



Weekly News

5th February 2020

**Key information for week commencing:
Mon 10th February 2020**

Monday

Open Prayer Meeting
12.30pm

Tuesday

Pathfield Buddies 5PK

Wednesday

Thursday

Pathfield Buddies 5JH

Friday

Parent & Friends Café
Lower School Friday
Sports

Letters issued this week

Year	Topic
All	Proms Concert
6	Exmoor Challenge

Dear Parents

We have had a great week here at the school. One of the highlights has got to be the staff versus children relay race which took place on Friday just before our celebration assembly. We have many talented runners at the school so it was clear that the race was always going to be close. The whole event generated plenty of excitement and turned out to be a great success with the staff team winning by a very small margin. Well done to everyone who took part!

The Year 5's arrived safely in London yesterday and very much enjoyed their time at London Zoo. As I write this they will be preparing to visit Parliament and after that will experience what the London Eye and St Paul's Cathedral have to offer. The Year 5 children who have remained at Pilton Bluecoat have been enjoying their enrichment programme; taking part in cooking sessions, sports activities and trips to Braunton Burrows and RHS Rosemoor.

Finally, I have some news to share with you regarding the leadership of Pilton Bluecoat Academy and TEAM Multi-Academy Trust. As you will all now know Mrs Nicholas will be

retiring from her position as CEO of TEAM in July of this year. After being interviewed for the position on Friday the 24th of January I am pleased to announce that I was successful with my application to become the new CEO. This is really exciting for me both personally and professionally and I am looking forward to the new challenges which lie ahead. One of the main priorities over the next few weeks will be to ensure that we appoint an excellent Head of School for Pilton Bluecoat Academy.

Have a lovely week,

Best wishes

Mr Thomas
Headteacher



SOCIAL MEDIA

Find us on social media:



Facebook: @Pilton Bluecoat Academy <https://www.facebook.com/Pilton-Bluecoat-Academy-948058705312527/>



Twitter: @bluecoathead (Mr Thomas) <https://twitter.com/BluecoatHead?lang=en> @Pilton Bluecoat Academy <https://twitter.com/PiltonBluecoat?lang=en>

Did you get a new phone for Christmas or in the January sales?

Have you changed jobs in the New Year?

Have you recently moved house?

Don't forget to inform the school via your Sims Parentlite app. It is quick and easy to use and saves time having to call into the school office.

It is important that you keep us up to date with changes to addresses, phone numbers and medical issues so that we are always able to reach you during the school day.



PROMS

Permissions for your child to perform at the Proms Concert (either individual or as a group) is now on Parentpay. If your child wants to take part then please make sure you sign up. There are two performances on the day, one at 2pm and the other at 6pm. Your child will need to be able to attend both.

Thank you.

POLITE NOTICE

A REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS, THAT THEIR CHILDREN AND SIBLINGS ARE NOT TO USE SCOOTERS ON THE PLAYGROUND AT ANYTIME.

IN ADDITION; FOR THE SAFEGUARDING OF ALL OUR CHILDREN WE ALSO ASK THAT OUR PUPILS ARE COLLECTED AT 3.20pm, OR IF WALKING HOME ALONE THAT THEY LEAVE THE SCHOOL PREMISES STRAIGHT AWAY. WE APPRECIATE THAT SOME PUPILS HAVE SIBLINGS AT PILTON INFANTS BUT WOULD ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO BE OFF SITE BY 3.45pm.

WE THANK YOU FOR HELPING US TO ENSURE THE WELLBEING OF ALL OUR PUPILS.

Dinner Menu

Week Commencing Monday 10th February



All meals are served with a selection of fresh vegetables and fruit.
Jacket potato options are available every day with cheese, beans or tuna



OPTION	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main option	Cheese & tomato pizza with potato wedges	Pork sausages with mashed potato	Roast turkey with roast potatoes & gravy	Cottage pie	Crispy fish & chips
Vegetarian option	BBQ quorn burger with potato wedges	Vegetarian sausages with mashed potato	Country vegetable pie with roast potatoes & gravy	Mild sweet potato curry with rice	Tomato & quorn wrap with chips
Pudding	Raspberry ripple cake	Oatie biscuits	Orange shortbread	Chocolate & raspberry swirl cake with custard	Banana & cinnamon cake

HAPPY Pancake DAY

Tuesday 25th February

BBQ Chicken or Tomato & Mozzarella Pizza
 Potato Wedges
 Peas & Sweetcorn
 Pancake with a choice of fillings
 Indulgent Chocolate & Banana
 Traditional Lemon & Sugar
 Fruity Compote

- The largest pancake ever made measured 15 metres and weighed in at three tonnes.
- Traditionally pancakes were consumed on Shrove Tuesday because it was a way to use up many of the ingredients people were not supposed to consume during Lent.
- The idea of eating pancakes on Shrove Tuesday is more than 1,000 years old.

Chartwells

Remember the date!

PROMS AUDITIONS

Just to remind you that if your child wishes to audition to do a solo or small group performance in the Proms Music Concert, the auditions are on the following days:

Year 4 & 3BC: Wednesday 5th February (today)

3GT: Thursday 6th February

Please note that the dates for 3GT and 3BC in the original letter were wrong, these are the correct dates.

If your child needs to bring an instrument or music for their audition please remember to bring it to school on the correct day. We do now have access to Youtube in each in classroom so we can play music that way rather than children needing to bring in devices.

If your child does need to bring music in on a device, please hand it into the office first thing in the morning so that it can be kept safe until it needs to be used.

*Finally, for your child to take part in their year group act that we have been preparing, or with choir or recorder club, they do **NOT** need to audition. Auditions are for solo pieces only.*



Celebration Assembly

Handwriting Heroes

Year 3 - Holly W
 Year 4 - Elijah H
 Year 5 - Ella G
 Year 6 - Lucas M

Work

Isla B & Sophie R - Climbing trophy
 Lucie & Yvette - Art work
 Lilli-Mai & Bobby - maths
 Imogen - Excellent effort on homework
 Bella K - Effort on literacy
 Tyler B & Lucy H - Maths progress
 Harry T - Excellent progress
 Tyler-Jay - Excellent attitude to all his learning
 Neve - Etymology poster
 Devlin - Literacy work

20 Merits

Oliver P, Ellis, Eddie, Renee, Cerys, Ryan, Bella D, Frank

40 Merits

Bobby D, Jay, Eden, George, Charlotte S, Oli C, Tom, Sophie R, Evie S, Isabelle C, Isla J

Housepoints

Jupiter - 1300

Saturn - 1320

Mercury - 1280

Neptune - 1220



FRIDAY SPORTS SCHEDULE 2020

Date	Planning	Swim	Dance	Football Sessions	Barum Boxing
24-Jan	UPPER	6MT	6SE	5JH	5PK
31-Jan	LOWER	3BC	3GT	4KD	4AB
07-Feb	UPPER	6MT	6SE	5JH	5PK
14-Feb	LOWER	3BC	3GT	4KD	4AB

SPRING TERM - DATES TO REMEMBER

Event	Date
London– Year 5 Residential	Tuesday 4 th – Friday 7 th Feb 2020
Lost Property Display	Thursday 13 th February 2020
Half Termly Reports Due Home	Friday 14 th February 2020
World Book Day	Thursday 5 th March 2020
Proms Concert @ The Queens Theatre	Wednesday 18 th March 2020
Parents Evening	Tuesday 24 th and Wednesday 25 th March 2020
Lost Property Display	Thursday 26 th March 2020
Half Termly Reports Due Home The Beacon - final payment deadline	Friday 27 th March 2020
Ultimate Adventure Centre - final payment deadline	Friday 1 st May 2020
The Beacon – Year 3 Residential	Monday 4 th – Wednesday 6 th May 2020
BANK HOLIDAY	Friday 8 th May 2020
Lost Property Display	Thursday 21 st May 2020
Year 6 Leavers Photos Half Termly Reports Due Home Heatree final payment deadline	Friday 22 nd May 2020
Ultimate Adventure Centre – Year 4 Residential	Wednesday 3 rd – Friday 5 th June 2020
Year 6 Transition to Pilton CC (AM)	Thursday 18 th June 2020
Oceanfest – Year 6	Friday 19 th June 2020
Heatree House – Year 6 Residential	Monday 22 nd – Friday 26 th June 2020
Whole School Move Up Day Year 6 to PCC (All day)	Thursday 2 nd July 2020
Essex Dance	Friday 10 th July 2020
Lost Property Display	Thursday 16 th July 2020
Reports Due Home	Wednesday 22 nd July 2020

TERM DATES 2019/2020

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
First day - 9 th Sept	First day - 6 th Jan	First day - 15 th April Bank Holiday 8th May
Half-term 21 st - 25 th Oct	Half-term 17 th - 21 st Feb	Half-term 25 th - 29 th May
Last day - 20 th Dec	Last day - 27 th March	Last day - 22 nd July



CLEANER

Required: 1st March 2020

Hours per week: 6.25

Working weeks: 41 weeks (38 weeks term time, plus 2 weeks during summer and 1 week during Easter shutdown periods)

Starting Salary: £9.18 per hour (Scale B)

Status: Permanent

Closing date: 12 noon 24th February 2020

High Bickington C of E Academy

The appointed person will be managed by the Premises Manager and Head of School. In service training will be provided where appropriate.

TEAM Multi-Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all its staff and volunteers to share this commitment. A DBS check will be undertaken and references taken up before interview. An application form should be fully completed; we do not accept cv's.

Full details and application form can be found on our website www.teamacademytrust.com

Applications should be hand delivered, posted or emailed to Caroline Tucker vacancies@team-mat.org.uk

St Mary's Church, Pilton & St Peter's,
Ashford with Pilton Bluecoat Academy

Café Church for all ages
in the School Hall

Sunday 9th February

10.30am



All welcome, please join us

North Devon Taiko Project
ndtaiko@gmail.com

Devon Music
Education Hub

Taiko Sessions

Open to years 4 upwards and school-based adults



Fridays, 4 – 5pm

Jan 17, 24, 31 and Feb 7

£2 per session

Centre Stage, Unit 2, Riverview Commercial Centre, Fittington Business Park,
Barnstaple, Devon, EX31 1QN

Free parking

Email: ndtaiko@gmail.com to find out more or book on.

"Mustard Seeds"

St Mary's Parent and Toddler Group

Pilton Church Hall
Thursdays 10.30-12.00pm

Chat, friendship, support,
play, songs, craft, bible
stories, coffee and cake....

Cost: £1.50 per week
... don't forget your toddler!



Dates for the Spring second half-term 2020:
5th, 12th, 19th, 26th March
For more information - ☎ 343225

South Molton Scrapstore

At The Coaching Inn



You don't need membership to
use our Scrapstore - it's just a
fixed rate of £5 per bag.

We are a not-for-profit organisation, run
by volunteers. All profits go to charity.

Our aims are to keep waste out of landfill
and provide a safe, inclusive space for
creativity to flourish.

Open Every Thursday
11 – 2 pm drop in session – craft,
chat and play
6.30 – 9 pm Craft Club

1st and 3rd Tuesday each month
11 – 1 pm PLAY group! An
informal stay and play session.



If you are a group - school, nursery, club etc and can't get to our
usual opening times please message and we will arrange a time to
suit you.



We are taking part in
Britain's biggest repair café!

Join us on
Saturday 15th February

Bring your broken household
items to be mended and be part
of the Repair Revolution.

These are the things we are collecting at the
moment – for ourselves and the other
charities we work with. Thank you

- Stamps
- Good condition fleece throws
- milk bottle tops
- New toiletries
- wool/ yarn
- Glasses Cases
- "dead" pens, felt tips, biro's etc.

South Molton Scrapstore is a community, not for profit organisation. We
ask for a £2 donation to cover the costs of each session.

Thank you for supporting us to keep surplus materials out of landfill, as
well as providing a safe, inclusive space where creativity can flourish.

Email: Southmoltonscrapstore@gmail.com or find us on [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/southmoltonscrapstore).

