



Weekly News

18th September 2019

Key information for week commencing:

Mon 23rd September 2019

- **Monday**
Open Prayer Meeting @ 12.30pm
- **Tuesday**
Pathfield Buddies 5PK
- **Wednesday**
Cheddar Gorge trip - Lower School
- **Thursday**
Pathfield Buddies 5JH
- **Friday**
Lower School Friday Sports

Dear Parents

The school has been a hive of activity over the past week. Paul Stevens came into school last Thursday and performed his play, 'Virtual Reality', which provided the Year 5 pupils with the chance to reflect on how to stay safe online. Along with watching the play the children then participated in a workshop where they worked through some of the keys issues covered within the play. Paul joined us again today and performed another production called 'The Telling Tale' which has been specifically created for children who are in Year 6. The focus of the play was on bullying and provided the children with the opportunity to reflect on the impact this has on the victim and also on the bully.

Letters issued this week:

Year Group	Topic
Year 5	Fire Safety talk
All	Peripatetic music letter

At Pilton Bluecoat Academy the children's wellbeing and mental health is at the centre of everything we do. Last September we launched our new Learning Champions programme which provided opportunities for pupils to develop their life skills. We organised many different types of sessions

using the talents of the staff we have at the school. The activities ranged from things like cooking, art therapy, gardening, 1:1 mentoring, circle time, helping within the local community, Fun Fit, and learning about our own locality. Through the activities the pupils worked on specific targets linked to thinking skills, leadership, leading their own learning and working well with others. The whole thing was such a success that we have ensured a similar programme of events occurs year. We are very much looking forward to also continuing our work with St Mary's Church and Pilton House Residential Home.

We have now arranged a date for the Church Café which we run alongside St Mary's church. This event will be taking place at the school on Sunday 13th October at 10.30am. Please feel free to come along, enjoy some refreshments and learn more about our work with Uganda. With Harvest in mind, Mrs Tewkesbury has asked me to put out a request regarding the Harvest Festival. From today we are putting out an appeal for donations of tinned or packet food which we can send to the Freedom Centre in Barnstaple who do a fantastic job of supporting vulnerable members of our town. If you are able to donate then please ask your child to take it to their class teacher when they arrive in school in the morning.



This Friday our Parent Café will be up and running with Miss Gregory from 9am. Please feel free to come along for a hot drink and nice chat.

Have a good week!

Best wishes

Mr Thomas
Headteacher



Please ensure your ParentPay account is set-up and that you have authorised us to send out text messages with reminders. It is your responsibility to ensure your account is set-up with your up to date email address and mobile numbers. This is now our main avenue of written communication with you regarding school news, trips, events and activities. Any queries, please contact the school office.

CONSENT AND PERMISSIONS BOOKLET

Your child has now brought this booklet home. These permissions need to be updated annually. Please ensure that this is returned as soon as possible.

LONDON - YEAR 5 RESIDENTIAL

Spaces are limited and we now only have one space left!! The deposit needs to be paid on ParentPay to secure your child's space.





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NEW FRIDAY SPORTS SCHEDULE SEPT – DEC 2019

Swimming cost - £3 per session (only payable on the term your child attends)

Date	Planning	Swim	Dance	Basketball	P.E
AUTUMN TERM					
20-Sep	UPPER	5PK	5JH	6MT	6SE
27-Sep	LOWER	4AB	4KD	3GT	3BC
04-Oct	UPPER	5PK	5JH	6MT	6SE
11-Oct	LOWER	4AB	4KD	3GT	3BC
18-Oct	UPPER	5PK	5JH	6MT	6SE
HALF TERM - 25 OCT					
01-Nov	LOWER	4AB	4KD	3GT	3BC
08-Nov	UPPER	5PK	5JH	6MT	6SE
15-Nov	LOWER	4AB	4KD	3GT	3BC
22-Nov	UPPER	5PK	5JH	6MT	6SE
29-Nov	LOWER	4AB	4KD	3GT	3BC
06-Dec	UPPER	5PK	5JH	6MT	6SE
13-Dec	LOWER	4AB	4KD	3GT	3BC

CANPLAY AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Canplay are using a new computer system which they hope will improve the way sessions are booked. Users are now able to view session availability and book their child in online as and when required and even up to one hour before the childcare session starts.

However, if you book a session that you do not use they are unable to issue refunds, this is partly due to having to organise their staffing levels and provisions across the whole organisation.

They are suggesting that parents book in week by week rather than anything more long-term unless you are confident that the session will be needed.

As a school, we endeavour to inform you of any school trips that are coming up as soon as possible on a termly basis but are mindful that if your child is missing a Canplay session due to a school activity they are still in very safe hands!!



WORLD'S BIGGEST
COFFEE
MORNING

MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT
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Friday
27th Sept



Come along to our Coffee Morning

Every penny we raise means Macmillan can help more people with cancer live life as fully as they can.

Where: **PILTON BLUECOAT ACADEMY**

Date: ... **27/09/2019** ... Time: **9AM**

Cakes, cuppas and cash at the ready!

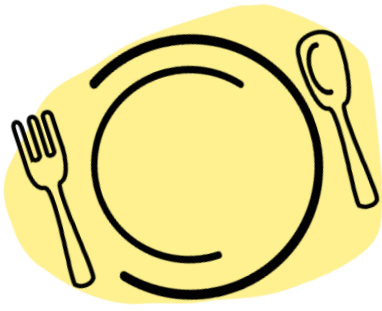


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Dinner Menu

WEEK ONE MENU - Week Commencing Monday 23rd September

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

<i>OPTION</i>	<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>
Purple Option	Mac n cheese	Chicken tikka masala with rice	Roast chicken with roast potatoes & gravy	Beef burger with potato wedges	Fish fingers & chips
Green Option	Mexican bean & potato wrap with rice	Cheese & tomato pizza with potato wedges	Quorn roast with roast potatoes & gravy	Veggie pizza hot dog with potato wedges	Quorn dippers with chips
Pudding	Chocolate slice	Orange drizzle cake	Shortbread biscuits	Banana & berry cobbler with custard	Peach & chocolate sponge



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DATES TO REMEMBER 2019/20

Event	Date
Cheddar Gorge – Year 3 & 4 Trip	Wednesday 25 th September 2019
Macmillan Coffee Morning	Friday 27 th September 2019 @ 9am
Big Pit – Year 5 & 6 Trip	3 rd October 2019 (Yr6) 10 th October 2019 (Yr5)
Café Church	Sunday 13 th October
Half Termly Reports Due Home	Monday 14 th October 2019
Parents Evening	Tuesday 15 th October 2019
Parents Evening	Wednesday 16 th October 2019
Year 3 Head's Lunch	Tuesday 5 th November 2019
Whole School Tempest Photos	Friday 8 th November 2019
Children in Need Day	Friday 15 th November 2019
Christmas Production	Tuesday 17 th December 2019
Christmas Production	Wednesday 18 th December 2019
Christmas Dinner	Thursday 19 th December 2019
Half Termly Reports Due Home	Friday 20 th December 2019
London Residential – Year 5	Tuesday 4 th – Friday 7 th Feb 2020
The Beacon Residential – Year 3	Monday 4 th – Wednesday 6 th May 2020
BANK HOLIDAY	Friday 8 th May 2020
Oceanfest – Year 6	Friday 19 th June
Heatree House – Year 6	Monday 22 nd – Friday 26 th June 2020

Please be advised that you will not have the details for all of the above events yet but they will follow in due course but you can be aware of the dates now!



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NOTICEBOARD



BIG breakfast



Please join us for
breakfast
in aid of
North Devon Hospice

venue: **Queen Anne's Café, Barnstaple**

date: **Saturday 19th October**

time: **9.00am – 11.30am**

**£6.00 for your delicious Big Breakfast
including tea/coffee- Vegetarian option too.**

**Please pop in or phone 01271 325232
to book your place and avoid disappointment.**

Kindly sponsored by



www.northdevonhospice.org.uk registered charity no. 286554



RAFFLE **CAKES**

**Kai's
FUN DOG SHOW**
21st September 2019
2pm

TEA & COFFEE

£1 entry

11 CLASSES TO ENTER

**Pilton Village Hall
21st September 2019
2pm**

Kai Chappell is busy fundraising for a trip to Uganda with the charity Amigos.
"Breaking the cycle of poverty for children in Africa and their family".



PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SHOP

We have a variety of pre-loved uniform now available
to buy at the school office.

Items include coats, jumpers, t-shirts etc.

All items are available at a low price of 50p – £1

Come & visit the pre-loved shop!

Life, Love & Learning to the Full



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

Café Church for all ages
in the School Hall

**Uganda & Harvest
Celebration**



Sunday 13th October

10.30am

All welcome, please join us