

Weekly News

28th November 2019



Dates and key information

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### School Meals

Week Beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> December - **YELLOW**

Juniors ~ £2.30 Infants ~ free

### November

- Fri 29<sup>th</sup> - Christmas play practise - **WELLIES**
- Fri 29<sup>th</sup> - Choir Club 3.30-4.15pm  
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- Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> - Christmas play practise - **WELLIES**
- **Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> - Junior Forest School Group 2**
- Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> - Sports Club 3.30-4.15pm
- Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> - Brumble Bees in session
- Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> - Tag Rugby Club 3.30-4.15pm
- Weds 4<sup>th</sup> - Brumble Bees in session
- Weds 4<sup>th</sup> - Singing in the Chapel 10.30am
- Weds 4<sup>th</sup> - Flu Immunisations - Rec to Year 6
- Weds 4<sup>th</sup> - Infants Forest School Group 1
- Weds 4<sup>th</sup> - Story Club 3.30-4.15pm
- Fri 6<sup>th</sup> - Brumble Bees in session
- Fri 6<sup>th</sup> - 'I believe in Unicorns' at Umberleigh Village hall - **Pick up at Brayford at 4pm**
- **Fri 6<sup>th</sup> - NO Choir Club**  
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### December

- Mon 9<sup>th</sup> - Christmas play practise - **WELLIES**
- Mon 9<sup>th</sup> - Sports Club 3.30-4.15pm
- Tues 10<sup>th</sup> - Brumble Bees in session
- Tues 10<sup>th</sup> - Tag Rugby Club 3.30-4.15pm
- Weds 11<sup>th</sup> - Brumble Bees in session
- Weds 11<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Play 2pm & 6pm at High Bray
- Weds 11<sup>th</sup> - Infants Forest School Group 2
- **Weds 11<sup>th</sup> - No Story Club**

believe in Unicorns'. The performance starts at 2.15pm and finishes at 3.15pm therefore school pickup will be slightly later at 4pm on this day. The children will travel to Umberleigh in the school minibuses driven by Mrs Ward and Miss Sheppard.

Dear Parents

Christmas is coming and the next few weeks of term will be busy. The children will be singing in the Methodist Chapel on the morning of Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December. The children will walk to the chapel ready to start at 10.30am. They will need to have a waterproof coat on this day. Everyone is welcome to join us and listen to the children sing some Christmas songs.

The Christmas performance 'Baubles' will be on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm and 6pm at High Bray Church. They will need to bring their wellies and a waterproof coat on the day of the play so they can walk up to the church for the afternoon performance. They will need to be at the church at 5.45pm for the evening performance. Please join us and enjoy the festive play.



We are all looking forward to Christmas lunch on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 1pm. If you would like to join us then please fill out the order form attached to this newsletter.

On the afternoon of Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December the Reception to Year 6 children will be going to Umberleigh Village Hall to watch 'I



Best Wishes

Miss Corrinne Smith

### PLEASE NOTE:

- Junior Forest School group 2 will now take place on **MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> December** not Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December.
- Junior Forest School group 3 will now take place on **FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> December** not Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

### CURRICULUM NEWS

The Infants have been inspired by Mary Anning and how her discoveries helped us to learn more about dinosaurs. They have also been working hard on their presentation and taking pride in their work. The Juniors have also been learning about Mary Anning and her contribution to science. They have looked at her achievements and the challenges she faced being a woman in science.



### CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY LUNCH

Christmas lunch in the village hall will be on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** at 1pm. There will be a two course Christmas Lunch with roast turkey or vegetarian roast option followed by pudding. It will be great to have both parents and children eating this special meal together. Please fill out the slip below and return to the office **NO later than Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** if you wish to book a place. After lunch the PTFA have kindly organised a show for the children as a special Christmas treat. The children may wear a Christmas jumper on this day. The Christmas draw will be taking place on this day too, any donations of prizes would be greatly appreciated.



### CHRISTMAS PLAY PRACTISE

We will be walking to High Bray Church for Christmas play practises on the following dates:

- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December
- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December (Dress Rehearsal)



**Please ensure your child brings a pair of wellies** in for these dates as it can be muddy on the route.



Well Done  
for receiving a certificate of achievement this week



Certificate of Achievement

Juniors

**Josh** - For a super attitude to his work this week and excellent line learning with expression.

Infants

**James C** - For listening really carefully during maths lessons.



Merit Achievers

20 Merit achievers

- ★ Archie
- ★ Luke
- ★ Charlie

House Points totals -

Middlecott=40 Molland=120

Longwood=100 Kedworthy=60





## **Vacancy**

### **Witheridge Devon - Temporary Classroom Teacher**

**Employer information:** Witheridge Academy – part of TEAM Academy Trust

Address: Fore Street  
Witheridge  
EX37 9AY

Telephone: 01884 860518

**Website:** *www.teamacademytrust.com*

**Dates:** Apply by noon 4/12/19. Job starts 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019 for 2 terms.

**Salary:** MPS

**Location:** Devon

**Contract type:** Full Time

**Contract term:** Temporary

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic colleague commencing on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020. The contract will run for two terms until 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020. Newly Qualified Teachers are encouraged to apply.

Why Witheridge?

- We have well motivated children who enjoy first-hand and practical experiences.
- We are able to offer high levels of support and personalised professional development opportunities.
- Our school is a friendly community where everyone is part of the team.

We would like to appoint a person who:

- is willing to be innovative in their own work and through the sharing of ideas;
- is able to bring their own talents and interests to enhance the curriculum;
- will enjoy working with our fantastic children.

**Closing date: noon 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

Please visit [www.teamacademytrust.com/witheridge](http://www.teamacademytrust.com/witheridge) for further details about our school and to download an application pack.

Please email your completed application form and supporting documents to [vacancies@team-mat.org.uk](mailto:vacancies@team-mat.org.uk) or post to Pilton Bluecoat Academy marked for the attention of Mrs R Nicholas.



## Free Home Safety Visits

Dear Parents and Carers,

You are eligible for a FREE Home Safety Visit and it's easy to arrange.

### What is a 'Home Safety Visit?'

- It's a FREE visit from a trained technician who will advise on any fire or safety risks in the home.
- FREE equipment may be provided. This can include: smoke alarms, carbon monoxide alarms, extension leads, fire retardant bedding, smoke alarm testers and more.
- It's a FREE advice service: Our technicians are trained to look for risks that you may not have thought of.
- It's available to any household with children.
- We will discuss electrical safety including the safe charging of phones and tablets.
- We will identify and advise on fire safety risks such as overloaded sockets to help prevent the chance of a fire starting in your home.
- We will discuss an escape plan for you and your family.

**We want to help to keep your family safe from fire.**

Contact us by phone or  
email:

Quote code **401**

*Make the call!*  
**0800 05 02 999**  
**firekills@dsfire.gov.uk**



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Christmas Community Lunch

The next Community Lunch will be the Christmas Community Lunch and will take place in the Village Hall on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 1.00pm. Please see details above.

AT UMBERLEIGH VILLAGE HALL the  
FRIENDS OF UMBERLEIGH SCHOOL,  
INVITE YOU TO AN EVENING OF  
**LINE DANCING**  
FAMILY FUN SESSIONS, LED BY  
**DEVON DANCE**

**POSTPONED**

FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOV : 5-45 ONWARDS  
ADULT TICKETS £7.50  
CHILD TICKETS £4.00  
INCLUDES HOT DOG & PUDDING.  
★ CHECK SHIRT, HAT & BOOTS OPTIONAL. ★

*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.*



Letters sent home this week

## Calendar

Please look out for further details of the following events which have been scheduled for this Autumn term. These dates are an indication of what is to come, but may be subject to change as the term progresses and the need arises.

### 2019

29<sup>th</sup> November - Christmas Play practice - High Bray - **REMEMBER WELLIES**

2<sup>nd</sup> December - Christmas Play practice - High Bray - **REMEMBER WELLIES**

4<sup>th</sup> December - Singing in the Methodist Church 10.30am

4<sup>th</sup> December - Flu Immunisations Reception to Year 6

6<sup>th</sup> December - "I believe in Unicorns" - Umberleigh - Whole school

9<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Play practice - High Bray - **REMEMBER WELLIES**

10<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Play practice - High Bray - **REMEMBER WELLIES**

11<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Play 2pm & 6pm - High Bray Church

18<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Dinner and PTFA entertainment

20<sup>th</sup> December - Last Day of Term

**These dates are intended as a guide and you will be notified of any changes**

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### Booking for Breakfast Club

I wish to book my child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_ into Breakfast Club from 7.45am for the week commencing - Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|
|        |         |           |          |        |

(please tick)

I enclose £4 per day per child, total £ \_\_\_\_\_ Please make cheques payable to TEAM Multi Academy Trust.

I have paid via ParentPay

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please return by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November).

**Christmas Community Dinner - Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

**1pm in the Village Hall.**

I request the following places for the above event.

Name .....

Number of adults places @ £5.00 each

Number of child places (over 4 years) @ £2.30

Number of child places (under 4 years) @ £1.50 each

I have paid via Parentpay the amount of: £.....

I have enclosed the amount of: £.....

Please place all cash/cheque payments in an envelope with this slip and **return to the office**  
**NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER.**

Cheques made payable to 'TEAM Multi Academy Trust'

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