



AWLISCOMBE PRIMARY NEWS

Newsletter 1 – 08/09/2017

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The next few days

Monday 11 th September	-
Tuesday 12 th September	- KS2 Cricket am
Wednesday 13 th September	-
Thursday 14 th September	-
Friday 15 th September	-

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents I would like to offer a warm welcome back to school. As much as I love the last day of the summer term I really look forward to the first one back. This autumn term start has been made all the more pleasurable knowing we had completed our Ofsted inspection before the summer.

On the subject of Ofsted, the report will be released very shortly and I can give a full feedback on the judgement made of the school.

This term we welcome a number of new pupils across the school and currently our school roll is 78 pupils with 15 in pre-school. Already that is an increase of 10 more children compared to this time last year.

Curriculum letters informing you of the planned teaching topics and the long term planning map will be coming home next week. This week the teachers are focussing on understanding and sharing classroom expectations and routines. The teachers have been working hard on building an exciting curriculum for the children this year and I know we have a number of exciting trips planned.

As always I would like to remind you that I might not always be visible but I am here if you need me for anything. Please ask Peta to make an appointment or drop me an email if it's more convenient.

I heard bad weather is here to stay for a few days now but I hope you all have a good weekend regardless of the rain. Good luck to all those entering the village vegetable show.

With Regards

Penny Hammett

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

Cygnets Jimmie Hellyer

Swans Bella Gates

Robins Yr1 Trudy Anning Yr2 Barnaby Puleston

Woodpeckers Yr3 Anna Skowronska Yr4 Isabelle Carrison

Kingfishers Yr5 Charlotte Maynard Yr6 Harley Woodman

Notices to Parents

Morning/Afternoon Routine

This is just to clarify the routine for the children coming in school.

Swans and Cygnets go straight to their classroom.

Robins will use the entrance by the side of the PE shed.

Woodpeckers go straight into their classroom.

Kingfishers come in through the external classroom door.

At the end of the day, Robins, Woodpeckers and Kingfishers will be taken out into the playground

For safeguarding reasons parents and carers should not be going into the boys or girls cloakroom.

Just a reminder, again for safeguarding, parent access is through the front and side of the school playground. Classrooms will be open at 8.45am, with registration at 8.55am. Children are late after 9.00am.

Snacks

KS1 children receive free fruit daily, but may wish to bring in their own healthy snack. Children in Kingfishers and Woodpeckers can also bring in a healthy snack. If you send your child in with grapes please ensure that they are cut in half.

Clothing

Please can all clothing including PE kits, Jumpers, t shirts, coats etc be labelled clearly with names. We have a huge amount of lost property in the hall. It is very difficult to reunite clothing with children if it isn't labelled.

Headlice

Unfortunately we have had some incidences of head lice reported throughout the school. Please make sure you check your child's hair and treat accordingly. Many thanks. If you would like a detailed leaflet about this please do ask in the office.

School Nursing Service Update

We have received the School nursing service update - the newsletter has lots of useful information and telephone numbers in it. Please go online at: www.devonintergratedchildrensservices/public-health-nursing

Parking

Just a little reminder, please could everyone park considerably (and legally) when dropping off or picking up. Pavements should be clear for pedestrians. There is car parking available behind the school as well as the village hall. Thank you.

Cheques

Cheques need to be made payable to Devon County Council and not to Awliscombe Primary School.

Swans and Cygnets

Please can you bring in a family photograph for our family board.

Letters Sent

- Matt Fiddes Martial Arts
- Primary Times
- Flu vaccinations
- Bike Ability Yr5
- Club letters will go out next week. They start on Thursday.

--Dates for the Diary

2016/17 Academic Year

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| 5 th Sept | - First day of Autumn Term for all children |
| 10 th Sept | - Awliscombe veg show |
| 12 th Sept | - KS2 Cricket am with Devon Cricket |
| 25 th - 28 th Sept | - Yr5 Bikeability @ Payhembury - letters have gone out, children will be doing 2 days only. These will be confirmed next week. |
| 5 th Oct | - PTFA AGM |

PTFA



Village Vegetable and Produce Show this SUNDAY 10th September, Awliscombe Village Hall

Come along, enjoy the show and refreshments, all profits will go towards school funds so please support us. It's open to the public from **3pm to 4.30pm** (no charge). We have had lots of entries so there will be loads to look at. If you can provide a raffle prize or a contribution

to the refreshments then please bring it along on the day.

www.MyNametags.com provide a wide selection of named stickers, sew-on and iron-on labels. Awliscombe Primary school is registered with them so if you use the **school id:28941** a fantastic 20% of the price is refunded directly to the school.

Don't forget everyone is invited to come to the PTFA's (Parent, Teachers and Friends Association) **Annual General Meeting at 7.30pm on Thursday 5th October**. The meeting will be held in the hall at Awliscombe Primary School. It is open to all, is a good opportunity to find out more about how we support the school and to meet other parents.

Governors

Events in the community

Awliscombe Harvest Supper

Friday 22nd September 7.00pm for 7.30pm.

Adults £7.00 Children £3.00.

Tickets must be booked in advance - call Sharon Thwaites 07748 966436

A night with the stars

Churchinford Village Hall, Taunton Road, TA3 7RG Saturday 23 September

For further information blackdownhills@devon.gov.uk

The Exeter Children's Orchestra (ECO) are having an Open Day on Saturday 16th September.

<https://www.facebook.com/exeterchildrensorchestra/>

Blackdown Hills

The Blackdown Hills have invited Woodpeckers and Kingfishers to view their artwork they made, on the 15th September at the Healthy Living Centre in Hemyock. Don't forget to let Daisi know how many will be attending. Email address is admin@daisi.org.uk by the 8th September.