



AWLISCOMBE PRIMARY NEWS

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The next few days

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| Monday 8 th January | - Weight and Measure for Reception and Yr 6 |
| Tuesday 9 th January | - Maths Enrichment Master Class Yr 6 |
| Wednesday 10 th January | - |
| Thursday 11 th January | - Youth Speak Yr6 @ Honiton Community College |
| Friday 12 th January | - |

Message from the Headteacher

We have come to end our very busy autumn term, phew!!

I would like to say a huge thank you to those who came back and supported the Carol Concert. We were definitely down on numbers but that didn't stop our children singing their hearts out. It is a shame that we were missing children as collectively they worked together on making the service the best it could be. Having said that those that were there were just amazing and I was immensely proud of them. I also received some lovely comments from parents to say what a delightful Carol Concert it was. There is always something special about singing together especially at this time of year. The children also enjoy it when they see their family sing alongside them.

Our Christmas dinner was really delicious this year. I think it's the best it's been. The whole experience was so lovely, we were particularly grateful to our PTFA for all their help during lunch. Trying to get 100 children served with a hot Christmas dinner is no easy feat but with all the help available it went very smoothly. Thank you also to the PTFA for organising and paying for the Circus Bersercus show, the children absolutely loved it.

So now we have a couple of weeks off, please take it ease if you can. Enjoy the time together.

Father Christmas turned up yesterday much to the delight of all the children and staff. It was a magical end to the day. Thanks to the elf that organised it.

Best Wishes
Mrs Hammett

Star of the Week - Well Done To....

<u>Cygnets</u>	Kitty Howgill	
<u>Swans</u>	Sophie Puleston	
<u>Robins</u>	Samuel Roberts	Martha Keene
<u>Woodpeckers</u>	Lacey Beck	Isabelle Carrison
<u>Kingfishers</u>	James Quick	Harley Woodman

Achievement Celebrations

Parch - Noah Reed, William Pollard, Charlotte Greenland, Evie Stewart, Aston Prinsloo, Braken Atherton, James Quick, Aleisha Offer-Hoar.

Star of the Term - Jimmie Hellyer, Daisy Mae Williams, Luca Roberts-Mather, Jessica Summers, Harry Simmons, Freya Keene, Roseanna Trendell, Dylan Bastion.

100% Attendance - Bo Beeken, George Borner, Mabel Coombe, Bella Gates, William Pollard, Samuel Pollard, Rosie Summers, Dylan Vince, Tilly Beeken, Natasha Carrison, Elowen Meek, Beth Reed, Evie Stewart, Lacey Beck, Harry Simmons. Penelope Anning, Isabelle Carrison, Emily Greenland, Grace Pollard, Sophie Ramsamy, Aleisha Offer-Hoar, Finley Offer-Hoar, Harley Woodman.

Notices to Parents

Applying for Primary School Places

We are now inviting parents to apply for their Primary school place for 2018 for children born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014. The timescale for completing this is **15th November until 15th January 2018**. You can apply online at www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline.

Letters Sent

- DVD permission letter for Yr 5/6

Dates for the Diary

2016/17 Academic Year

- 5th Jan - Non pupil day
- 8th Jan - First day of term for pupils
- 8th Jan - Weight & measure Rec and Yr6
- 15th Jan - Make a musical play in a day
- 16th Jan - Maths Enrichment Masterclass Yr6
- 19th Jan - Film and PJ's night
- 22nd Jan - Gym Festival Yr3+4 @ Honiton Community College
- 22nd Jan - Maths Masterclass Yr5
- 23rd Jan - Maths Enrichment Masterclass Yr6
- 26th Jan - Kids Café
- 29th Jan - Quicksticks Hockey Yr 6
- 3rd Feb - Mexican Night
- 8th Feb - Tag Rugby Yr5/6
- 8th Feb - Rev Jane's final service and tea
- 12th - 16th Feb - Half Term
- 29th Mar - Last day of term for pupils
- 16th April - First day of term for pupils
- 7th May - Bank Holiday
- 28th - 1st June - Half term
- 4th June - Non pupil day
- 12th - 15th June - Residential
- 20th July - Last day of term for pupils

PTFA



The PTFA would like to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone for all your help and support in 2017. The Children benefit so much from every single penny we raise! I hope you all have a happy, healthy and peaceful Christmas. See you in 2018 for more fundraising fun. Nic Greenland

Events in the community

Ferne Animal Sanctuary

Christmas fair, santa's grotto, shopping evening, lunches. See website for more details
www.ferneanimalsanctuary.org

Church

The Christingle at Awliscombe Church is Christmas Eve at 3.00 pm all welcome, recorder players invited to join us to play Jingle Bells, please come early if you would like to rehearse.

Thank you.

Michelle Lucas

The Otter Inn Weston

It's officially December!! Let those Christmas parties begin!!

We have lots going on, Live Music every Friday night!! Starting tonight the 1st December! 8pm ish
Join us for mulled wine, festive hot drinks! And Mince Pies!

Every weekend colouring competitions for all the little ones visiting us! Prizes to be won!!

Our Christmas Quiz is coming up 5th December!! Book your team on 01404 42594

Boxing Day: we will be serving Lunch only, bar open till 6pm

NEW YEARS EVE!! come and enjoy an early meal before setting off for those NYE parties, children eat free with an adult meal ordered from our main menu, 9pm onwards we will pop some party tunes on and see the New Year in!

Come and celebrate this Christmas with us and receive a voucher for you to enjoy

Saints South West

Saints Southwest are running Soccer Schools during the Christmas Holidays with ALL Soccer Schools JUST £7.50 for a full course, 10am-3pm! Courses running in Paignton, Ottery St Mary, Plymouth, Langport, Taunton, Newton Abbot & Okehampton. Ages 7-12 can attend 10am-3pm. Ages 4-6 can attend 1.30pm-3pm.

Saints Southwest Soccer Schools offer exceptional value for money, and the opportunity for young players to improve their skills through a structured and enjoyable coaching programme devised and delivered by experienced and FA qualified coaches. The Soccer Schools are action packed days which allows children to learn new skills and improve match play whilst having fun.

To BOOK please visit www.saintssouthwest.co.uk or call 01803 206350

The Exeter Children's Orchestra (ECO) are having an Open Day on Saturday 20th January.

They can come along and join in from 10am - 12pm. We run a policy of "no scary auditions" and the music will be selected to enable everyone to join in and see if they like playing with a friendly children's orchestra.

For those newer to music, we also have a separate **Junior Orchestra** from 11am - 12pm, so it would be great to also see those not as confident come along and join in too! For those who are more experienced and higher up their grades - we have a **Youth Orchestra**.

Everyone will need to bring their instruments with them, and a music stand is always helpful!

We cater for Recorders, Flutes, Clarinets, Oboes, Saxophones (all kinds), Bassoons, Trumpets and Cornets, Tenor Horns, Baritone Horns, French Horns, Trombones, (Bass or Treble Clef), Tubas, Violins, Violas, Cellos, String Bases (including bass guitars) and Percussionists. We'd even be happy to see harpists! We will be serving refreshments, and we also run a tuck shop!

Contact us for more information - <https://www.facebook.com/exeterchildrensorchestra/>