

‘Encourage One Another and Build Each Other Up’

1 Thessalonians 5: 11

Thankfulness	Compassion	Perseverance	Forgiveness	Courage	Friendship
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Newsletter – Friday 16th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have enjoyed another week of hard work and learning at Witheridge Academy. We are all now fully immersed in our new topics and all the classes have produced some wonderful pieces of writing linked to their topics. We have been thinking a lot about giving purpose to our writing, which helps us to be brilliant writers. With this in mind, this week in Class 1, the children have been linking their writing to their Farm Shop and have been busily writing shopping lists and receipts. In Class 2, the children have taken on the role of becoming a Tourist Information Centre and have been writing reports to persuade visitors to come to Witheridge.

At Witheridge Academy, we want to encourage the children to build up the local community and to take an active role in keeping their communities safe. Therefore, Class 4 have been thinking about road safety this week, and they have been practising crossing the road safely outside school. As you are aware, our route out of school is through our big double gates, therefore please ensure that you are not parking in front of the school gates or in the bus stop as it makes it much harder for the children to cross the road safely.



After half term, we will be holding our Autumn Term Parent's Evenings. We have been figuring out the best way to do this across TEAM and we have decided that, in order to support social distancing, we will be holding virtual Parent meetings this term. At Witheridge, we have signed up to Parents Bookings. This is a fantastic resource which allows parents to sign up for 10-minute time slots online and then we can conduct the meeting through the same programme. More information about this will be sent to you in due course.

As always, if you have any questions or suggestions for the school, please contact us via the admin email address (admin@witheridge.devon.sch.uk).

Kind Regards,
Miss Ratcliffe

Secondary School Applications

Reminder to Year 6 Parents - Please ensure you complete your Year 6 child's application for Secondary school before the 31 October deadline. The easiest way to apply is online by visiting www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline If you do not wish to or can't apply online, you can contact customer service centre on 0345 155 1019.



It is never too early to book your child's place at our Preschool! Currently, we are full for Two Year Olds, and we anticipate that this will be the case for a few years to come. If you would like to talk to us about a Preschool place for your child, please contact us on 01884 860518.





**Celebration Assembly
 Well Done
 For receiving a
 Certificate of Achievement**



Work

Pre-School – Hunter – This week have been trying very hard to follow the boundaries within the setting. He has also been showing kindness to his younger peers by sharing and giving the toys that he has been playing with. Well done Hunter, keep up the good work.

Class 1 – Have had a great week thinking about Harvest. We have cooked vegetable soup and apple crumble.

Freddie – Has been trying really hard with forming his letters by starting and finishing in the right place and has even been doing some writing in his independent learning time in the afternoon, writing shopping lists and receipts when role playing in our farm shop!

Class 2 – Harry – For his FANTASTIC phonics – remembering all his sounds he has learnt so far. Harry is showing a brilliant attitude to his learning and working hard in all areas. He is building his learning power by thinking about what he is learning AND making links!

Class 3 – Harry V – For producing a fantastic poem and contributing brilliant ideas in discussions about river pollution. Harry has been applying his prior knowledge amazingly in all aspects of his learning the week. An overall fantastic attitude to learning and a perfect role model for the year 3's. Keep up the good work, Harry

Class 4 – Ava – For beautiful presentation of your work in your sketch book, especially the pages on the Artic and Antarctica. You have combined facts and images really effectively.

Discovery 7

Endeavour 6

Enterprise 5

Voyager 5

Flu Vaccinations

Flu Vaccinations are taking place in school on Friday 11th December. For Reception to Year 6 children, please book your child's space via this link:

<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2020/devon>



If you have any difficulties with completing the consent form please contact the Immunisation Team on our Single Point of Access (SPA).

Tel: 0300 247 0082 Email: vcl.immunisations@nhs.net

School Dinner Menu week commencing 19th October 2020

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Bacon & Leek Pie	Beef Burger in a bap	Roast Pork & Apple Sauce	BBQ Chicken	Fish in Breadcrumbs
Vegetarian	Tomato & Cheese Pizza	Veggie Burger in a bap	Vegetarian Roast	Broccoli & Cheese Bake	Cheese Omelette
Sides	Creamed Potatoes or pasta & Baked Beans	Potato wedges, baked beans & sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes, Mash Potatoes, Seasonal Veg & Gravy	Pasta, Salad & Coleslaw	Golden Fries, & Seasonal Veg
Dessert	Fruit & Yogurt	Angel Delight with fruit	Fruit Platter	Apple Crumble	Flap Jack

Breakfast and After School Club



Runs daily from 8am and 3.30-5.30 with Bobbie, Jayne and Laura and is available to Pre-School children as well as school children at the cost of £4.00 per child (Pre-School hourly rate dependant of age). Please pre-book sessions through the school office by emailing admin@witheridge.devon.sch.uk or alternatively phone 01884 860518.



If your child has:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of
smell or taste

This could be a sign of
coronavirus

Book a test

If your child has:
a runny nose, is sneezing or
feeling unwell
But they don't have:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in,
sense of smell or taste

These are
not normally symptoms of
coronavirus

Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial
111 or see your GP



Zip pull - Suggested Donation: 50p

Reflector - Suggested Donation: 50p

Silicon wristband - Suggested Donation: £1.00

Snap band - Suggested Donation: £1.50

Please Support The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Please support the Royal British Legion appeal - Poppy items available from the school office as of Monday.

Community News

A COMMUNITY HERITAGE AND ORAL HISTORY PROJECT



Telling Our Stories Finding Our Roots

Exploring the rich multicultural history of Devon

TIVERTON MUSEUM of Mid Devon Life
 BECK'S SQUARE, TIVERTON EX16 6PJ

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 FIRST FOUR FRIDAYS FREE. BOOK ONLINE / BY PHONE

1st OCTOBER - 31st OCTOBER 2020

www.tellingourstoriesdevon.org.uk

Exploring the rich multicultural history of Devon

Telling Our Stories, Finding Our Roots

Listening to History
 A talk exploring diversity in Tiverton's history from its early medieval origins to later visitors and settlers



Tuesday 20th October, 7 - 8.30 pm, Zoom.
 Join us on Zoom to hear more about the project's research discoveries.

Tiverton's history is deep and broad, taking in stories of refugees, ex slaves, entrepreneurs, farmworkers, entertainers and soldiers.

The project team will share a collection of stories from different periods, using the Tiverton Museum of Mid Devon Life archives to illustrate the wide range of people who have travelled to Tiverton from places such as the Americas, India, Slovenia, Italy, Vietnam, Kenya and Hong Kong.

Details of the full Telling Our Stories digital programme are available at: www.tellingourstoriesdevon.org.uk

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