

**‘Encourage One Another and Build Each Other Up’**

1 Thessalonians 5: 11

<b>Thankfulness</b>	<b>Compassion</b>	<b>Perseverance</b>	<b>Forgiveness</b>	<b>Courage</b>	<b>Friendship</b>
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**Newsletter – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

Dear Parents / Carers,

We had a fantastic time at Cheddar Gorge on Monday. All of the children behaved brilliantly and really engaged in all of the activities, listening attentively and asking very thoughtful questions. We were all particularly impressed with the Class 1 children who were taking part in their first 'Big Event' trip. Please check the school website for photos.



As well as visiting Cheddar Gorge, our year 2 children also had a trip over to the South Molton Community College on Thursday afternoon to take part in an Orienteering Festival, alongside other children from different local primary schools. The children took part in a range of activities giving them a taster of the sport of orienteering; all led by the year 9 sports leaders at the college. After some warm up exercises and some parachute games the pupils took part in a number of orienteering based games and activities, from learning how to punch control cards, navigation around cones and a small orienteering course on the Astro turf pitch. Despite the wind and a few showers all the pupils had a great time, getting the chance to put into practice the skills they had been learning in school with Mr Wiggans last week!



We will be holding our first parents' evenings of this academic year on Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th October. These meetings will provide us with an opportunity to let you know how we feel your child has settled into their New Year group and give you the opportunity to ask any questions that may have. A signup sheet will be available in the school office from Monday, so please pop in or phone Mrs Eastman in order to book your appointment. We would also like to invite parents and family to our Harvest Celebration Service at the church on Tuesday 15th October at 9.30am. Full details on this will follow in the coming weeks.

As always, please do feel free to get in touch if there is anything that you would like to discuss regarding school.

Best Wishes,  
Mr Holding

Your child will be bringing home a pack this evening containing the following:

- Curriculum Newsletter for your child's class
- Data Collection Form – Please check carefully, amend any details and return to the school office
- Nasal Flu Vaccination detail – please complete consent form on line
- Parental Consent and Pupil Information Booklet – Please complete and return back to School
- Pupil Premium guide – All successful Free School Meal application will receive a £20 book token (Autumn Term only – Ideally this weekend before our Census Day)

#### **Key Dates for the Summer Term 2019:**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Messy Church in the School Hall  
 Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Class 1 & 2 Phonics Meeting in Class 2 at 6pm  
 Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Reception Dance Festival SMCC  
 Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5/6 Football Tournament  
 Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening  
 Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening  
 Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Class 4 Stonehenge Visit (Details to follow)  
 Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November – Bags2school being collected  
 Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November – Year 3/4 Indoor Athletics Festival SMCC  
 Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November – Year 5/6 Bike Ability  
 Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Year 5/6 Indoor Athletics Festival SMCC  
 Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December - Influenza vaccinations

**These dates are intended as a guide and you will be notified of any changes.**

#### School Term Dates 2019 / 2020


<b>Autumn Term</b>	<b>Spring Term</b>	<b>Summer Term</b>
First Day 9th September 2019	First Day 6th January 2020	First Day 14th April 2020
Half-term 21st - 25th October 2019	Half-term 17th - 21st February 2020	Bank Holiday 8th May 2020
Last Day 20th December 2019	Last Day 27th March 2020	Half-term 25th - 29th May 2020
		Last Day 22nd July 2020

Non pupil days:


- 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th September 2019
- 14<sup>th</sup> April 2020
- 23rd July 2020

School Dinner Menu week commencing 30th September 2019

Week 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Sausage Rolls	Spaghetti Bolognaise	Roast Beef & Yorkshire Pudding	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Salmon or Cod Fish Cakes
Vegetarian	Vegetable Bite	Quorn Bolognaise	Cauliflower Cheese	Cheesy Pasta with Leeks	Cauliflower Cheese
Sides	Mash Potatoes & Seasonal Veg	Crusty Bread, Peas & Carrots	Roast Potatoes, Mash Potatoes, Seasonal Veg & Gravy	Potato Wedges, Beans & Vegetables	Golden Fries, pasta & Seasonal Veg
Dessert	Fruit & Yogurt	Fruit Smoothie	Fruit Platter	Pineapple upside down cake & Custard	Cornflake Crunchie



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Consent form please access:

<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2019/devon>



**Music Tuition**

We currently have space availability for Instrumental Music Lessons in school with Mr Rogozinski, if your child has shown an interest in beginning lessons; please speak to Kelly in the office.



**Celebration Assembly  
Well Done  
For receiving a  
Certificate of Achievement**



<b>Work</b>	
Class 1 – Lily-Sue & Joshua for fantastic independence at Lunch time Class 2 – Zack & Sophia for their Summer memories books Class 3 – Penny for excellent effort since joining year 4 Class 4 – CourtneyA for a clear and concise explanation of impossible greater than/lesser than problem	
<b>Extra</b>	
Ellie – Reading Library Challenge	
<b>Code Club Superstar</b>	
Ellie	
<b>Pre-School Reaching 10 on the Wow Caterpillar</b>	
Jack & Noah	
<b>Discovery 35</b>	<b>Endeavour 35</b>
<b>Enterprise 26</b>	<b>Voyager 34</b>

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After school club for pre-school and up to the  
end of Year 2

Wednesday 2nd of October 2019  
3.30 - 4.45 pm  
in the school hall

Parents and Carers are welcome to join us  
and take part.

We will be offering some craft and activities  
based around a Bible story  
and a short celebration.

If you are not on the list and would like to  
attend - Please let Mrs. Eastman know by  
the 25th of September so that we have  
enough snacks and crafts available.

Thank you, Sue and Adrian Wells



**Community News**



**FIREWORK DISPLAY**  
**With Disco**  
**AT THE SPORTS CLUB WITHERIDGE**  
**In aid of Make a Wish Foundation**


Family disco starts at 7pm - Firework display starts 8pm followed by disco.  
Fancy dress optional.  
Burger van on site - Hot/Cold Drinks.

**FRIDAY**  
**1st**  
**November**

Guy Fawkes Competition - bring your Guys to the club on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 7-9pm to be entered also buy a ticket on the night for prize of switching on the fireworks

£3.50 Child (5-16yr), £5 Adult (16+yr), Under 5's FREE,  
Family ticket 2 Adults & 3 Children £20.00

Message from the Sports Club  
There will be a private disco from 5-7pm for toddlers, preschool and primary school aged children  
£3.50 per child to include a hot dog, squash & cake.  
Club will open at 7pm for the general public.  
This year we are raising money for Make A Wish charity (same as the fun day).



Witheridge Brownies and Guides Meet here at Witheridge School From 6.30pm until 8.00pm On a Tuesday night, During the term time.

Brownies are for girls aged 7 – 10 and Guides are for girls aged 10 – 15

We would welcome a few more girls to attend our group at Witheridge, If your daughter is interested in joining Brownies or Girl Guides please contact - Carole Chapple on 01884 855329 - or you can register on the Girl guiding website

Table tennis, pool, table football, games, art and craft, cooking café/tuck shop

**Witheridge Youth Club**

For anyone in year 6 or above  
7-8.30pm £1  
Church Rooms  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday each month.

For more info see Andrea at the newsagents or our facebook page.

September 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>  
October 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>  
November 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>  
December 12<sup>th</sup>

Supported by our local Churches. Joint events with other youth clubs  
...fireworks, camp & more