY 17TH DECEMBER
 Last Friday Bounce & Rhyme of 2021 10.30am - 11am

SATURDAY 18TH DECEMBER
 Lego Builders 2pm - 4pm

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 girls & boys 4 - 12 years,
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