



**Witheridge Church of England Primary School**

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**Newsletter – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

Dear Parents

It was encouraging to see many of you at our meeting yesterday evening. The discussions were very wide ranging and looked at a number of aspects relating to the joining together of Witheridge with TEAM Academy Trust. Further discussions will be taking place during the next month, and a final decision will be made during March. Within the process, the key permission for the school community to proceed will be in the hands of the Regional Schools Commissioner, who will assess the initial enquiry and decide if it can proceed.

On another important note, parents who attended the meeting had the opportunity to meet Chris Holding, who will be joining our staff after half term. He will be taking over from Mr Turner, who is taking up a post at Pilton Bluecoat in Barnstaple. Mr Holding joins us from his senior teaching post in Exeter and will become our Head of School. He has a very broad range of experience and has a particular focus of working with older primary aged children. At home, he is a family man with two young children and enjoys playing football! He will be visiting school to meet with you before half term. I will inform you of the date when it is confirmed.

My role will remain the same and I will continue to be a presence in the school and available to children, staff and parents.

Best wishes

Paul Mulligan

**Congratulations**

Well done to Mrs Waters who has over the last 6 months under-take training and is now qualified as an Autism Lead Practitioner.

**Active Kids 2017**

Sainsbury's have launched this year's Active Kids voucher scheme. A voucher collection point has been set up in the School Office.

**REMINDER**

We had a few things go missing just before we broke up for Christmas, including a pair of trousers named Blake E and a whole P.E kit named Felix P. Could everyone have a look at home in case any items were picked up by mistake. Thank You

**REMINDER**

Could we please ensure that if your child brings in a water bottle that it only contains water, not squash or juice.

**Celebration Assembly**

**The following children received congratulations this week:**

**Work**

Class1 – Tiffany for her writing on the big outside whiteboard.

Class 2 – Neave for working extremely hard in class and settling in to Witheridge School.

Class 3 – Cameron for his hard work and effort in Maths this week.

Class 4 – Ashley for a fantastic week in Maths working on multiplication problems.

**Contribution**

Class 4 – Felix for his thoughtful and valuable contributions during visitor's assembly.

**20 Merit Points**

Sky Isabel Rebecca Connie Finley Kirsty

**40 Merit Points**

Seth Grace

**60 Merit Points**

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**Next Week W/B: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Choir Club	Football Club	Story Club Live Art Club	

**Spring Term Clubs: Week Commencing Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January**

Day	Club	Time	Adult in charge
Monday	Cooking Club – KS2	3.30 – 5.00pm	Mrs Waters Miss Saunders
Tuesday	Choir Club – KS2 and year 2	3:30 – 4:30pm	Miss Ratcliffe
Wednesday	Football Club – KS2	3:30 – 4:30pm	Mr Turner
Thursday	Homework Club – KS2 Story Club Live – KS1 Art Club – KS2	Lunchtime 3:30 – 4:30pm 3:30 – 4:30pm	Mr Turner – Mrs Ratcliffe Miss Partridge Miss Suchacki

**Dates For Spring Term:**

Tuesday 7th February – Oral health survey for five year olds at 09:15am  
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March – PTFA Ferret racing

**Bumper Quiz**  
 TIME  
 2nd Feb 6-7.30pm  
 PLACE  
 Tiverton Library  
 £1 entry per person -  
 teams of up to 6 people  
 Call: 01884 244644.  
 Muggles of all ages welcome.  
 Come in fancy dress!

SHARE THE MAGIC  
 #HarryPotterBookNight  
 harrypotterbooknight.com  
 BLOOMSBURY

**SATURDAY SCIENCE CLUB**  
**FORENSIC SCIENCE WORKSHOP**  
 CASE #34 THE TIVERTON TELL-TALE THIEF

**Saturday 4th Feb at Tiverton Library**

**SOLVE CLUES**  
**CHEMICAL ANALYSIS**  
**HAIR & FIBRE MICROSCOPY**  
**IDENTIFY BLOOD GROUPS**  
**EXAMINE FINGERPRINTS**

£15 for 2 hours of awesome practical science (includes refreshments)

Choose either am or pm session: 10am-12pm or 1pm-3pm  
 Go to <http://sciencedipity.co.uk/saturday-science-club/> to book  
 Or contact [sciencedipity@outlook.com](mailto:sciencedipity@outlook.com)  
 or **07847006048** for more info.

**School Dinner Menu week commencing 30<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Main</b>	<b>Oven Baked Sausages with Baked Potato Wedges</b>	<b>Braised Beef in Onion Gravy</b>	<b>Roast Gammon &amp; Pineapple</b>	<b>Tomato &amp; Herb Pasta with Crusty Bread</b>	<b>Salmon Crispy Fingers</b>
<b>Vegetarian</b>	<b>Quorn Korma with Rice &amp; Naan Bread</b>	<b>Handmade Cheese Wheel with Tomato Relish</b>	<b>Handmade Homity Pie</b>	<b>Homemade Lentil Roast with Oven Baked Potato Wedges</b>	<b>Vegetarian Burger in a Seeded Bap</b>
<b>Sides</b>	<b>Baked Beans or Green Beans</b>	<b>Creamed Potatoes, Cabbage &amp; Sweetcorn</b>	<b>Roast or Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Green Beans &amp; Gravy</b>	<b>Broccoli &amp; Peas</b>	<b>Chipped Potatoes or Pasta, Seasonal Veg. Tomato Sauce</b>
<b>Dessert</b>	<b>*Sticky Chocolate Slice with Chocolate Sauce</b>	<b>*Fruit Platter</b>	<b>Fruit Smoothie</b>	<b>*Eve's Pudding with Custard</b>	<b>*Handmade Fruity Flapjack</b>

