



Autumn 2024 - Newsletter 5

Messages From Mr Hitchcock...



Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to remind everyone of the importance of good attendance and punctuality. We regularly check attendance and discuss any concerns with parents. So far this term, we've had 98 instances of lateness, which impacts both children and staff, so let's please work together to improve this.

Short notices

- Please remember to pass any morning **messages** to staff on the gate rather than walking into the classroom, as this helps us settle the children promptly.
- Each class will have its own **trip** this year, although it's not always possible to align them with year groups. Rest assured, every child will get an exciting educational outing.
- We're also looking for a copies of *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* if anyone has a spare!
- Have you signed up yet? I encourage you to read about the importance of a **smartphone-free childhood** on our website [here](#).
- Finally, as **Halloween** approaches, please make sure your children stay safe whilst out and about with the dark nights making road crossing more dangerous.

Don't forget movie night! You can pay on the door



Movie Night
Friday 18th October

Open to all years...
Winnie the Pooh Movie



- Doors open at 4.45pm (5pm start), movie finishes/pick up time 6.15pm.
- Parents/guardians are required to stay with children.

Open to year 1 and above...
Inside Out 2



- Doors open at 6.35pm (6.50pm start) movie finishes/pick up time 8.30pm.
- Parents/guardians of Year 1 & 2 children are required to stay.
- Movie PG rated.

Tickets £3 per child

Wear your PJs/onesies and bring your blankets.
Children's refreshments from 50p including popcorn, snacks & drinks.
Bar available for adults.

Books about managing big feelings - now in the library



1 - Here is Mrs Jones demonstrating where the books are - please take a read with your children! Very helpful for them to understand their feelings through a story.

Who's Who?



Mrs Sarah Beazer - Mrs Sarah Beazer has a number of roles at St Peter's. She is currently a TA in Cedar Class, HLTA in Apple Class and Clerk to the Governors. Her love for History was ignited by her favourite teacher, Mr Patterson, who inspired her with his engaging World War II lessons during Year 6. Outside of St Peter's, Sarah loves family walks with her dog, Otis, and curling up with a cup of tea and a good book - her particular favourites are 'Goodnight Mr Tom' by Michelle Magorian and 'The Kite Runner' by Khaled Hosseini. If granted a wish for the school, Sarah would employ more staff to ensure every child has 1:1 time with an adult and the interventions they need to thrive.

Parent Fundraising News

Hi all,

We've been busy getting started with the fundraising activities for the year, first with the ever popular Friday Cake & Uniform Sales, the first of which started with a very orderly queue before week two reverted to the 'getting served at the bar' technique, which we believe is a skill worth learning!

We also have the Movie Night this Friday screening Winnie the Pooh at 5pm and then Inside Out 2 at 6.50pm, with refreshments for adults too. See email/Whatapp messages for full details and how to book using the emailed form or at the cake sale. Cash sales on the door also. Thank you Year 3 parents for organising and running this.

In the last few weeks we have continued with the funding of Forest School and various teaching resources.

Thanks also to all that took part in the School's prize winning Budleigh Carnival entry, it was a really fun evening and there are plans already being made for next year.

After Half Term we have the PTA Annual General Meeting which we hope you can support and see how you can get involved. There are many opportunities to help through the year, with a team needing to be assembled for the upcoming Christmas festivities - let us know if you are able to help out via the Whatsapp group which you will be sent a link to shortly.

Catch up again soon, Thomas, Jess and the Parent Fundraising Team

Roblox and Screentime/online safety advice

Many parents have raised concerns about managing screen time, especially with games like Roblox. Here are a few helpful strategies:

1. Supervision and Engagement

Stay involved in your child's online activities. Playing games like Roblox together allows you to understand what they're exposed to and have conversations about staying safe online.

2. Setting Limits and Providing Alternatives

Setting time limits is crucial—many parents use a 15-minute daily limit or one hour on weekends. Offering alternative games or activities helps maintain a healthy balance and prevents one app from dominating screen time.

3. Encouraging Conversations About Safety

Open discussions about online safety are vital. Remind children to report or block inappropriate behaviour and to avoid interacting with strangers. Regular check-ins help reinforce these messages.

4. Watching for Emotional Changes

If you notice changes in your child's behaviour, such as increased anxiety or clinginess, it may be linked to their screen time. Encourage them to reflect on how the game makes them feel, and adjust access if it's causing distress.

5. Social Alternatives

If children feel left out because their friends use apps like Roblox, suggest other ways for them to stay connected, such as arranging playdates or shared activities that don't rely on screen time.

Assertive parenting means your involvement and ongoing discussions help children navigate their digital world safely while ensuring screen time remains balanced and positive.

Headteacher Awards



2 - Cracking David Hockney inspired art.



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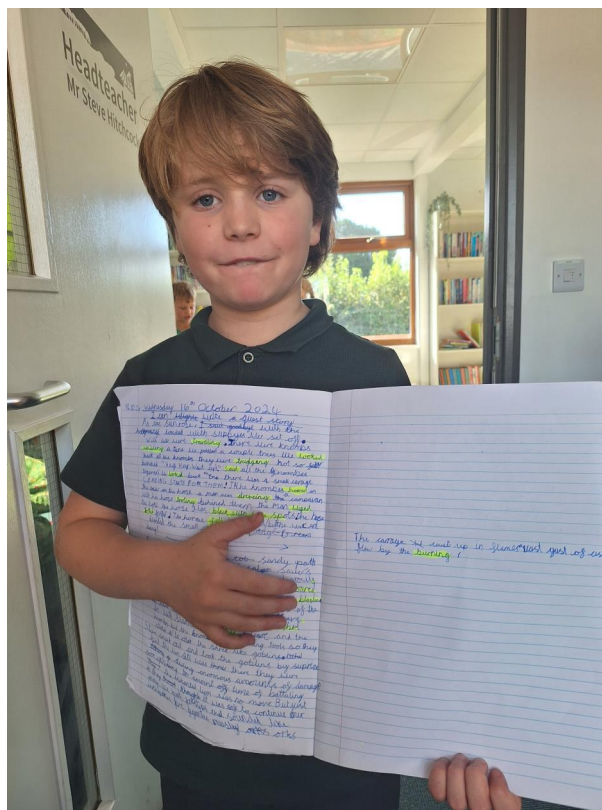
4 - Amazing art work - and team work!



5 - Looking after and caring for our school.



6 - Making medals and other things for the Little Red Hen's party in Reception

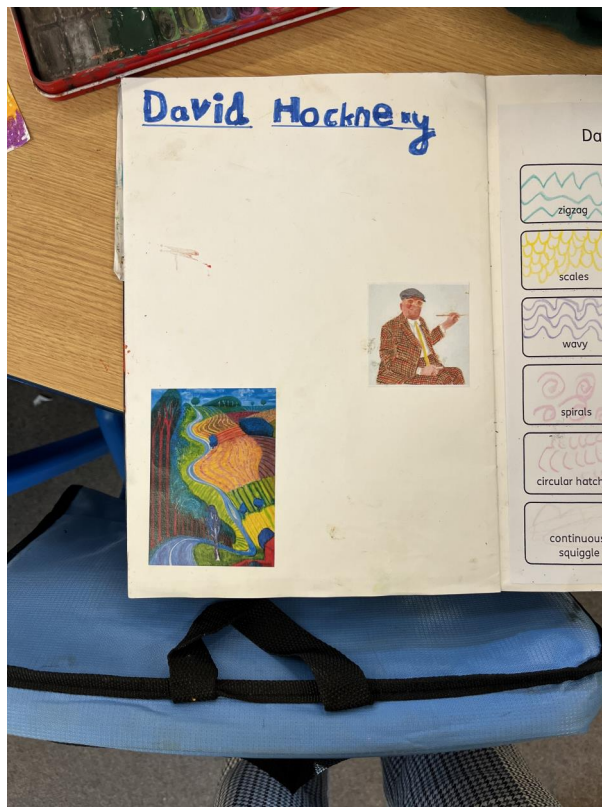


7 - Super writing effort - a lovely story

What's Been Happening In School...



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Pupil Celebrations...

Well done to...Jacob, Isla, Mia



17 - Well done to Jacob who took part in a swimming gala recently and won nearly all of his races, contributing to his club's success in winning the gala!



18 - Well done to Mia and Isla who both received top grading in a recent dance exam!



19 - Well done to Isla and Mia who took part in a performance at Barnfield Theatre recently !

Coming Up In The School & Community...

Budleigh Salterton AFC Youth
New Under 9 & 10s
 Calling boys and girls in school years 4 or 5

Free OPEN SESSION from 10:30am - 12pm
 Sun 13th Oct at Budleigh Salterton AFC
 with refreshments in the clubhouse after

Regular training/friendlies will be Sundays
 from 10:30am - 12pm, with us moving to
 Bickton College's artificial pitch for winter

Already playing at another club? No problem
 Join us for additional training and to make new friends

With league teams coming NEXT SEASON!

JOIN NOW

Call Ben on 07515 261831 or email
 ben.budleighyouth@gmail.com

£20
a month

COME & HAVE A GO!

Sidmouth Netball Club U11s have spaces available for girls in Years 5&6

Netball is the biggest female participation sport in the country so come along and give it a try, bring a friend and have some fun!

It doesn't matter whether you have played before or never stepped foot on a court.

If you would like to give it a try please come along for a **FREE TASTER SESSION!**

JOIN US:
Weekly training for U11s is on **TUESDAYS**
5:30-6:30pm
at St John's School in Sidmouth

Email sidmouthnetball@gmail.com for more information
Or visit www.sidmouthnetball.co.uk



Light Party

Fun, food and games

Thursday 31st October
5-7pm

For Primary Age children plus
parents or carers
Wear Sparkly clothes
Bring a plate of food to share

Temple Methodist Church
Fore Street, Budleigh EX9 6NG

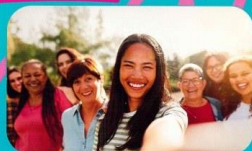
Organised by Churches Together in Budleigh

National Women's Register (NWR)

Regional Office Tel: 01603 655555

**BRINGING
WOMEN
TOGETHER**

New group starting in
Budleigh Salterton



AT NWR, YOU WILL FIND...

- CONVERSATION, FRIENDSHIP & FUN
- INFORMAL LOCAL GROUP MEET-UPS
- ONLINE MEETINGS & EVENTS

Contact Lizzy at

doorbars@btinternet.com

Scan the QR to find
out more or visit
www.nwr.org.uk/btinternet



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FIVE REASONS TO JOIN NWR TODAY!

1 FRIENDSHIP

You can look forward to building new and lasting friendships in one of our local groups or at regional and national events or join an online group or Facebook group and meet virtually!



2 CONVERSATION

Most group meetings are based around a specific theme which is the starting point for discussions. Sometimes the theme will be light-hearted, other times something more thought-provoking, but rest assured, we always have time for a chat!



3 FUN

There is a lot of fun to be had at NWR! Recently members have tried: beer pong, an Indian Chair dancing, drawing from nature, pottery, painting and murder mystery plays. So nothing just a few!



4 IN PERSON EVENTS

Larger national events such as the annual National Conference, the Telephone Taster Trail and the NWR Week are fantastic opportunities to meet new friends and to learn something new. Smiles and laughter are guaranteed!



5 ONLINE EVENTS

We also meet online! Join us for a superb variety of regular online talks and events. Or join our members-only Facebook groups - a safe place to engage with other members on a wide range of

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