



## Newsletter – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Dear Parents,

We have had a really positive half term with our “What a Load of rubbish” topic. Children have really enjoyed the links in their work across the subjects.

Next term will be important for our school, when we will find out the future direction and if Witheridge and High Bickington will be joining TEAM Trust as academies.

Finally, we are looking forward to a visit from our new Head of School today. Chris Holding will be meeting the children, spending time with me and will be saying hello to parents after school. A reminder that Mr Holding will be taking up his post after the half term break. As Executive Head, I will remain a presence in the school and will be supporting Mr Holding in his new role. At the same time we will be saying goodbye to Mr Turner who will be taking up a post at Pilton Bluecoat after half term – we all wish him well in his new role.

Best wishes

Paul Mulligan

### Vacancy

We are seeking a Meal Time Assistant, 3 days a week (Monday, Tuesday and Friday) starting from the 1<sup>st</sup> March. If you are interested in this role please ask in the school office for more information and an application form.

### Slumber Party

On Tuesday, in Class 3 we had a slumber party as a treat for getting all the glass beads in the jar. We had hot chocolate and popcorn, it was very yummy☺. A BIG thank you Bobby for the hot chocolate!



### After School Activity Clubs

A reminder to parents that they must book their child/children into After School Club in order to secure a place. After School cannot guarantee there will be adequate spaces available if given to short notice. If you require your child/children to attend After School Club please contact **01884 861784**.

### Class 2 Swimming

Class 2 will start swimming session on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February. Please look out for a letter containing more information Coming home this week.

### TEAM Consultation

Please find attached to this newsletter a summary of the questions and responses asked at the two recent parent consultation meetings. In order to keep the document to a reasonable length, some questions have been omitted (duplicates and questions not directly related to the academisation process). If you would like a copy of the full document, please contact the clerk to the governors (clerk@high-bickington-primary.devon.sch.uk).

**Celebration Assembly**

The following children received congratulations this week.

**Work**

Class1 – Acacia for her writing especially on her litterbug.

Class 2 – Cooper for working so hard on his writing this week.

Class 3 – Matthew for his fantastic effort in maths.

Class 4 – Jasmine for her outstanding work in maths this week.

Class4 – Poppy for an excellent argument in our class debate.

**Contribution**

Daniel and Jack T for being really helpful and sorting out the P.E shed at lunchtime.

**20 Merit Points**

Rose

**40 Merit Points**

Elsie

Spring Term Clubs: 20 <sup>th</sup> February			
Day	Club	Time	Adult in charge
Monday			
Tuesday	Choir Club – KS2 and Y2	3:30 – 4:30pm	Miss Ratcliffe
Wednesday			
Thursday	Art Club – KS2 Story Club Live – KS1	3:30 – 4:30 pm 3:30 – 4:30 pm	Miss Suchacki Miss Partridge

**Dates for Spring Term**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February – PTFA meeting at the Fire Station 8-9pm.

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Class 2 swimming.

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March – PTFA Ferret racing.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Class 3 and 4 Swimming.

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June – PTFA Bingo night at the Parish Hall.

**School Dinner Menu week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

Week Two	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Main</b>	<b>Turkey in a Cream Sauce</b>	<b><i>Mixed Grill</i> Bacon, Sausage, Diced Potatoes, Baked Beans</b>	<b>Roast Chicken &amp; Stuffing</b>	<b>Cottage Pie with Sweet Potato Topping</b>	<b>Fish Fingers</b>
<b>Vegetarian</b>	<b>Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Tomato Sauce</b>	<b>Vegetarian Chilli &amp; Rice</b>	<b>Quorn Roast</b>	<b>Cheese Pasta Bake</b>	<b>*Vegetarian Wrap</b>
<b>Sides</b>	<b>Pasta, with Broccoli &amp; Carrots</b>	<b>Peas &amp; Tomato</b>	<b>Roast or Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Carrots &amp; Gravy</b>	<b>Crusty Bread &amp; Farmhouse Vegetables</b>	<b>Chipped Potatoes or Pasta, Seasonal Veg. Tomato Sauce</b>
<b>Dessert</b>	<b>Handmade Madeleine Sponge &amp; Pink Custard</b>	<b>Lemon or Raspberry Mousse Slice</b>	<b>*Handmade Autumn Fruit Crumble &amp; Custard</b>	<b>*Fresh Fruit Platter</b>	<b>Handmade Chocolate Cracknel</b>