

28th March 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians

I hope this message finds you well. As we reflect on the recent Easter service, I'm filled with pride. It was heartwarming to see our community come together, and I extend my deepest thanks to all the children whose enthusiasm and spirit truly brought the occasion to life. My appreciation also goes out to the dedicated Year 5 team, Revd Martyn Tyrrell and the welcoming congregation at St. Mary's Church for their invaluable contributions.

I'd like to acknowledge the commendable effort of our Year 6 students as they braved the elements in preparation for the Exmoor Challenge. Despite less than ideal weather conditions, their perseverance and mutual support were exemplary.

Our football teams deserve a special mention for their outstanding participation in the recent schools' competition. Not only did they demonstrate exceptional sportsmanship and teamwork, but their polite and well-mannered conduct also earned them high praise. A huge congratulations to the Orange team for securing 1st place and bringing another trophy home, and to the Blue team for their impressive 9th place finish. Your achievements make us all incredibly proud.

As we move forward, I'd like to gently remind everyone about the importance of our school uniform policy. We understand the financial considerations involved and offer a selection of pre-loved uniforms available through the school. Please don't hesitate to reach out to the office if you need assistance in this regard.

Looking back on this term, there's so much to celebrate, and I am eagerly anticipating what the next term holds. We have many exciting plans in store and we will share more details when we return. Until then, I thank you once again for your ongoing support and wish you all a lovely and restful Easter break.

Warmest regards,



Mathew Harts, Head of School

General Letters issued this week	
Year	Topic
All	Sweet sale
All	Tempest photo links
4	Filming props
3	Lee Abbey paperwork
6	Leavers hoodies shop link
All	Summer term menu
All	Community choir

PE Days
Year 3 – Thursday
Year 4 – Wednesday
Year 5 – Monday
Year 6 – Tuesday
Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their PE kit – they will stay in this all day

What's on week commencing 15th April 2024?
Monday Private Piano & Violin lessons Private Guitar Lessons Tuesday Private singing lessons Farm small group Pathfield buddies small group Wednesday Private Piano & Violin lessons Pilton House small group Thursday Rocksteady private lessons Friday Private Woodwind lessons Upper school sports

<p>Find us on;</p> <p>Website: www.piltonbluecoat.devon.sch.uk</p> <p>Facebook: @Pilton Bluecoat Academy</p> <p>Twitter: @teammatceo</p> <p>Email: office@piltonbluecoat.devon.sch.uk</p>
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<p>Pilton Bluecoat Fundraising Group</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/</p>
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<p>Breakfast Club & Afterschool club</p> <p>Please contact Tia or Jemma on</p> <p>north.devon@primary-sports.co.uk</p> <p>Website: www.primary-sports.co.uk</p>

Friday Sports

Spring 2024						
Friday's Date		Planning	Swim	Dance	Volleyball	Football
19-Apr		UPPER	5MR	5EC	6SE	6MT
26-Apr		LOWER	3KD	4BC	3LB	4AB
03-May		UPPER	5MR	5EC	6SE	6MT
10-May		LOWER	3KD	4BC	3LB	4AB
17-May		UPPER	5MR	5EC	6SE	6MT
24-May	<i>Change</i>	LOWER	3LB	3KD	4AB	4BC

Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their PE kit on these dates as well as their usual PE day. To cover the cost of the swimming we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £3 per child per lesson please, this can be paid via Arbor under school shop.

Afterschool clubs

A new letter regarding afterschool clubs will be sent out after Easter holidays, therefore for the first week back there will be no clubs running until we know the new attendees—except karate and tennis which will carry on as normal, if you wish to sign up for these two clubs you are still able to do so.



Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

Here is a reminder of the link;

<https://www.leavershoodies.com/pilton-bluecoat-academy--year-6-2024-leavers>

The shop is open until 7th April.

Exmoor Challenge



Continuing on their Exmoor Challenge training journey, our Year 6 students ventured across Exmoor this Monday. They navigated through the rugged terrain of Anstey Common, taking turns to lead and guide the team along the route.

In the final hour, they pushed their limits, ramping up their pace in preparation for the upcoming 16-mile trek across Exmoor scheduled for May.

Throughout the day, children showed fantastic teamwork, map reading skills and leadership. Well done!

PUNCTUALITY MATTERS!

Being frequently late for school adds up to lost learning:

- Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year.
- Arriving 15 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 2 weeks a year.
- Arriving 30 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 19 days a year.

19 days lost a year through being late means 90% attendance.



**missed minutes =
missed learning
= missed opportunities!**

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Devon
County Council

Each academic school year is 38 weeks (Sept-July) or 190 days. The following chart shows how missed days affects overall attendance.





PILTON COMMUNITY CHOIR



Parents we need you! Please come and join
our choir for the summer term on Thursdays
after school!

Save the date!

Thursday 11th July

E-safety day with "The 2 Johns"

This is for parents, children and staff across all of our schools, these sessions will be live and fully interactive. More details to follow but please put this date in your diaries.

School Photos



Please find the links to the recent class and Year 6 photographs. Tempest offer a free “deliver to school” for all orders placed within the next 14 days, after that time, home delivery is available at a cost of £5.

If you need assistance or have any questions regarding placing an order, please call 01736 751555 (option 3) or click on the “contact” button on the website home page (htempest.co.uk).

<https://htmp.st/PiltonBluecoat24-3LB>

<https://htmp.st/PiltonBluecoat24-3KD>

<https://htmp.st/PiltonBluecoat24-4BC>

<https://htmp.st/PiltonBluecoat24-4AB>

<https://htmp.st/PiltonBluecoat24-5EC>

<https://htmp.st/PiltonBluecoat24-5MR>

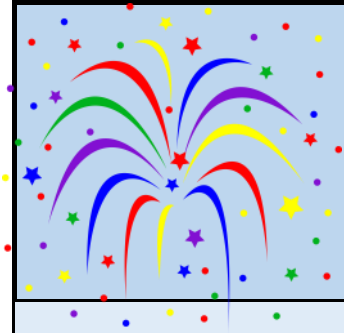
<https://htmp.st/PiltonBluecoat24-Y6Leaver>

North Devon Boys' Football Tournament



On Tuesday this week, we took two teams to the Y5/6 North Devon Football Tournament at Tarka. Both teams showed some excellent individual and team performances in many games throughout the day. There were a couple tense moments where our orange team won on penalties in the quarter and semi-finals before beating Sticklepath 2-0 in the final to become champions of North Devon! Mr Turner.





Celebration Assembly

Thursday 28th March

Handwriting Heroes

Year 3 - Parker, Year 4 - Scarlett, Year 5 - Henry, Year 6 - Tilly

Reading Champions - Book Token!

Year 3 - Aldrich, Year 4 - Logan, Year 5 - Kinga, Year 6 - Bella

Work

Sofia & Vienna for an incredible commitment to their reading homework

Ede for her amazing weaving.

Nathalin for her brilliant writing about the Gila Monster.

Ava for her excellent learning behaviours and all round effort.

Konni for her hard work and perseverance since joining Bluecoat.

Arlo for excellent progress in times tables and good learning behaviours

Samba, Emilia and Evelin for producing absolutely fantastic London diaries for homework..

River for careful and methodical work in maths

Rachael for her fantastic effort in her reading homework.

Contribution

Yr 5 Easter service, well done to everyone who participated
Exmoor Challenge walkers for their fantastic teamwork during our training walk on Monday.

Year 5/6 boy footballers for their fantastic teamwork and effort during the North Devon football tournament at Tarka.

HOUSE POINTS TOTAL

Neptune = 1147 Jupiter = 1067 Saturn = 1057 Mercury = 1000



- If your child is poorly please report their absence to the school office on 01271 345452 by 9.30am.
- All medical appointments are to be advised in advance please to the school office.
- Any other absences must be applied for via an absence request form.
- Please supply your child with a refillable drinks bottle every day.
- Warm coats for outdoor play if it's wet or cold!
- Parking Permits for use in Fairview carpark are available from the school office. Two per family.



Summer Term Dinner Menu

Meal price is £2.53 per day,
payable on Arbor please

Tomato & Basil Pasta and Jacket
Potatoes with a choice of toppings
are available every day.

Fresh fruit and salad are
available daily.

	Week 1: 15/04, 06/05, 03/06, 24/06, 15/07
Mon	Sausage Rolls V – Vegetable Sausage Roll Crispy Potatoes & Peas and Carrots Pancake Monday (various toppings)
Tues	Beef Burgers in a bap V – Veggie Burger in a bap Beans and Sweetcorn Fruit and Yoghurt
Weds	Roast of the Day V – Homity Pie Roast Potatoes and Seasonal Veg Fruit Salad/Ice Cream
Thurs	Chicken Pasta Bake V – Macaroni Cheese Mixed Veg and Garlic Bread Jelly
Fri	Fish Fingers V – Cheese Wheels Golden Fries & Cucumber/Carrot Batons Iced Sponge

School Term Dates 2023/2024

Summer Term

First Day: 15th April 2024

Bank Holiday: 6th May 2024

Half-term: 27th - 31st May 2024

Non Pupil Day: 3rd June 2024

Last Day: 23rd July 2024

Non pupil days: 3rd June 2024

Dates for your diary, 2024

Date	Event
29th March - 12th April	Easter Holidays
1st—3rd May	Year 3 Residential
13th—16th May	Year 6 SATS week
23rd-24th May	Year 4 Residential
27th May—31st May	Half-Term
3rd June	Non-Pupil Day
13th June	Olympic Legacy
27th & 28th June	Move up/Transition Days
1st—5th July	Year 6 Residential
10th July	Sports Day
11th July	E-Safety with "The 2-Johns"
12th July	Essex Dance
18th July	Rocksteady Concert
23rd July	Schools out for Summer!

Any articles which appear in the school newsletter, that have not been organised by or on behalf of the school, have not been verified by TEAM Multi-Academy Trust as to the suitability for children. The news items are for parent information only.

FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Sunday Club

Crafts, Games,
Snacks, Faith, Fun!


SUNDAYS 10.30 - 11.45am
In Term-Time



MEET IN ST MARY'S CHURCH,
PILTON @10.30AM & THEN WE
WILL GO OVER TO THE HALL

EMAIL PILTONSUNDAYCLUB@GMAIL.COM
FOR MORE INFO

DANCE ENERGY NORTH DEVON





ZUMBA® fitness
Fun dance workout to music from around the world.

Monday 10.00am
The Venue Barnstaple
Tuesday 6.30pm
Pilton Bluecoat School
Friday 10.00am
The Venue Barnstaple

Clubbercise
Fun dance workout in a disco atmosphere with glow sticks.

Monday 7.00pm
YMCA South Molton
Tuesday 8.00pm
Pilton Bluecoat School
Thursday 7.00pm
Ilfracombe Academy

Dance Yourself Fit and Feel Energized with these Fun Dance Exercise Classes for Adults

For information contact Helen
(Certified Zumba & Clubbercise Instructor)
Tel: 01271 379756 / 07930 386727  

North Devon Music Centre

If your child plays an instrument, they are welcome to join one of the groups at the North Devon Music Centre. The details are as follows:

Venue: Pilton Community College (in the maths classrooms)
Cost: £41 per term (if they do a 2nd group, the 2nd fee would be half price)
When: The groups meet once a week during term time on Wednesday evenings
What: The following groups are available to join:

5pm - 6pm session:

Next Steps Orchestra (Any instrument, beginners welcome)
Flute Choir (From grade 1 upwards)
Clarinet Choir (From grade 1 upwards)
Brass ensemble (All standards welcome)
Junior Strings (For violin, viola, cello & double bass. From beginners up to grade 4)

6pm - 7pm session:

String Orchestra (For violin, viola, cello & double bass. From grade 4+)
Guitar Ensemble (Grade 1 upwards)
Wind Band (Woodwind, brass & percussion. Grade 1 upwards)

Contact details: northdevonmusiccentre@outlook.com

Here is there website for more details: <https://www.northdevonmusiccentre.co.uk/>



**Friday
29th
March**

Popup café with Easter fun for kids
In Pilton Church Hall

10.30-12pm

The fun is free but there is a small charge for refreshments!



**BARNSTAPLE
TOWN COUNCIL**

**FREE
Easter
CRAFTING WORKSHOPS**

**WEDNESDAY
3RD & 10TH APRIL 2024**

11AM-2PM

**GUILDHALL,
BARNSTAPLE**



Just the Way We Are

An art exhibition about ageing
- open to all ages

Barnstaple Library Foyer
Saturday 30th March
9am - 1pm

@nickyruddickart



**Easter Holiday
Tennis Camps**

**DEVONSHIRE
TENNIS ACADEMY**

Develop your child's tennis whilst having fun, making friends & playing games.
Our dedicated, passionate & engaging coaches welcome all ages & abilities in great locations.

Junior Camp Tuesday 2nd - Friday 12th April
5 - 12 yr olds | 10am - 1pm | £10 per day

Week 1
Tues 2nd Apr Braunton
Wed 3rd Apr Rock Park
Thurs 4th Apr Braunton
Fri 5th Apr Rock Park

Week 2
Mon 8th Apr Braunton
Tues 9th Apr Rock Park
Wed 10th Apr Braunton
Thurs 11th Apr Rock Park
Fri 12th Apr Braunton

Teen Camp - 2nd, 4th & 8th April
13 - 16 yr olds | 10am - 1pm | £10 per day

Dates
Tues 2nd Apr Braunton
Thurs 4th Apr Braunton
Mon 8th Apr Braunton

Locations
Barnstaple Park Lane Tennis Club, Rock Park, EX32 9AH
Braunton Braunton Tennis Club, Wrafton Road, EX33 2BP

To book email:
bookings@devonshiretennisacademy.com

www.devonshiretennisacademy.com

FOOTBALL FUN EASTER CAMP

THURSDAY 11TH APRIL AT PILTON BLUECOATS SCHOOL

Age 4 - 11yrs old, 10.00am-2.00pm
GIRLS AND BOYS OF ALL ABILITIES WELCOME

Fun packed football days with qualified coaches.
Children must bring along their own water bottle, packed lunch, football boots, shin pads and clothing for all conditions.

JUST £15.00
SIBLING DISCOUNT AVAILABLE

11TH APRIL
PILTON BLUECOATS SCHOOL

EMAIL: ROSS@THEGOALGETTERS.CO.UK // FACEBOOK: [THETHEGOALGETTERSND](https://www.facebook.com/THETHEGOALGETTERSND) // WWW.THEGOALGETTERS.CO.UK

LIMITED SPACES - BOOK NOW TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

ROMAR SPORTS EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

Join us for a fun filled Easter of football, games, competitions & prizes
Girls & Boys
Ages 4 - 15 years
9am - 4pm

APRIL 2ND - 5TH 2024

EARLY BIRD OFFER £25 PER DAY Offer closes 10th March	FULL WEEK OFFER £90 Best Price
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APRIL 6TH - 12TH 2024

EARLY BIRD OFFER £25 PER DAY Offer closes 10th March	FULL WEEK OFFER £110 Best Price
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£30 Per day after the 10th March

TARMA LEISURE CENTRE 3G
Barnstaple, North Devon EX31 2AP

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www.romarsports.com

More Information
e: info@romarsports.com

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PRIMARY SPORTS & EDUCATION

Sticklepath Community Primary Academy

Easter Activity days

Dates:
Tuesday 2nd April
Wednesday 3rd April
Thursday 4th April
Tuesday 9th April
Wednesday 10th April
Thursday 11th April

Venue:
Sticklepath Primary school
EX31 2HH

Agers:
5-11 Years old

TIME:
8.30am-3.30pm

To book:

- Visit - www.primary-sports.co.uk
- Click on the "Book now tab"
- "Sticklepath EASTER activity days"
- Complete the online booking form

Contact us: north.devon@primary-sports.co.uk

Primary sports and education (North Devon)

centre stage school Easter Workshops

TUESDAY 2 April	5-8s	SINGING WORKSHOP with Emma Come and learn some fun action songs including 'There once was an Elephant', 'I Love the Flowers' and 'Dem Bones'. Also, play some rhythm games and accompany the songs using body percussion and hand-held percussion instruments.
THURSDAY 4 April	9-16s	MUSICAL THEATRE WORKSHOP with Liv The chance for the children to create and learn a number from a well known musical. They will be encouraged to work and create characters within the number. Plus a physical warm up and technical exercises.
TUESDAY 9 April	9-16s	SINGING WORKSHOP with Emma Come and learn songs from classic Broadway/West End shows including the musicals of Andrew Lloyd Webber and 'Les Miserables' by Claude-Michel Schoenberg. Working on expression, technique, and simple costuming to bring these classic songs to life. Ensemble and solo work included.
THURSDAY 11 April	5-8s	DANCE WORKSHOP with Helen Have fun learning rhythms and dances from around the world. Learn Bollywood, african, Irish dancing and more. Fun props to enjoy dancing with.

All 10am to 1pm £18 per Workshop

To Book: email cssschool2020@gmail.com or via facebook @cssbarnstaple
www.centrestageschool.org