



‘Encourage One Another and Build Each Other Up’

1 Thessalonians 5: 11

Thankfulness	Compassion	Perseverance	Forgiveness	Courage	Friendship
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Newsletter – Friday 26th June 2020

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

I hope you have been able to enjoy the gorgeous weather we have been experiencing over the last few days!

In school, we have had another busy week completing the learning jobs, and the children have loved spending time outside. Thank you to all the people who have sent home learning in to us at school. As always, you can send us your home learning via the class email addresses below. If you have a more general concern or question, it is best to contact the school via phone or to email the admin address (admin@witheridge.devon.sch.uk).

As you will be aware from my previous email - we will now have 4 bubbles in school. Key worker and vulnerable children in Years 2, 3 and 4 will be located in Class 3. I have included photos in this newsletter so you can get an idea of the classroom layout. Currently, due to the Government guidance on class sizes we are unable to accommodate children (other than key worker and vulnerable children) from Years 2, 3, 4 and 5. I will update you in due course should this change.

If your child is in Preschool, Reception, Year 1 or Year 6 and you intend to send them back to school before the end of the summer term, please inform us by Monday 29th June.

Best wishes,
Miss Ratcliffe

Free School Meals

You may already be aware that the government announced last week that the Free School Meal supermarket vouchers will continue to be awarded to eligible children during the summer holidays. These vouchers are £15 per week per eligible child, and parents can choose from a range of supermarkets. We are aware that some parents may be facing a change in financial circumstances due to Covid-19. Devon County Council are still processing applications for free school meals – please visit <https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals> to see if your child would be eligible.



We are really looking forward to our next Zoom chats with you all!

Class 2 – Tuesday 2.30pm
Class 3 – Thursday 2.30pm
Class 4 – Wednesday 3pm

Preschool – Jayne and Lisa are going to chat to you individually or in small groups on Zoom this week, so they will be in touch to organise those.

Remember we have our special class email addresses!
We are missing you all lots and it really cheers us up when we get to see
all your home learning, pictures and videos.
Please keep sending them to us at these addresses:

- Preschool (Jayne) preschool@witheridge.devon.sch.uk
- Class 1 (Mrs North) class1@witheridge.devon.sch.uk
- Class 2 (Miss Ratcliffe) class2@witheridge.devon.sch.uk
- Class 3 (Mr Manning) class3@witheridge.devon.sch.uk
- Class 4 (Mrs Nott) class4@witheridge.devon.sch.uk

As promised, please see the attached photos of Bubble 3 which will be running from Monday. This Bubble is for key worker and vulnerable children in years 2, 3 and 4. The other Bubbles have stayed the same. If applicable, I recommend you share these photos with your children to prepare them for school on Monday.



Instrumental Lessons

Although Mr Rogo has not been able to continue his instrumental lessons in school, he has been holding online virtual lessons in piano and guitar during lockdown. Mr Rogo does still have some spaces free – if you are interested in these lessons for your child, please contact Alex on 07565951786 or alexrogo@hotmail.co.uk.

School Dinner Menu week commencing 29th June 2020

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Sweet & Sour Chicken	Beef Burger in a bun	Roast Chicken and stuffing	Spaghetti Bolognaise	Fish Cakes
Sides	Rice & Vegetables	Wedges, Beans or Vegetables	Roast Potatoes, Mash Potatoes, Seasonal Veg & Gravy	Seasonal Vegetables & Garlic Bread	Golden Fries or pasta, Seasonal Vegetables or Baked Beans

Community News

Online courses for parents & parents-to-be

FREE for parents, grandparents and carers living in Cornwall, the Isles of Scilly, Devon, Plymouth and Torbay.

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Lifetime access



NHS

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Apply the 'Access' code for FREE access!
Fill in some details to create an account
To return to the course(s) go to www.inourplace.co.uk and sign in!

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Government Guidance for Parents/Carers

The guidance for parents and carers of children returning to school from the 1st June has been updated, you can read the update here - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/reopening-schools-and-other-educational-settings-from-1-june>

Testing for under 5s

The government has also expanded testing to include children under 5, which it said would 'help support the phased opening of schools and childcare settings in England from 1 June'.

From Thursday, all symptomatic adults or children in England will be able to access a test if they need one. In Wales, this will be the case from Saturday. Testing will still be arranged online or by calling 119.



The image is a promotional poster for NHS Test and Trace. On the left, a young woman with long dark hair is looking down at her smartphone. The top left corner features the HM Government logo. The right side of the poster has a blue background with the NHS logo and the text 'Test and Trace'. Below this, the main message 'CORONAVIRUS SELF-ISOLATE WHEN ALERTED' is written in large, bold, yellow and white letters. Underneath, smaller text reads: 'If you're told you have been exposed to an infected person you must self-isolate for 14 days. PLAY YOUR PART. PROTECT YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY. nhs.uk/coronavirus or call 119'. At the bottom, a yellow banner with black and green diagonal stripes contains the slogan 'STAY ALERT > CONTROL THE VIRUS > SAVE LIVES'.

Devon Family Advice Line



Exeter Community Initiatives has launched a new phone advice line for parents and carers across Devon from Monday 1 June. The number for the new service is 01392 949059 and it will be manned from 10 – 2pm Monday to Friday. People will be able to leave a message outside of these hours, or when the operators are all busy.

It will offer advice on a specific issue around their children and their family relationships, including any communication issues or conflict they are having with their partners or co-parents of their children. It is not meant to be a replacement for more targeted work, but just a way to offer people a place to be heard and a few tips on how to deal with a particular situation or to signpost them to an organisation which may be able to help them.