

Weekly

Parent Bulletin



Monday 11th October 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

As many of you with secondary aged children are probably aware, there have been a number of COVID cases involving teenage children in our local schools over the last few weeks. Whilst the impact on direct transmission to primary children is still very rare, the primary schools in our Trust are seeing an increase in related staff and siblings having to isolate due to the rise of infections and a positive PCR test. You may have noticed that Miss Warner has not been about this week as she has been working from home due to her being a contact. We welcome her back on Monday as well as some other members of staff who have also had to isolate.

For the above reasons, The Tarka Learning Partnership has decided that we all remain at our current levels of risk management. This includes staff still trying to socially distance themselves from other adults wherever possible and continuing to wear face masks in communal areas. Unfortunately, this means we have not been able to return to face-to-face parental meetings at this current time and have had to offer out virtual/phone meetings instead. If you have concerns about your child and need a face-to-face meeting, then please do contact your class teacher who will try and arrange this in a Covid -safe environment. We desperately hope that by the Spring term we will be in a safe place to offer this to everyone again.

Our priority remains keeping the disruption to our children's learning down to a minimum by keeping staff and support services going. Whilst we continue to move back to a 'normal' school year, with trips and sports events now happening, this is a reminder for all of our community to keep doing their bit to keep our school as safe as possible.

We wish everyone a restful and safe weekend – and a more settled week ahead!

Kind regards

Mr Blunt and Miss Warner

Author Visits



On Monday, the children in Reception and Nursery had the fantastic opportunity of meeting the author Chloe Inkpen.

Chloe shared one of her stories about a witch called Mrs Blackhat with the children, and got everyone joining it with the actions and spells within the story. She then showed them how to draw some of her favourite characters.

KS1 were treated to a fantastic hour with the author, Sean Taylor. The children solved riddles, created poetry and acted out parts of Sean's stories. He also read one of his favourite books that he has written and his latest story. The children laughed and giggled as an hour passed by in no time at all.



Year 3 / 4 had a fantastic afternoon with the incredible author, John Townsend. John has written over 300 fiction and non-fiction books! His sound effects buttons really entertained the children alongside his comical delivery. His new series 'shivers' sounded tense and scary but his new 'Christmas Chronicles' sounded like a real festive treat.

Years 5 and 6 had a wonderful afternoon yesterday meeting award-winning author Tanya Landman. She spoke to the pupils about her life and how it has influenced her writing. She also spoke about the setbacks she has faced as an author and how perseverance certainly pays off! The children really enjoyed her funny anecdotes and listening to extracts from her latest books. It was great to see many of them enjoying her books in class this week.



A big thank you to all of the authors for coming in and to Mrs Oke for organising a great week!

Cross Country

What another cracking morning at the Park Yr 5/6 cross country. Nervous faces replaced with smiles after the races. Fantastic effort from all of the children and so supportive of each other. A 1st place in the Yr 5 girls race was followed by a very exciting Yr 5 boys race which finished in a 1,2,3 finish for Sticklepath!

Congratulations to our podium finishers: Amelia, Josh, Ted and Corey



Growth Mindset Winners

Congrats to our Growth Mindset Winners this week:

Nursery – Alba Slater-Teague

BPH – Darcy Burrell

MPA – Ella Smith

AWE – Tamira Sutton

TRG – Sawyer Slater-Teague

HCA – Corey-James Johnson

EFI – Sophia Lester

RPR – Charlie Mann

LLO – Mason Toms

JGO – Seth Hook

SAB – Jasmine Wait

RSO – Olivia Bedford

DSM – Poppy-May Niejadlik

DMO – Laria Robinson



Important Dates

Wednesday 13th October – Year 3 Multi Sports Festival

Monday 18th October – Year 2 Trip to The Bear Trail

Friday 22nd October – Year 1 Trip to The Bear Trail

Wednesday 3rd November – Tempest Photo Day (*More details to follow*)

Wednesday 1st & Friday 3rd December – Year 5/6 Trip to Bristol Museum

Tuesday 14th December – Flu Vaccinations

Reporting an Absence

If you need to report an absence for your child/ren please call the school office as soon as possible after 8:15am. If your child/ren will be absent for more than one day, please ensure you phone the school office each day of their absence. Thank You.

School Dinners – KS1

A reminder to all parents with children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 that your children are all entitled to universal free school meals. Kath and her lovely team in the kitchen would love all the children to come and say hello to her in the hall and try her delicious, healthy hot meals – and you don't have to pay a penny!



PE Tops



Due to supplier stock issues we are currently unable to provide PE tops in sizes 5-6 or 7-8. If you have placed an order for one of these sizes your child(ren) can wear a plain t-shirt (red if possible) on PE days until their new top is delivered. We apologise for any inconvenience caused and will deliver all orders as soon as possible.

Timetable



Forest School

Tuesday: LLO, SAB

Wednesday: DSM, BPH

Thursday: LWA, 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.

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, HCA, 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.

PE Kit - Reception

Students currently in reception do not need PE kit this term and should come to school in full uniform every day. PE this term only requires bare feet as they are in the hall for their lessons. From January they will require a full PE kit which is to be worn to school on PE days.



Menu from Monday 11th October 2021

	Main	Vegetarian	Pudding
Mon	West country sausages with oven baked jacket wedges and baked beans	Quorn sausages with oven baked jacket wedges and baked beans	Homemade golden flapjack
Tues	Homemade pasta Bolognese with garlic bread and salad	Homemade tomato pasta with garlic bread and salad	Homemade date crispy crunch
Weds	Roast chicken with crispy roast potatoes, sliced carrots, sprouts and gravy	Vegetarian roast with crispy roast potatoes, sliced carrots, sprouts and gravy	Raspberry Ripple ice cream roll
Thurs	Homemade sweet and sour pork served with fluffy tilde rice and prawn crackers	Homemade veggie stir fry with sweet chilli sauce, fluffy tilde rice and prawn crackers	Fresh melon
Fri	Battered small fry alongside golden fries and mushy peas	Spicy bean burger alongside golden fries and mushy peas	Homemade lemon feather sponge

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.

Please place your order each morning

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

Clubs Timetable

Day	Lunchtime	After School	Time	Led By
Monday	Yr 3 Cross Country	Yr 4/5/6 Girls Football <i>(Shin pads are compulsory for this club)</i>	3:30 – 4:15	Mrs Slaney/Mrs Venn
		KS1 Gymnastics	3:30 – 4:15	Tara Gray
Tuesday	Yr 5 Cross Country	Yr 3/4 Dance	3:30 – 4:15	Chloe H
Wednesday	Yr 6 Cross Country	Yr 5/6 Netball (Max 20)	3:30 – 4:15	Mrs Gaunt
		KS2 Gymnastics	3:30 – 4:15	Tara Gray
Thursday	Yr 2 Cross Country	Yr 2 Multi Skills (Max 20)	3:30 – 4:15	Mrs Gaunt
Friday	Yr 4 Cross Country	Yr 5/6 Hockey (Max 18) <i>(Shin pads and a gum shield are compulsory for this club)</i>	3:30 – 4:15	Mrs Gaunt

Please ensure children come to school in PE kit on days they are participating in clubs.

Sign up forms have been sent out – if you have not received one you can collect on from the school office.

If you have any questions please speak to Mrs Gaunt.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday from everyone at Sticklepath!



Charlie May – 11th October

Albert Slee – 11th October

Jasmine Wait – 11th October

Georgia Connar – 11th October

Ellie-May Clark – 11th October

Darcy Burrell – 12th October

Hudson Rivett – 12th October

Ava Shellam-Brant – 13th October

Summer Pettit – 13th October

Zane Thomas – 14th October

Fraser Wilkie – 14th October

Isla Gibbings – 14th October

Reuben Hunt – 14th October

Bruce Cobbledick – 15th October

Edward Madge – 15th October

Louie Madge – 15th October

Ellie Braund – 15th October

Elsie Rundle – 15th October

A Big Well Done!

Congratulations go to multiple Sticklepath Students and staff this week for some fantastic achievements!

Myma (LWA) has won the Bumblebees and Flowers art competition run by the Bumblebee Conservation Trust in the category Years 3 & 4. She was selected from the short list by our judge and BBCT patron Kate Bradbury. Congratulations Myma! Kate says "I like the concept of her piece, it hits home how important bees are on a global scale." Myma has won a BBCT Youth Membership and goodie bag, as well as flowering hedge plants and spring bulbs for the school grounds, and some flower and vegetable seeds and activity sheets for her class.



Mason has had a busy few weeks, he has been awarded his 5 metre swimming badge (and waved goodbye to arm bands) in his swimming lesson, he has also been awarded his half marathon wrist band for completing 11 junior park runs.



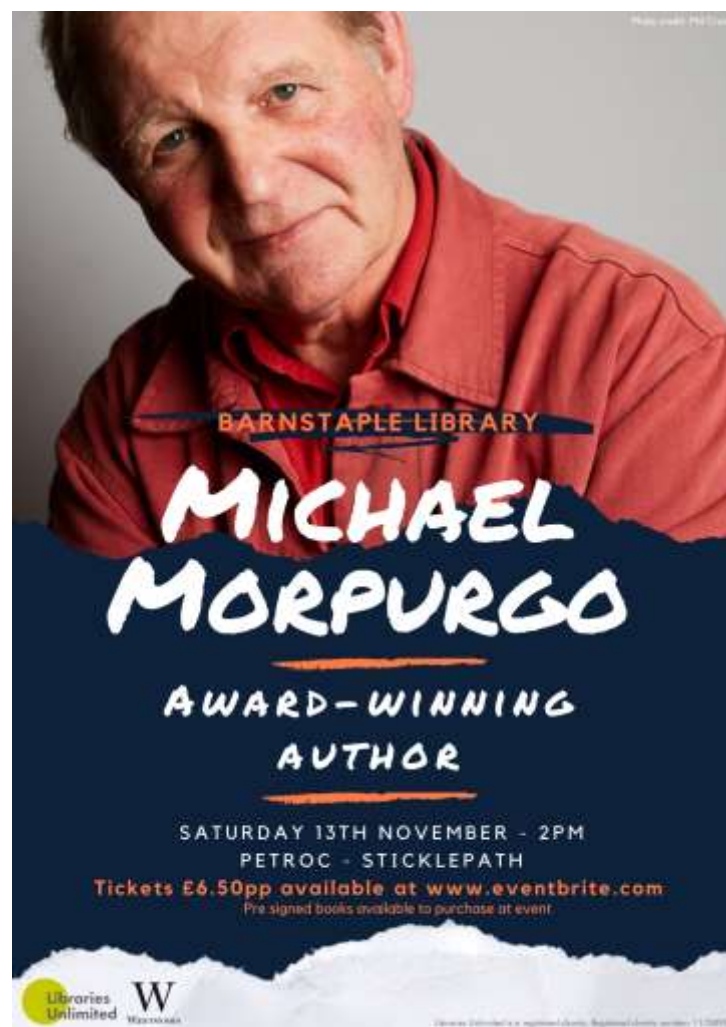
STICKLEPATH COMMUNITY PRIMARY ACADEMY NURSERY

**3 and 4 year old places available from September 2021 in our
teacher led Nursery.**

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**If you would like more information or would like to book a
place, please contact the school office on 01271 342455.**

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Generations of Success

Choosing your secondary school?

If you or your child are undecided in which secondary school to join in September 2022, please book one of our Open Morning tours.

Open Mornings

18th October - 22nd October

Daily 8.50am - 10.40am

The morning will start with an introductory talk from Headteacher Mr Waldron, our Leadership Team will then take you on a tour of the school.

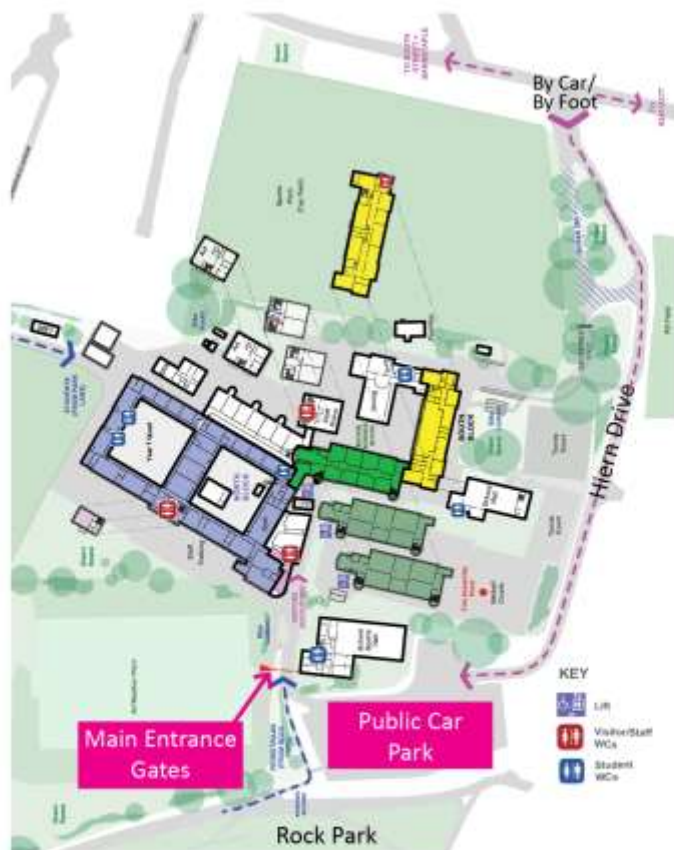
If you have any further questions, we will have a number of staff and students available after the tour.

Tickets must be booked in advance - click the Eventbrite link (places are limited)

If you are unable to attend, please view our virtual Open Event on our website.



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Covid Safety Restrictions

To make the event as safe as possible, we are restricting the number of people to 80 per day. Adults please wear a face covering in buildings (unless exempt), also recommended for children if possible.

Parking And Access (see map)

By Car

Follow Hiern Drive and park in the public car park. Please enter by foot through the school's main entrance gates.

By Foot

Via Hiern Drive footpath or Rock Park, follow the map and enter via the school's main entrance gates.

Open Mornings 18th Oct - 22nd Oct 8.50am until 10.40am

Please arrive via the main entrance gates from 8.40 am. Students will direct you to the School Hall for an 8.50am start.

The morning will start with an introductory talk from Headteacher Mr Waldron, our Leadership Team will then take you on a tour of the school.

If you have any further questions, we will have a number of staff and students available after the tour.

Refreshments are provided in the School Hall after the tours.

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