



BRAYFORD ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

LIFE, LOVE AND LEARNING TO THE FULL

14th March 2024

Dates and key information

School Meals

Week Beginning 18th March - **GREEN**

Juniors ~ £2.53 Infants ~ free

February

- **Mon 18th** – Year 5/6 Bikeability
- **Mon 18th** – Film Club 3.30-4.15pm
- **Tues 19th** – Infant Parents in school 8.45-10.30am
- **Tues 19th** – Lego Club 3.30-4.15pm
- **Weds 20th** – **LAST** Choir Club 3.30-4.15pm
- **Thurs 21st** – Parents Evening 3.00-6.00pm
- **Fri 22nd** – Brumbles Forest School
- **Fri 22nd** – Juniors Hakeford Woods
- **Sat 23rd** – Exeter Chiefs Experience Day

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club runs daily when required from 7.45am to 8.45am and is available to all children at the cost of £4.00 per child. If you wish your child to eat breakfast they need to arrive before 8.15am. There is support available with the cost if your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium. **Please pre-book sessions at least 24 hours before the required session through the school office by email to admin@brayford.devon.sch.uk or alternatively phone 01598 710345.**

PLEASE NOTE if your child is not booked in to Breakfast Club they will be unable to attend.



Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had another busy week in school. The infants have been busy in design and technology completing their vehicles and the juniors have been looking forward to their trip to Rosemoor today.

Miss Prowse will be joining the children at Hakeford Woods tomorrow morning and will be in school for the day. This is a great opportunity for her to get to know the children before she starts teaching in the Junior class after Easter.

Next week the year 5 and 6 children will be taking part in Bikeability and the infants have an online art session to take part in.

The infant class will be open to parents on Tuesday 19th March from 8.45am-10.30am. The children are excited to share their learning with their families. Please feel free to stay for the morning or drop in if you wish.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Sara Leggott
Head of School

Attendance Ladder



CLASS ATTENDANCE

This week

INFANTS: 95.14%

JUNIORS: 97.92%

HAKEFORD WOODS

We are enjoying Hakeford Woods so much, we wondered if you'd like to come and experience it too! We are inviting parents to join us on either 15th or 22nd March. You wouldn't have responsibility for any children but would be able to observe and maybe even join in some of the activities.

You would need to be at Hakeford at 9.30am or follow us there as you might not find us if you arrive after. You'd need the same clothing as the children including waterproof trousers.

Please speak to Mrs Ashcroft or Mrs Ward if you are interested so we can spread parents across the 2 Fridays if possible.

Mrs Ashcroft



It's Comic Relief Red nose on Friday 15th March.

For a £1.00 donation children can come to school wearing something red. It can be anything from a full red outfit to just one red sock or even just a red hairband, anything goes!!

**Red Noses available to buy from the office
£2.00 each**



Parents Evening

Parents Evening is taking place on Thursday 21st March.

Miss Leggott, Miss Sheppard and Mrs Ashcroft will be available between 3.00pm and 6.00pm.

Please book an appointment via the Arbor app.



Bikeability

Don't forget – Year 5 & 6 Bikeability w/c 18th March. Bikes can be left in the Bike shed for the duration of the course! The children will be split into 2 groups, the first group will do all day Monday and Tuesday morning and the second group will do Tuesday afternoon and all day Wednesday. We will let you know who is in which group tomorrow via email. The children will need to wear comfy clothes and bring a waterproof coat when they are doing their session.



MUSIC SHARING ASSEMBLY

We would like to invite you to our Music Sharing Assembly which is taking place in the Village Hall on Thursday 28th March at 2.45pm. Our Rocksteady bands and Emma's musicians will be performing. Everyone is welcome!



TEACHERS ROCK ALBUM LAUNCH

Mrs Ashcroft, Mrs Brayley and Grace, along with other Academy children took part in an inspirational night of uplifting singing and transformational stories last Saturday. The Teachers Rock Abbey Road Studios album launch at The Mint Methodist Church Centre was a night they will never forget!

Photo credit: [Upright Media](#)



Well Done
for receiving a certificate of achievement



Certificate of Achievement

Juniors

James Ch - For Showing fantastic perseverance in Cross Country.

Duke - For working hard to complete the Cross Country races.

Aaron - For Great creativity and teamwork making the Hakeford Woods map.

Grace - For Lovely working together on the Hakeford map.

Jemmi - For creating the Hakeford Woods photo frame in miniature

Infants

James Co- For super effort in Maths.

Lara - For running half a mile without stopping.

Hakeford Woods week 3

At Hakeford Woods we went for a walk which was interesting because the dog kept leading the way. We saw bee hives and looked at the site from high up. We had a very interesting activity to make a map of the woods. Everyone worked really hard on their maps in teams. They were very creative and used things from around the site. We made dens. Reds and yellows had challenges because we made it near a river and it kept going into our den but we persevered and got through the hard times and we worked together really well. The greens and blues were in a team. They had the easiest den because the branches were low and they weren't right next to a river. They made a low but sheltered den but reds and yellows didn't make it as long then but made it taller and less sheltered because we were right next to a river. I really like the nice instructor Stuart. He let us have a go with the two-man saw. We had to go back to the Roundhouse and eat bonbon biscuits and talk about next week and what we're going to do and then the teachers looked at their watches and we had to go.

By Luke & Angus



Manchester Marathon PE

Challenge

You have 5 weeks to complete **26.2** miles!

You can run, walk, swim, cycle or scoot!

Please make sure you write how many miles you have completed each time you take part in the challenge.

Remember... to ask an adult to sign your map each time you complete your miles.

Please bring your map back to school after Easter and we will share our achievements.

Miss Leggott



- If your child is poorly, please report their absence to the school office on 01598 710345 by **9.30am**.
- All medical appointments are to be advised in advance 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!
- Please park considerately in the Village hall car park for drop off and pickups.



The School Office

Emails are only monitored between 8.30am and 12.30pm. If you need to speak to someone urgently, please call the school number 01598 710345. If no one answers, please leave a message and someone will contact you as soon as they can.

Menu w/c 18th March

MONDAY

Pork Sausages
V – Vegetarian Sausages
Creamed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables
Lemon Drizzle Cake

TUESDAY

Beef Lasagne
V – Vegetarian Lasagne
Garlic Bread, Peas & Carrots
Peach Melba & Ice-Cream

WEDNESDAY

Roast of the Day
V – Broccoli & Cheese Bake
Roast potatoes & Seasonal Veg
Fruit Platter

THURSDAY

BBQ Chicken
V – Macaroni Cheese
Rice & Seasonal Vegetables
Iced Sponge

FRIDAY

Cod Fish Cakes
V – Cheese Wheels
Golden Fries, Seasonal Vegetables
Chocolate Cracknel

Also available everyday:

Jacket potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans
Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

Cost of School Lunches:

Infants – Free

Juniors - £2.53 per meal

Calendar 2024

Please look out for further details of the following events which have been scheduled for this Summer 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.

2024

15th March - Red Nose Day

15th March - Juniors Hakeford Woods

18th March - Bikeability Year 5 & 6

19th March - Infant Parents invited into class 8.45-10.30am

21st March - Parents Evening 3.00-6.00pm

23rd March - Exeter Chiefs Experience Day

26th March - Whole School trip to Quince Honey Farm

28th March - Music Sharing Assembly 2.45pm Village Hall

28th March - **LAST DAY OF TERM**

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

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2023-2024

AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM
FIRST DAY 6th September 2023	FIRST DAY 3rd January 2024	FIRST DAY 15 th April 2024
HALF TERM 23rd – 27th October 2023	HALF TERM 12th – 16th February 2024	BANK HOLIDAY 6 th May 2024
LAST DAY 15th December 2023	LAST DAY 28 th March 2024	HALF TERM 27 th – 31 st May 2024
		NON PUPIL DAY 3rd June 2024
		LAST DAY 23 rd July 2024
		LAST DAY 22 nd July 2025



30 Hours/Working Entitlement Funding



IMPORTANT MESSAGE – DO NOT MISS OUT ON WORKING ENTITLEMENT FUNDING!

The working entitlement funding for 2, 3 and 4 year-olds is available for eligible families. It is important that if you have a child who will be 2 or 3 years old before 31st March or if your circumstances have changed, that you apply to HMRC (Childcare Service) now.

Please set-up or visit your [Gateway Account](#) immediately to apply or reconfirm. If you are unsure if you are entitled to the working entitlement, please check the [Eligibility Criteria](#).

It is important that you allow good time as any queries with new applications or reconfirmations could cause delays and any codes issued in April 2024 will not be funded in summer term 2024. Any start dates from 1st April 2024 will not be funded until autumn term 2024 and only then if you reconfirm by 31st August 2024.

If you have a code that needs to be reconfirmed, this should also be completed now, and if you are unsure, it is your responsibility to log into your Gateway Account and check. If you are newly eligible or are given a new code at reconfirmation, you need to take your 11-digit code to your provider who will complete a verification check and then confirm your funded space.

When eligibility ends, children who have accessed the working entitlement can continue to access their entitlement in the grace period. However, new children, who are 2 or 3 years old before 31st March, or start at a new setting, cannot start to use the working entitlement funding in the grace period if they are no longer eligible.

As part of the eligibility check with HMRC, you will be asked if you would like to register for Tax Free Childcare. You cannot register for Tax Free Childcare if you are in receipt of Universal Credit, Tax Credits or Childcare Vouchers. If you do register, your benefits may be stopped, and it can take several weeks to reinstate.

If you have problems accessing the system or completing your check, please call the HMRC Helpdesk on 0300 1234 097 (your provider and Devon County Council cannot assist with new applications or reconfirmations).

You may be able to access further help with childcare costs. Please visit the [Childcare Choices Website](#) for more information.



NORTH MOLTON YFC

EASTER BINGO

FRIDAY 22ND MARCH



BRAYFORD VILLAGE HALL

DOORS OPEN 7PM, EYES DOWN

7.30PM



LOTS OF PRIZES TO BE WON
INCLUDING LAMB DINNERS



REFRESHMENTS
AND BAR



RAISING MONEY FOR , OVER AND ABOVE, CHEMO HERO
AND NORTH MOLTON YFC

EGGSCellent

Easter

FAMILY FUN
CASTLE HILL
GARDENS

FRIDAY 29TH MARCH

BUNNY HUNT

Face Painting
Inflatables
'Emazdad'
Magic Shows

Garden Trail
Chocolate Prize
Food & Drink



£8 Adults / £4.50 Child

Easter garden trail & chocolate prize
Magic Shows • Under 5s free
Additional charge for face painting
& bouncy castle

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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

Ages: 5-11 Years old

Venue: Sticklepath Primary school EX31 2HH

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



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FILLEIGH VILLAGE HALL

2nd, 3rd, 4th April

9-3:30 | £20

NORTH MOLTON COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE

AGE GROUP	DATE	TIME	PRICE
5-8s	10th, 11th April	10am - 12pm	£8
9-14s		1pm - 4pm	£12



Book now at:
www.Achieve4All.co.uk

Easter Holiday Tennis Camps



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:

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