



Newsletter

19th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had a fantastic start to the new academic year, and it has been a real joy to see how well the children have settled into their new classes.

At Pilton Bluecoat, we are extremely focussed on meeting the needs of every child—both in class and across all areas of school life. We recently welcomed a SEND review of our Support Plans, and it was a pleasure to share how well these are being enacted. It was noticeable how positively children are engaging with the support in place and the difference it is making. Thank you to all the families who continue to work closely with us; your input is so valued.

As we look ahead, we are mindful that the summer holidays can be unstructured for many children, with fewer routines and expectations. Some pupils may have found the transition back into school more challenging as a result. Gentle preparation at home—through positive conversations, re-establishing routines and reinforcing expectations—can make a real difference. For those children who need it, we have introduced our new 'Soft Start' to the day, allowing pupils time to settle into school calmly through their shared area before the formal learning begins.

Building Brighter Futures in Action

Our Friday Sports enrichment programme is now up and running and proving to be a wonderful addition to the curriculum. Children are enjoying new opportunities to build skills, resilience and confidence.

We're also thrilled to share that over 50 children have visited Newton Abbot Racecourse today. This was a fantastic experience where pupils learned about horse care, diet, anatomy and race preparation. To top it all off, they were able to watch a real race in action—a truly memorable and educational day for all involved.

Attendance Matters

A huge thank you to all families who ensure their children attend school regularly and on time. Every day matters, and good attendance is directly linked to children's progress, achievement and well-being. When children miss school, they miss vital learning, friendships and routines that support their success.

If you are experiencing any difficulties with attendance or punctuality, please speak with us—we are here to help. Let's continue working together to make every school day count.

Warmest Wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mathew Harts', written on a light-colored background.

Mathew Harts, Head of School

WHAT'S ON?

**WEEK COMMENCING
22ND SEPTEMBER 2025**

Wednesday

**Cross Country Event at
Pilton Community College**

Meet the Teacher

Friday

Lower School Sports

LETTERS SENT

Year	Topic
Year 5	Residential



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2025 - 2026

SCHOOL TERM DATES

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
First Day: 4th Sept 2025	First Day: 6th January 2026	First Day: 20th April 2026
Half-term: 27th Oct – 31st Oct 2025	Half-term: 16th Feb – 20th Feb 2026	Bank Holiday: 4th May Half Term: 25th May -29th May 2026
Last Day: 19th December 2025	Last Day: 2nd April 2026	Last Day: 21st July 2026

Non pupil days

2nd & 3rd September 2025

5th January 2026

1st June 2026

22nd July 2026



CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Handwriting Heroes

4AB - Chloe, **5MH** - Parker, **6MT** - Brylee

Reading Champions

3KD - Edward, **5MR** - Nandu

Work

3KD - Amiya and Adil - Amazing learning behaviours

4AB - Mya and Imogen - for an amazing first two weeks showing excellent attitudes to learn and settling into Bluecoat

5MR - Emilie - amazing behaviours for learning and excellent effort in maths

5MH - Henry - for amazing participation in our science lesson this week

6MT - Bella - excellent 'dive deeper' responses in her maths learning

HOUSE POINTS TOTAL

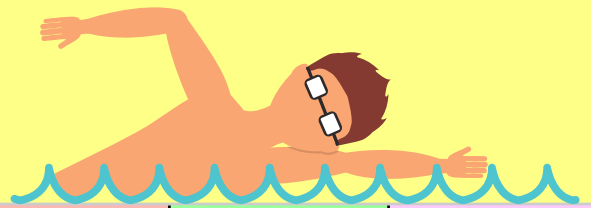
Saturn = 181 **Neptune = 208**

Jupiter = 198 **Mercury = 222**

FRIDAY SPORTS

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PE DAYS



Friday's Date	Who	Swim	Dance	TBC	Football
26 Sept 2025	LOWER	4BC	4AB	3KD	3JH
3 Oct 2025	UPPER	5MH	6MT	5MR	6SE
10 Oct 2025	LOWER	4BC	4AB	3KD	3JH
17 Oct 2025	UPPER	5MH	6MT	5MR	6SE
24 Oct 2025	LOWER	4BC	4AB	3KD	3JH
31 Oct 2025	HALF - TERM				

PE Days	
Year 3	Wednesday
Year 4	Thursday
Year 5	Monday
Year 6	Tuesday



Meet the Teacher



Wednesday 24th September



An informal opportunity to look around your child's learning environment, meet the teacher, and get a feel for the routines and expectations in place.

Our classrooms will be open between 3.20pm and 3.50pm.



We hope you'll be able to join us.



AUTUMN TERM

DINNER MENU

	Week 1: 01/09, 22/09, 13/10, 10/11, 01/12
Monday	Sausage Breakfast V –Vegetarian Breakfast Potato Waffles, Beans, Peas, Tomatoes & Mushrooms Fruit and Yoghurt
Tuesday	Beef Pasta Bolognese V – Mac and Cheese Garlic Bread & Salad Sticks Fruit Jelly
Wednesday	Roast of the Day - Turkey V – Quorn Fillet Roast Potatoes and Seasonal Veg Doughnut and fruit slices
Thursday	Hunters Chicken V – Hunters Quorn Rice and Sweetcorn Chocolate Sponge and Chocolate Custard
Friday	Cod or Salmon Fingers V – Cheese and Bean Wrap Golden Fries and Seasonal Vegetables Flapjack

TEAM Vacancies



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<https://www.teamacademytrust.com/vacancies> or <https://mynewterm.com>

We currently have 3 vacancies available at Team Multi-Academy Trust:

Cleaner at Pilton Bluecoat Church of England Academy.

Cleaner at Pilton Infants' Academy.



Cover Supervisor at Pilton Bluecoat Church of England Academy.

Secondary School Open Evenings



It is that time of year when our new to Year 6 parents will start thinking about their child's Secondary school place. Applications need to be made via your personal Devon County Council portal.

We are asked by some schools to advertise their open evenings and days as shown below; but please note that there are other Secondary Schools in the area who will also have their own events, please check out individual websites and schools to make an informed choice.

Park School

18th September (Years 5 & 6) - 5:30pm - 8:30pm
22nd - 24th September (Year 6 Only) - 9am - 10am

Pilton Community College

22nd September - 6pm - 7pm
24th-26th September - 9:30am








Chumleigh College

25th September - 4:30pm - 7pm
30th September - 11:15am - 1pm
2nd October - 11.15am - 1pm



Instrument Lessons

- At Pilton Bluecoat Academy we have six peripatetic music teachers who offer private instrument lessons; either one to one or in small groups
- Teachers come into school once a week during term time and lessons are during the school day
- Please contact the teacher directly for the cost of lessons and availability
- If your child is interested in learning but doesn't have an instrument, the teacher may have an instrument that they can borrow or hire – please ask
- If your child receives pupil premium funding, you are entitled to a 50% reduction in the cost of lessons. Please let the instrument teacher know this when you are arranging lessons so that you are charged the correct amount

<p>Keyboard/Piano Lessons will be taught on a keyboard or piano depending on availability.</p>		<p>Rebecca Barrow 07828 601778 rebeccabarrowmusician@gmail.com</p>	<p>Monday or Wednesday</p>
<p>Voice/Singing Individual or small group lessons available</p>		<p>Rhiannon Wright rhiwright92@gmail.com</p>	<p>Tuesday afternoon</p>
<p>Violin</p>		<p>Rebecca Barrow 07828 601778 rebeccabarrowmusician@gmail.com</p>	<p>Wednesday</p>
<p>Guitar, Ukulele or Bass Guitar Taught individually or in groups.</p>		<p>Ben Sharpe b.sharpe1988@gmail.com</p>	<p>Monday Afternoon</p>
<p>Rock Band Keyboard, electric guitar, drums, voice. Taught in groups. ALL INSTRUMENTS ARE PROVIDED BY STUART</p>		<p>Stuart Snelling- Rocksteady https://www.rocksteadymusic.school.com/primary/ 0330 113 0330</p>	<p>Thursday Morning</p>
<p>Drums Lessons will be taught on an electric drum kit in school.</p>		<p>Marin Bradshaw 07974 849303 imsnorthdevon@gmail.com</p>	<p>Thursday</p>
<p>Flute, Clarinet or Saxophone</p>		<p>Susan Northrop 07890 022264 Susan.e.northrop@googlemail.com</p>	<p>Friday Morning</p>



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ABC

ADULTS BABIES CHILDREN

chat, friendship, support, play, songs,
craft, bible stories, coffee and cake

Thursdays 10.00 - 11.30

In
Pilton Church Hall
83 Pilton Street

only £2 per family

Term time only

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MONDAY 27th-
FRIDAY 31st
OCTOBER

**OCTOBER
HALF TERM
ACTIVITY
DAYS**

8.30-3.30

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Prizes:



£5 Voucher



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Entry Voucher



Entry Voucher



The Entertainer
TheToyShop.com

£15 Voucher

and more!!

£1 a strip

Tickets available from Harry C
of 5MH or Leanne
Held on 13th October

NORTH DEVON CROSS COUNTRY LEAGUE

Six Races throughout the Winter 2025 - 2026

Sunday 5th October: Kingsley School Bideford
Sunday 2nd November: Shebbear College
Sunday 30th November: West Buckland School
Sunday 11th January: Northam Burrows, Westward Ho!
Sunday 1st February: Kingsley School Bideford
Sunday 1st March: West Buckland School

Races for School Years 2 to 12 and Adults
First races usually at 10am

FULL DETAILS AND TO ENTER ON LINE GO TO:
www.northdevonxcleague.weebly.com



ENTRIES INVITED FROM SCHOOLS, RUNNING CLUBS, BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS

THE LEAGUE IS OPEN TO NORTH DEVON COMMUNITY IRRESPECTIVE OF ABILITY OR EXPERIENCE

RACES FOR UNDER 9's THROUGH TO SENIORS

