



Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

There have been so many highlights of the first half term back, with the author visits, sporting events and curriculum trips to name but a few. We hope that your child has chatted to you about what is going on in their learning and what they are finding out from some of the enquiries they are involved with this term.

The whole school theme has been all about 'How we want to be together', and at Sticklepath we continue to think about how little actions can have a big impact on someone else, both positive and negative. The children have carefully considered what kind of learning environment supports them to be able to do their very best, feel safe and contribute to the happiness of everyone. There have been some wonderful and thoughtful discussions in classes and assemblies this term already and look forward to building on this over the year.

Many thanks to all the parents/carers who managed to 'Meet the Teacher' to discuss how your child has settled into their new class and routines. If you have not managed to meet with the teacher yet, please make an appointment when we return for this vital home-school partnership.

When we return after the break, all eyes will be on the very busy run up to Christmas with lots of exciting things planned for this special time in a Primary School. More details will be sent out when we return for Christmas plays and concerts.

We wish everyone a safe, relaxing and happy half-term. We will see you all again on Monday 30th October.

Ms Warner and Mr Blunt

## Photo Day

Tempest Photography will be in school on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November for individual and sibling photos.

**All children are to come to school in FULL uniform please.**

If your child has PE, please wear trainers with full uniform. If your child has an after school PE club, they may bring kit to change into.

The hall will be open from 8:00-9:00 am for children with siblings outside of Sticklepath School to have a sibling photo taken.

Children in Nursery will have their individual photos on a separate date yet to be confirmed.

If you have any questions, please email [admin@sticklepath.org.uk](mailto:admin@sticklepath.org.uk) or ask at the office.

## School Opening Time

The children are invited onto site **from 8.35am**. A member of staff will come down to the gates at this point and welcome them in and they will then make their way to their classroom. Please do not come onto the school site before this time, as the school is preparing for the day ahead.

# Growth Mindset

Congratulations to all of our Growth Mindset Award Winners!

Erin Moran-Williams

Freya Slade

Harry Williams

Evie Jarvis

Seth Gurajena

Stanley Allen

Kyla-Mae Nicholls

Lily Farmer

Lenny Withers

Elsie O'Sullivan

Harrison Seymour

Beth Cranston

Freddie Hummerston

Georgia Connor

Teigan Benham



## Restart a Heart Day

We were very lucky this week to have a visit from Jacob from South West Ambulance Service as part of a national 'Restart a Heart Day'. Each of the KS2 classes got to spend time with Jacob learning when the emergency services are needed, what information they require and even got to practise some CPR techniques. The KS1 children had a big assembly learning about Ambulances and who there is to help when needed. We're extremely grateful to Jacob for giving us his time and for teaching us such valuable and important lessons.



## Year 3 Multi Skills Festival

Year 3 had an excellent morning at the multi skills event at Park School taking part in rugby, netball and football activities.



## Lunchtime Play Resources

Our fantastic mealtime assistants would like to ask if anyone has any toys or games they would like to donate to the school for lunchtime play, if so please bring to the school office. Thank you.

## This Week in Forest School...

This week we have been looking at leaves, we have read 'We're going on a leaf Hunt' by Steve Metzger and 'Why do leaves change colour?' by Betsy Maestro.

We have looked at the trees in the school to see which are deciduous and which are evergreen. We then enjoyed using the fallen leaves in a variety of ways such as folding to make a rose, making an autumn wreath, leaf rubbing and lots of leaf art.



## Secondary School Applications

Attention Year 6!

The deadline to apply for secondary school admissions is Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

The easiest way to apply is online by visiting [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline) If you can't apply online, you can also complete a hard copy application form which can be obtained by calling 0345 155 1019.

## Autumn Term Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Forest School		BPH AJA	AWE CDI	TRG SAB	DSM 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

## Guitar Lessons

Eirian Lewis will be offering guitar lessons at Sticklepath primary on Thursday mornings. Tailored to each child and a variety of styles taught. Many years' experience in teaching and offering support for graded exams.

Guitars are available at school should your child not have one yet.  
If you are interested, please speak to Mrs Ward or email admin.

## After School Clubs

Day	Club	Dates	Collection Time
Monday	Girls Football	<b>Years 5 &amp; 6:</b> 25/9, 9/10, 30/10, 13/11, 27/11	4:15
		<b>Year 4:</b> 2/10, 16/10, 6/11, 20/11,	
Tuesday	Year 2 Tennis	26/9, 3/10, 10/10, 17/10	4:00
Wednesday	Year 5 & 6 Hockey	27/9, 4/10, 11/10, 18/10, 1/11, 8/11, 15/11, 22/11, 29/11	4:15
Thursday	Year 3 & 4 Golf	<b>Group 1:</b> 28/9, 5/10, 12/10	4:15
		<b>Group 2:</b> 19/10, 2/11, 9/11	
		<b>Group 3:</b> 16/11, 23/11, 30/11	
Friday	Year 5/6 Netball	<b>Year 5:</b> 29/9, 13/10, 3/11, 17/11	4:15
		<b>Year 6:</b> 6/10, 20/10, 10/11, 24/11	

## Gymnastics Club

Mondays – KS1		Wednesdays – KS2	
16 <sup>th</sup> October	TRG & LLO	18 <sup>th</sup> October	BPH & AJA
30 <sup>th</sup> October	EFI & DSM	1 <sup>st</sup> November	BCL, SAB, RSO & DMO
6 <sup>th</sup> November	TRG & LLO	8 <sup>th</sup> November	AWE & CDI
13 <sup>th</sup> November	EFI & DSM	15 <sup>th</sup> November	BPH & AJA
20 <sup>th</sup> November	TRG & LLO	22 <sup>nd</sup> November	BCL, SAB, RSO & DMO
27 <sup>th</sup> November	EFI & DSM		

## Choir

### KS2 Choir

October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 30th

November 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th

Collection Time 4pm.

## Drama Club

Date	Year Group
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Year 5
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Year 6
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 5 and 6



# Menu from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## Monday

SM1: Westcountry sausages served with jacket wedges and baked beans or peas  
Vegetarian: Vegetarian sausages served with jacket wedges and baked beans or peas  
Pudding: Homemade wholemeal shortcake

## Trick or Treat Tuesday

SM1: Boiled witches brains in werewolf blood with Cousin It's intestines & blood curdling bread  
(Pork meatballs in homemade Mediterranean sauce with pasta spirals and homemade bread)

Vegetarian: Falafel balls in homemade Mediterranean sauce with pasta spirals and homemade bread

Pudding: Spooky Halloween biscuits

## Wednesday

SM1: Fresh roast chicken with crispy roast potatoes, carrots, suede and carrot mash and gravy

Vegetarian: Homemade cauliflower and broccoli bake with crispy roast potatoes and carrots or suede and carrot mash

Pudding: Vanilla ice cream

## Thursday

SM1: Chicago Town stuffed crust pepperoni pizza with herby, diced potatoes and sweetcorn

Vegetarian: Chicago Town stuffed crust Margherita pizza with herby, diced potatoes and sweetcorn

Pudding: Homemade date crispy crunch

## Friday

SM1: Breaded small fry alongside golden fries and mushy peas or seasonal vegetables

Vegetarian: Spicy bean burger alongside golden fries and mushy peas or seasonal vegetables

Pudding: Homemade chocolate cracknell

**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



Alba S-T

Lily B

Aref A

Lily D

Barney A

Parker R

Florence H

Isla W

Freddie Q

Lexi D

George M

Mihail D

Gracie O

Phoebe L

Katy W

Poppy-May N

Vogue-Jewel R

## Vacancies

### Current Vacancies:



**Position:** Cleaner

**Grade:** A2 - £10.60 per hour (pay award pending)

**Hours:** 10 hours per week (Mon to Fri, 3.30pm to 5.30pm) - 41 weeks per year (term time + non-pupil days + 2 weeks within the school holidays)

**Start date:** September 2023

We are looking to appoint a highly motivated Cleaner to join our hardworking and dedicated premises team. You will be required to undertake the cleaning of buildings within the school site comprising the main building, outside classrooms and nursery. The areas include toilets and outside areas to ensure a clean and safe learning environment.

Duties will include:

- Cleaning, washing, sweeping, dusting of classroom and emptying of bins
- Use of machinery in cleaning soft and hard surfaces, e.g. carpet cleaners, polishers & buffers

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 role requires an enhanced DBS disclosure.

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 email Ellen Mitchell on [emitchell@sticklepath.org.uk](mailto:emitchell@sticklepath.org.uk)



## Community News

**JUST PLAY SPORTS**

TUESDAY 24TH  
THURSDAY 26TH  
OCTOBER  
9:30AM-4:30PM

**KIDS HOLIDAY CLUB**  
FOR BOYS & GIRLS  
5-12 YEARS OLD

**ACTIVITIES:**

- Football
- Dodgeball
- Free Play
- Team Building Games
- NERF WARS
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Olympics
- Invasion Games
- Striking and Fielding Games

📍 Bideford College

📍 Orchard Vale School, BARNSTAPLE

Text 07853008133 to book

Scan QR code to book



**FIREBALL NORTH DEVON**  
Years 4-7 Volleyball Training

**SIGN UP:**

Come and try volleyball! Expert coaching as part of a friendly local club.

Braunton School, 5-6pm, Tuesdays

Join the club via the QR code or via the link below.

<https://group.spond.com/VOQZM>



**PARKOUR ACADEMY**  
**FREE TASTER SESSION**

SUNDAY 8 OCTOBER. 10AM - 4:30PM

BARNSTAPLE PANNIER MARKET

URBAN SPORTS CENTRE WILL BE RUNNING A DAY OF PARKOUR TASTER SESSIONS AND PARKOUR DEMOS FROM THEIR PARKOUR ACADEMY TEAM. EACH SESSION RUNS FOR 30 MINUTES AND IS FREE. BOOK YOUR SPACE NOW. SESSIONS ARE TAILORED FOR A RANGE OF AGES - 4-6 YEARS, 7-9 YEARS, 10-12 YEARS, 12+ AND ADULTS. ALL SESSIONS SUITABLE FOR ALL LEVELS.

sign up here!



COME & JOIN US...

**JUNIOR HANDBALL Sessions**

FUN GAMES & ACTIVITIES

At Park School Sports Centre  
Barnstaple  
EX32 9AX



Come & Try Handball!

**Bideford Blacks Handball Club**

Mondays  
Y2 to Y5: 5-6pm  
Y6 to Y8: 6-7pm

ENGLANDHANDBALL

[bidefordblacks@gmail.com](mailto:bidefordblacks@gmail.com)  
@Bideford Blacks Handball Club





#### October Dates

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>** - Morrison's Supermarket Café, Bideford from 10:30am.

Any questions please contact Natalie: **07966910527**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup>** - St John's Garden Centre Café, St John's Lane. (Next to Tesco)

Any questions please contact Bonnie: **07377625276**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>** - Lemon Tree Café, Holland Walk, Barnstaple from 10am

Any questions please contact Janice: **07869436621**

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>** - Online Specialist Education and EHCP support session.

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



## FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CLUB

### 23 - 27 OCTOBER

**9AM - 4PM**

### TARKA LEISURE CENTRE, BARNSTAPLE

⚽ **EARLY BIRD OFFER UNTIL 1 OCT £25 PER DAY / £110 FULL WEEK**  
 ⚽ **DAY PRICE THEREAFTER £30 PER DAY / £110 FULL WEEK**

⚽ **GIRLS & BOYS AGED 6 - 14 YEARS**  
 ⚽ **3G PITCH, TARKA LEISURE CENTRE**

⚽ **BRING A PACKED LUNCH, SNACK & PLENTY TO DRINK**

**MINI ROMAR'S CLUB**  
**9AM - MIDDAY**  
**FOR 4 - 6 YEAR OLDS**  
**£17.50**  
**FULL WEEK £75**

**BOOK ONLINE: [www.romarsports.com](http://www.romarsports.com)**

**Woolacombe Surf Lifesaving Club**  
 are offering a **taster session**  
 for **children** who are keen  
 to take up **Surf Lifesaving** ...



When: 30th September 2023  
 Where: Ilfracombe Swimming Pool  
 Times: 1:00pm - 2:00pm (children born 2017)

**Come and join the fun!**

For more information please email:  
**[wlsenquiries@gmail.com](mailto:wlsenquiries@gmail.com)**

[woolacombesurflifesavingclub.org](http://woolacombesurflifesavingclub.org)




## FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CLUB

### 24 - 26 OCTOBER

**9AM - 4PM**

### BIDEFORD COLLEGE, ASTROTURF PITCH

⚽ **EARLY BIRD OFFER - £25 PER DAY / £65 FULL WEEK - ends 1st October**  
 ⚽ **DAY PRICE THEREAFTER £30 PER DAY / £65 FULL WEEK**

⚽ **GIRLS & BOYS AGED 6 - 14 YEARS**

⚽ **BRING A PACKED LUNCH, SNACK & PLENTY TO DRINK, WATERPROOF CLOTHES AND/OR A CHANGE OF CLOTHES, WEATHER DEPENDANT**

**BOOK ONLINE: [www.romarsports.com](http://www.romarsports.com)**