



**‘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 18<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of our second week back at school – the time is flying by now! All the children are very settled into their new classrooms, routines and ways of working.

This week, all the children received their brand new merit cards! For our new parents, merits are given to the children when they complete good learning, kind or helpful behaviour and when they demonstrate our school Christian values. This half term our value is Thankfulness. We will be thinking about how we show gratitude in our Class Collective Worships. Our 6 Christian values help us to make good choices in our learning and our behaviour; they can be seen at the top of this newsletter. Our current value is always highlighted in yellow.

As you will have seen from an email that went out this week, all classes will be continuing with their PE lessons from now on. Class 1 PE will be on Friday afternoon. Just a reminder, children will wear their PE kits home after PE to ensure there is an opportunity to wash them before the next lesson.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.  
 All the best,  
 Miss Ratcliffe

**Flu Vaccination**

Your child is due to be in Reception to Year 6 from September 2020 and they are therefore eligible for a Free Nasal Childhood Flu Vaccination.

It is anticipated that this will be delivered in schools between October 2020 to December 2020; this will be administered adhering to all up to date Infection Control, PPE and social distancing guidance at the time.

Flu vaccination is one of the most effective interventions we have to reduce pressure on the health and social care system which is going to be more important than ever this year. For this reason, it is essential we deliver the vaccine to as many children as possible to prevent the spread of infection to those most at risk in society.

In light of the above we are expecting demand to be high and therefore we urge you to follow the below link to consent to your child’s vaccination now. Even if you do not want your child to receive this vaccination, please complete the consent form stating “no” consent. You will also find answers to your FAQ’s on this link.

<https://schoolimms.virginicare.co.uk/flu/2020/devon>

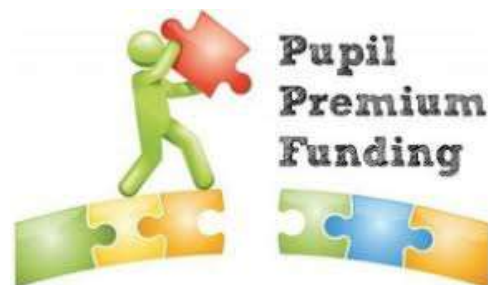
If you have any difficulties with completing the consent form please contact the Immunisation Team on our Single Point of Access (SPA).

Tel: 0300 247 0082 Email: [ycl.immunisations@nhs.net](mailto:ycl.immunisations@nhs.net)



## Pupil Premium

Introduced in 2011, the pupil premium is a sum of money given to schools each year by the Government to improve the attainment of disadvantaged children. This is based on research showing that children from low income families perform less well than their peers. The pupil premium is intended to directly benefit the children who are eligible, helping to narrow the gap between them and their classmates.



Ways in which we spend our fund include:

- Extra one to one and small group support
- Employment of extra teaching assistants
- Catch up sessions for children needing extra help
- Breakfast and After School club support
- Funding educational trips (50% funded)
- Music lessons for children who cannot afford to pay for them (50% funded)
- Paying for additional help such as speech and language support
- Investing in resources that boost learning such as laptops and tablets
- Free school meals



Please take advantage of this if you think you are eligible. All you need to do is visit this website [www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals](http://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals) and fill out a quick form through the Devon Citizens Portal to see if your child could be in receipt of Pupil Premium funding. We are currently offering a **£10 book token** incentive to every successful applicant. Alternatively speak to Kelly if you have any questions

### School Dinner Menu week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Bacon & Leek Pie	Beef Burger in a bap	Roast Pork & Apple Sauce	BBQ Chicken	Fish in Breadcrumbs
Vegetarian	Tomato & Cheese Pizza	Veggie Burger in a bap	Vegetarian Roast	Broccoli & Cheese Bake	Cheese Omelette
Sides	Creamed Potatoes or pasta & Baked Beans	Potato wedges, baked beans & sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes, Mash Potatoes, Seasonal Veg & Gravy	Pasta, Salad & Coleslaw	Golden Fries, & Seasonal Veg
Dessert	Fruit & Yogurt	Angel Delight with fruit	Fruit Platter	Apple Crumble	Flap Jack



## School Term Dates 2020 / 2021

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
First Day 7th September 2020	First Day 5th January 2021	First Day 20th April 2021
Half-term 26th - 30th October 2020	Half-term 15th - 19th February 2021	Bank Holiday 3rd May 2021
Last Day 18th December 2020	Last Day 1st April 2021	Half-term 31st May - 4th June 2021
		Last Day 22nd July 2021

### Non pupil days:

3rd & 4th September 2020  
 4th January 2021  
 19th April 2021  
 23rd July 2021

### Pre-School Parents

#### Applications and reconfirmation 30-hour Funding with HMRC



Witheridge Pre-School  
 @The Hive

We have been advised by DfE that if a parent faces a reduced income due to coronavirus, they will be treated as meeting the minimum income threshold for 30 hours until 31st October and should therefore be able to reconfirm their 30 hour code.

If a parent has been made redundant whilst they are in receipt of the 30 hours entitlement, they will be able to claim 30 hours until their next reconfirmation date (parents need to reconfirm eligibility every 3 months). After this reconfirmation date, they will enter a grace period during which they can still access 30 hours. If at any point they regain employment which takes them above the minimum threshold, they will be able to reconfirm and continue their 30 hours without a break.

With regards to the length of the grace period, parents who fail to reconfirm their eligibility in the first half of a term are able to retain their childcare place until the end of that term (31st December); parents who fail to reconfirm in the second half of a term are able to retain their childcare place until the end of the following term (31st March).

We would strongly encourage those who become eligible in autumn to apply in good time, ahead of the 31st December deadline so they have 30 hours code confirmed and ready to access hours in the spring term (from 1st January 2021).

### Parental Consent & Pupil Information Booklets

Each child has been sent home with a paper booklet for you to complete and return to the school office by Tuesday please.

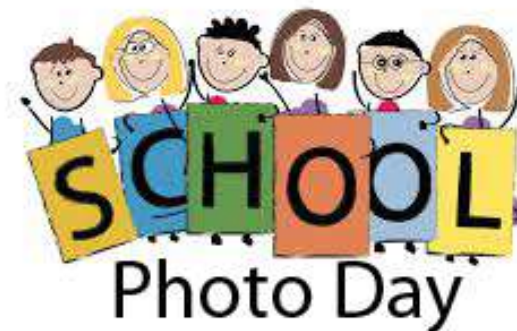
Permissions must be completed every year!



## **Tempest Photography**

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September, H Tempest Ltd photography will be visiting to take individual school photographs of the pupils.

Under Data Protection guidelines, GDPR, parental consent is required for a child's image to be taken by an external provider. The image will be owned by H Tempest Ltd and retained on their records indefinitely. For more information on how H Tempest Ltd operate under GDPR please visit <https://www.tempest-photography.co.uk/gdpr>



Please understand that giving permission for your child to be photographed does not mean you should feel obliged to purchase a photograph. Unless consent is received via ParentPay we will be unable to allow your child to have their photograph taken.

Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the School Office.

## **Community News**

### **Chulmleigh College Virtual Q & A with Senior Leadership Team**

Prospective parents are invited to join our Executive Headteacher Mike Johnson, Deputy Executive Headteacher Neil Payne, SENDCO Laura Mackie and Academy Business Manager Tina Harrison, for a live Q&A.

Our senior team will be available to answer any questions: including our 'out of catchment' transport service available from Barnstaple, Torrington, Rackenford and Crediton areas; SEN provision; our curriculum and transition to the College from Year 6.

Booking is essential, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/CCQA2020> to book a place, we will then email the Zoom link as confirmation of your place.