

WHAT'S ON AT WIDEWELL

Widewell Primary Academy Newsletter

Website: widewellprimary.eschools.co.uk

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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you had a very enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

I would like to welcome Miss Lisa Tunney who has joined our team this term as a Teaching Assistant in Y3, after Mrs Martin's retirement at the end of term. I know Miss Tunney has been looking forward to meeting the class and I am sure they will all make her feel very welcome.

In order to continue to improve our communication with you can I please urge you to add the dates from the blue column on the right of this page to your diaries, if you haven't already done so, and to follow the school Facebook page or Twitter feed. We can provide paper copies of this newsletter to parents who request it but wish to continue to email it out to as many of you as possible to keep costs down to a minimum so we can continue to use our money to make improvements to the school. I hope you have already heard about our latest investments in every classroom—there were a lot of excited teachers as well as children around school yesterday!

I look forward to working with you and your families during 2017.

Kind regards



Breakfast and After School Provision

Did you know we offer onsite breakfast and afterschool provision?

Early Birds Breakfast Club (7:30—8:45)

Sunrise Club (8:00—8:45)

Sunset Club (3:30—5:30)

The children will be served breakfast and an after school snack and have the option of various activities on a daily basis.

Booking forms are available from reception.

Key Dates for 2017

4 Jan 8.45am Start of Term 3

20 Jan Y5 Class assembly
2.30pm

10 Feb 3.30pm End of Term 3

20 Feb 8.45am Start of Term 4

22 Feb Parents Evening

23 Feb Parents Evening

2 Mar World Book Day

22 Mar Y3/4/5 Performance 2pm
and 6pm

24 Mar Open afternoon 2.30pm

31 Mar 1.15pm End of Term 4

18 Apr Non Pupil Day

19 Apr 8.45am Start of Term 5

28 Apr Y3 Class assembly
2.30pm

19 May Foundation class as-
sembly 2.30pm

26 May 3.30pm End of Term 5

5 Jun 8.45am Start of Term 6

7 Jun Sports Day

30 Jun Y4 Class assembly
2.30pm

7 Jul Reports to parents

14 Jul Open afternoon 2.30pm

21 Jul 1.15pm End of Term 6

25 Jul Non Pupil Day

In case of adverse weather conditions!

- * The local radio stations (Heart FM, BBC Radio Devon and Radio Plymouth) will be informed so the information can be broadcast.
- * The city council will be informed and they will publish the information on their website www.plymouth.gov.uk/schoolclosures
- * The council will also publish the information on their social media channels



Twitter

<https://twitter.com/plymouthcc>



Facebook

www.facebook.com/PlymouthCityCouncil

- * Members of staff who live closest to the school will attempt to come in to school, if it is safe to do so, to give anyone who turns up the message that the school is closed
- * The information will be published on the school website as soon as possible and by 8am at the latest
- * An email will be sent out to all parents we have an email address for as soon as all the official information requirements have been met by the school
- * The school will reopen as soon as possible taking into account the following conditions:

The safety and accessibility of the site and surrounding area

The availability of heat, light, power and water

Availability of staff

Availability of meals

Thank You - what a great start to the year!

I have received a letter today stating the school collected £94.56 in the Poppy Appeal tin. Adding this to our £84 raised by the Poppy Cake Sale we have raised a total of £178.56.



I was also delighted to receive a letter (which you can read on the back of the newsletter) and a certificate from the Prader-Willi Syndrome Association UK, thanking us for the £248.02 which many of you kindly donated at the Infant Nativity. We were not able to gift aid the donation but will be collecting again at the Y3, 4 & 5 performance at the end of this term as we are supporting this charity over the whole year.



LETTER FROM PRADER-WILLI SYNDROME ASSOCIATION UK

Dear Claire and all at Widewell Primary School

On behalf of the Prader-Willi Syndrome Association UK, I would like to thank you very much for raising £248.02. This has now been safely banked.

The association has had a very busy year especially with our bi-annual 2 day conference in November. We had over 400 of the PWS community attend and visit workshops and listen to speakers on a range of subjects. We also had PWS children attend on the Saturday to take part in circus skills, arts and crafts, mini Olympics and generally having a fun and active time. One of the best bits is seeing people meet old friends and make new ones, some of which will last a life-time.

Thank you again for your kind fundraising, it will enable the association to carry on supporting our PWS community across the whole country.

Kind Regards

Joe Hurd (Fundraising and Social Media Officer)

ONE YOU PLYMOUTH

One YOU Plymouth is a ground breaking new campaign to help adults across the city avoid future diseases caused by modern day life. Everyday habits and behaviours—such as eating too much unhealthy food, drinking more than is recommended, continuing to smoke and not being active enough—are responsible for around 40% of all deaths in England, and cost the NHS more than £11 billion a year.

The new campaign will help adults in Plymouth to move more, eat well and drink less and be smoke free. One YOU Plymouth will also provide information on how people can reduce their stress levels and sleep better.

Our clinics will cover all of the above and 1-1 appointments are available every day of the week including a Saturday at locations across Plymouth, including the Cumberland Centre and Plymstock, Plympton, Efford and Southway Library.

For more information, times and to book an appointment please call—01752 437177 or visit www.ONEYOUPLYMOUTH.co.uk

Gloves

Foundation are looking for any old gloves, single or pairs to help with their maths work.

Please send any gloves into Mrs Robinson or Miss Gardiner.

Parentpay

Dinner Money Reminder

Just a reminder that dinner money should be paid for in advance, preferable through Parentpay. If you require log in details please come to the school office.

You can also pay for nurse fees, Sunrise breakfast club, Sunset after school club and the current year 5 residential trip using Parentpay.

