

Newsletter – Friday 10th July

Dear Parents,

It has been wonderful to welcome Mrs Game back to school this week, following her maternity leave. Mrs Game has said that it is lovely to be back and working with the children again.

We also send our congratulations to Adam Northmore and his wife Katie on the safe arrival of their baby girl.

We're delighted to inform you that Mr Norton is on the road to recovery. We have spoken to him several times now and he is getting stronger with each phone call. His sense of humour is returning too...which is **possibly** a good thing! Unfortunately, he won't be back before the end of term, but is looking forward to returning in September.

Free School Meals

You may already be aware that the government announced recently that the Free School Meal supermarket vouchers will continue to be awarded to eligible children during the summer holidays. These vouchers are £15 per week per eligible child, and parents can choose from a range of supermarkets. We are aware that some parents may be facing a change in financial circumstances due to Covid-19. Devon County Council are still processing applications for free school meals – please visit <https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals> to see if your child would be eligible.

Collective Worship

The Collective Worship for next week is about the story of Daniel, and can be found here <https://youtu.be/79SvmCxuGcM>

There will be a service held at St Mary's, High Bickington on Sunday 12th July at 10.30am. You are welcome to attend – given the size of the building the church is confident they can accommodate those who wish to join in worship whilst maintaining social distancing requirements.

Primary Times

Normally at this time of year parents would be receiving a copy of 'Primary Times', which aims to give information and activities for children over the summer. As the distribution of printed copies is not possible this year, an e-newsletter has been set up – please visit <https://mailchi.mp/e6fba174f4c0/sign-up-to-the-primary-times-devon-newsletter> for more information.

Learning Heroes – some great work has been happening this week!

Special mention to:

All those in KS2 who have been sharing their wonderful work on zoom this week.



Well done to Harrison, Alfie, Millie, Karl, Jessica, Katie, Thomas and Charlie for keeping up with their Mathletics every week!

A special well done to Jacob who has completed ALL of his Mathletics for Year One with 100%

Well done to Eli for putting lots of effort into his learning attitude to ensure he always achieves his best.

Dylan, Karl, Alfie and Amelia S – well done for writing imaginative stories about the enchanted woodland.

Next week School Dinners:

Monday 13th Macaroni cheese with vegetables Chocolate cake and chocolate sauce	Tuesday 14th Beef burger in a bap with hash brown, baked beans and vegetables Ice cream and sauce	Wednesday 15th Roast dinner with roast potatoes and vegetables Fruit	Thursday 16th Bacon and cheese pasta bake with vegetables Fruit jelly	Friday 17th Fish and chips with vegetables Homemade biscuit
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Get free food and vitamin vouchers from the Healthy Start Programme

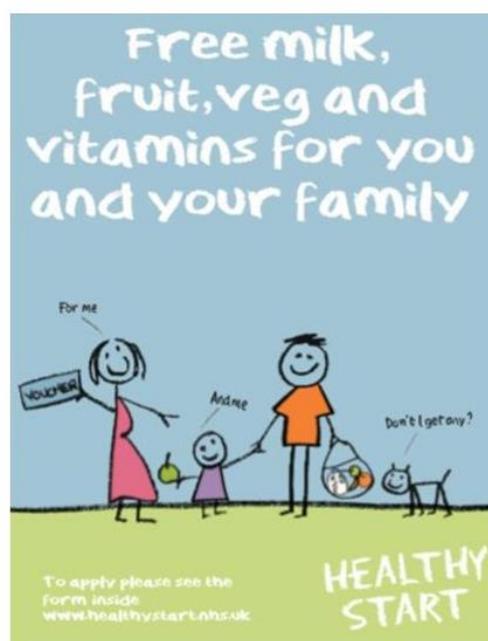
[Healthy Start](#) is programme to help families with young children get **free food vouchers** to spend on milk, plain fresh and frozen fruit and vegetables and infant formula milk. You can also get **free vitamins** for under 4's (vit A, C and D) and vitamins if you are pregnant (folic acid and vit C & D). Because we're indoors a lot of the time at the moment, we might not be getting enough vitamin D from sunshine so a vitamin D supplement will help.

If you have children under 4 or are pregnant, **and** you or your family receive qualifying benefits you may be eligible - you can quickly find out [here](#).

Applying is easy, you can print off an [application form](#) from the Healthy Start website and post it to the Healthy Start office.

Once you are **registered**, food vouchers are posted to you every 4 weeks and vitamin coupons every 8 weeks.

To make things easier at the moment, vitamins are currently being posted to families – please ask your midwife or Children's Centre for more information, or text your health visitor on 07520 631721



Gallery of Work...

It's a shame we can't fit everybody's pictures in every week – but please do keep sending them in, your teachers do love to see what you have been getting up to at home!

Class Two have been writing some wonderful stories this week. Can you spot yours?

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Part 2

They make loads of robots, the sabas were the best of them. Scientists made the robots turn over.



The scientist wanted all of the robots to help fill the woods with lava so he could kill all the animals.



The adventure of dumphy slaw

Once upon a time there lived a funny grumpy dragon named dumphy slaw. He is called dumphy slaw because he is really grumpy because he drops wings and sleep. He lives in a magical wood with Ellie the unicorn poppy the fairy and casper the slug. They have a fast river with fish in and the river is clear so you can see the pebbles and the fish. The trees are magical because the fairy's live in them and the blue glow swings for the fairy's. Casper the slug lives on the wing so no one got out in to the normal world and they all have a home in the magical woods where they must stay. But one day dumphy slaw was sad because something was going on dumphy slaw so he crossed the big but casper the slug came up and casper said don't cross the wing but dumphy slaw did not listen so he crossed the wing and in the normal world he was sad and was crying and he was sad and he got back and he got down and he was sad and he was sad and he was sad.

Once upon a time in a bright open glen, there lived a fairy called Buttercup. She has pink, silky wings, a light yellow party dress and has short black silky hair. She is best friends with Henry the slug and Rainbow the unicorn. Henry has rostrum, two horns and hat. He has long green clothes. He lives in a big, brown, mossy tree in the large windy woods. Rainbow is full with beautiful, colorful scales and has a horn. She has scales in her tail and mane. She has orange hooves. Rainbow likes to fly in the open sky, but Henry and Buttercup enjoy going on an exciting adventure. One day, Henry and Buttercup and Rainbow went with Henry and Rainbow in the woods. They decided they were going on a walk in the enchanted woods. They walked out of the woods through a hidden hole. Henry showed them a secret passage way to his house in the woods. When they got to the woods there were lots of colorful red, yellow, green and brown leaves. They made lots of big piles of leaves so they could jump in them. They had lots of fun and made lots of noise! So it was lunch time. They had a picnic in the woods, with jam sandwiches and lots of cake with cherries on them. It was really yummy! They were planning to go to Rainbow's house, so they went back through the secret passage way and kept on going along a muddy, long path. The weather started to change, it was getting windy and began to rain. They were walking over an old rickety bridge. Suddenly Buttercup fell on a plank and it broke! Buttercup went with it and she was very wet and scared.

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THE HOPE OF SPARROW AND THE WOOD PIGEON

One day there was a cosy nest. It got built down by a large tree. There were baby's house Sparrow's and wood pigeon and the mum and dad died.



Luckily that survived the winter. As they grew up they loved to experiment.

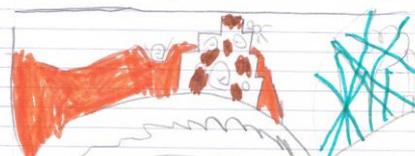


They make a new friend a magical fire fly that comes to life.

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Part 3

As a man started to spread the house sparrow like a shield.



he man is saved all of the animals they killed the scientist. he had no shell.



They live happily ever after.....

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The END

Buttercup was panicking and splashing her wings about. Henry and Rainbow were searching for something to help. Henry found a fat long stick. He reached it with it to Buttercup but it was not long enough. Rainbow had an idea to use her magical horn to make the stick longer. Henry put the stick on the floor. Rainbow touched the stick with her horn and it began to glow. The stick started to grow. When the stick was twice as long, rainbow took back up and her horn started glowing. Henry was amazed. Henry picked the stick up and reached it to Buttercup. This time it was long enough. Buttercup put her hands up and grabbed hold of the stick. Henry pulled with all his strength and got her out. Buttercup's wings were still very wet and she was freezing cold! Rainbow carried Buttercup home to her snuggly bed. Buttercup was sent to her bed to have some rest. A week later Buttercup was feeling a lot better and her wings were dry. Henry and Rainbow came to the wood to see Buttercup. Buttercup was excited to see her friends. She gave them a big hug and thanked them for saving her. The three friends went to play and find a new adventure.

TEAM VACANCIES

Required from September 2020



WITHERIDGE ACADEMY

TEACHING ASSISTANT POST- SEND PART-TIME

Required: from 1st September 2020

Hours per week: 17.50

Working weeks: 38 weeks (term time only)

Starting Salary: £9.55 per hour (Scale C)

Status: Fixed term contract linked to particular SEND pupil

Closing date: noon Friday 10th July 2020

Interviews: the following week

TEACHING ASSISTANT POST- SEND PART-TIME

Required: from 1st September 2020

Hours per week: 16.25

Working weeks: 38 weeks (term time only)

Starting Salary: £9.55 per hour (Scale C)

Status: Temporary Maternity Cover linked to particular SEND pupil

Closing date: noon Friday 10th July 2020

Interviews: the following week

TEACHING ASSISTANT POST – SEND FULL-TIME

Required: from 1st September 2020

Hours per week: 27.5

Working weeks: 38 weeks (term time only)

Starting Salary: TA post £9.55 per hour (Scale C)

Status: Temporary contract linked to particular SEND pupil

Closing date: noon Friday 10th July 2020

Interviews: the following week

GENERAL TEACHING ASSISTANT POST

Required: from 1st September 2020

Hours per week: 27.5

Working weeks: 38 weeks (term time only)

Starting Salary: TA post £9.55 per hour (Scale C)

Status: Permanent

Closing date: noon Friday 10th July 2020

Interviews: the following week

MEALTIME ASSISTANT

Required: from 1st September 2020

Hours per week: 3 minimum (3 x lunchtime shifts) This may be extended to 5 in future

Working weeks: 38 weeks (term time only)

Starting Salary: £9.00 per hour (Scale A)

Status: Permanent

Closing date: ASAP

Interviews: to be arranged

We are looking to recruit members of staff to join our workforce team to take up the above roles. These positions are being advertised separately; however, applicants are welcome to apply for any or all of the posts. Please indicate preferences on the application form.

If you are interested in applying for all or any of the above posts, please go to our website www.teamacademytrust.com and visit the vacancies page for further details and the application form.

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