

# HORWOOD AND NEWTON TRACEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

*Enabling children to be the best that they can be!*

**Friday 26th April 2024**



Dear parents and carers,



We have had a wonderful week with lots of learning, and all of our lunch times spent at the field making the most of the brighter weather.

The highlight of our week was our visit from 6X Freestyle Kayak World Champion Ottillie Robinson-Shaw. In a school assembly, Ottillie explained her route into kayaking and some of her most exciting experiences including riding raging waves in powerful rivers all over the world. It was an inspirational talk and the children asked some great questions. Ottillie talked about embracing failure, and the importance of using your mistakes to learn and grow. She also spoke about finding a sport or activity that you love, eating healthy and spending time outside as well as the importance of working hard in school and learning other languages.

Ottillie also ran a fun-filled fitness session with each class, and everyone had a good work out! Thank you to everyone who helped raise sponsorship money. Thanks to your efforts we raised £1160.50. This is a huge boost and will help create a better learning outdoor space that we can use in all weathers. Well done everybody!

This week we also launched our logo competition for the new community library, 'Lovacott Little Library', that will open soon (please see poster later in newsletter for more details). This is an exciting moment for our community and will further help our children to find their love of reading. The importance of reading cannot be overstated, and there is lots of research around how reading for pleasure is a significant indicator for positive outcomes in later life, as well as how reading everyday benefits everyone's mental health.

Thank you to the Parish Council for involving us with the launch of the library. The competition for the logo was launched in Family Groups and we have had several entries already! Designs for the logo need to include the name: 'Lovacott Little Library', can be created using any medium the children wish and are to be submitted on A4 paper by 14th May.

Have a lovely weekend, Mr Hick

# What's on next week?

**W/C 29th April 2024**

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>ART after-school club: 3.30pm - 4.15pm</b> <b>Class 4 PE (athletics &amp; rounders) - please come to school wearing PE kit</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>COOKING after-school club: 3.30pm - 4.15pm</b> <b>Year 3 PE (athletics &amp; cricket) - please come to school wearing PE kit</b> <b>Year 4 - Forest School - please come to school wearing Forest School kit</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>Class 2 PE (athletics &amp; batting and fielding- please come to school wearing PE kit</b> <b>Caffyn's Farm Visit (afternoon) - selected children</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>SATS BOOSTER after-school session - all year 6 children encouraged to attend, please let us know if your child is not going to attend. 3.30pm to 4.15pm</b> <b>Nursery - Forest School</b> <b>Class 1 - Forest School</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>Class 1 will be doing a full change for PE on Friday afternoons, although they may need kit any day weather permitting.</b>

## Payment Reminders



### Breakfast Club payments this half-term

We have a number of outstanding payments for Breakfast Club this half-term and would be grateful if parents could settle their bills as soon as possible. Thank you for your understanding.

**School dinners - reminder to pay in advance for school meals**

### Year 6 Bude Residential

Instalment payments are now due, links are available on your Parentpay accounts. Thank you for your understanding

## Celebrating children's learning successes

### TEA AT TWO

This week, Tea at Two is awarded to:

Class 1: Theodore and Isla

Class 2: Taddy and Nico

Class 3: Joseph and Isaac

Class 4: Alex

for behaving exceptionally in school this week



### PRESENTATION HERO

This week, our Presentation Hero award goes to:

Penelope (Class 1), Ziggy (Class 2), Thomas S (Class 3), Martha (Class 4)

Our Presentation Hero is awarded to children across the school each week who always present their work carefully



## Celebrating children's sporting successes



Flo - earnt her green and blue certificates from gymnastics!



Eben- took part in a football tournament at the weekend and won!



Carter - took part in a rugby tournament at the weekend. Well done Carter!



Charlie- Charlie completed his grade 1 piano and level 9 trampolining. Great work Charlie!

# CLASS NEWS THIS WEEK

## Class 1

Class 1 have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. The Very Hungry Caterpillar has been helping us learn the days of the week.



## Class 2

This week, we went out on a science walk around the school and field to identify different trees and plants that we have been learning about in science. I was very impressed with the knowledge and enthusiasm everyone showed during the walk, along with the amount of trees and plants that were identified!



## Class 3

This week, class 3 have been learning about frictional forces in science with Mrs Webb. We used the Barbie car to talk about how friction slows it down when it has been pushed along the carpet. We also talked about how people who are using skis want to limit the amount of friction there is slowing them down.



## Class 4

Class 4 thoroughly enjoyed Ottillie's visit on Thursday afternoon - with lots of different types of physical activities undertaken.



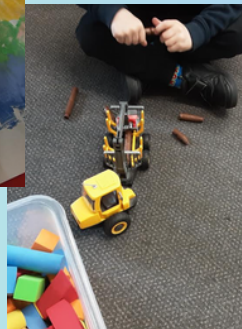


# Nursery

We have been learning about the life cycle of the butterfly 🦋



## Breakfast Club



## Celebrating our Pupil Voice

**Martha:** BC is a fun place because you get to spend time with your friends.

**Charlie:** Sometimes we get 'special' breakfast!

**Lily:** I enjoy using the craft area so I can make stuff

**Charlie C:** I like playing with the tractors

**Bella W:** I really like the arts and crafts because you can make nice things

# AS A REMINDER....

## CHANGE TO PROVISIONAL SPORTS DAY DATES

Please be aware that due to an unforeseen circumstance, we have changed our provisional sports day dates, as follows:

**Tuesday 4th June (provisional option 1)**

**Tuesday 11th June (provisional option 2)**

KS2 competitive sports day will start on the field at 10.45am. Class 3 and 4 parents are welcome to come and watch.

In the afternoon, there will be a family group Sports Day and all parents are invited to come and cheer their children on. This will start at 1.15pm.

We are hoping to make some kind of refreshments available for parents, but this is to be confirmed.



## CONTACTING THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Emails are monitored between **7.40am - 3pm** (Mon to Thurs) and between **7.40am - 12.20pm** (Friday)

If you need to speak to someone urgently please call the school number 01271 858373. If no one answers, please leave a message and someone will contact you as soon as they can.

## SCHOOL TERM DATES 2023/2024

### Summer Term

**First Day: 15th April 2024**

**Bank Holiday: 6th May 2024 (school closed)**

**Half-term: 27th-31st May 2024 (school closed)**

**First Day: 3rd June 2024**

**Last Day: 23rd July 2024**

# Lunch menu W/C 29th April 2024

Our meal price is £2.50 per day for Class 3 and 4 children. Classes 1 and 2 children qualify for Universal Free School Meal funding.

Jacket Potatoes with a choice of toppings are available every day.

Fresh fruit, salad & wholemeal bread are available daily. Gentle reminder: we are a nut free school.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Meat/ Fish	Fish Fingers or Salmon Fishcakes	Sweet Chilli Chicken Fajitas	Hot Dog/Sausage & Pasta	Roast Gammon	Ham/Tuna Panini or Roll
Vegetarian	Veggie Fingers/Filled Jacket Potato	Veggie Fajita/Filled Jacket Potato	Veggie Sausage/Filled Jacket Potato	Veggie Burger/Filled Jacket Potato	Cheese Panini/Filled Jacket Potato
Side	Chips/Pasta/Baked Beans/Sweetcorn	Potato Wedges/Sweetcorn	Spaghetti Hoops/Sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes/Vegetables/Gravy	Garlic Potatoes/Salad
Dessert	Chocolate Cake & chocolate sauce/Fruit Bowl/Yoghurt	Banana Muffins/Fruit Bowl/Yoghurt	Swiss Crumble & Custard/Fruit Bowl/Yoghurt	Ice Cream & Fruit Jelly/Fruit Bowl/Yoghurt	Chocolate Cracknell/Fruit Bowl/Yoghurt

## Can you help us.....



The Friends of HNTPS are putting on a Bingo night next term – we will be announcing dates and times shortly!!

In readiness for this we are looking for donations of **Raffle Prizes** for the event – if you have any unwanted gifts from Christmas or have a spare box of chocolates or bottle of wine you would like to donate – all items would be gratefully received.

Please send any raffle donations into school.

Thank you in advance for all your support.

*Friends of HNTPS*





# Celebrating our visit from Ottillie Robinson Shaw - Champion Freestyler Kayaker



Thank you and well done to all our children for raising funds for our new outdoor classroom!! Amazing work!!





# Community Information



## PLAY CRICKET

COME ALONG AND ENJOY  
LOCAL CRICKET WITH YOUR FRIENDS

**NORTH DEVON CC**  
JOIN US FOR TRAINING ON MONDAY EVENINGS  
CONTACT: SIMON WRIGHT - SIMONWRIGHTS@HOTMAIL.CO.UK

**NEWTON TRACEY CC**  
JOIN US FOR TRAINING ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS  
CONTACT: GRAHAM MOORE - GRAHAM.MOORE62@BTINTERNET.COM

**BIDEFORD, LITTLEHAM & WESTWARD HO! CC**  
JOIN US FOR TRAINING ON FRIDAY EVENINGS  
CONTACT: ANNE STONE - ANNE@LITTLEPEBBLES.CO.UK

**HOLSWORTHY CC**  
JOIN US FOR TRAINING ON FRIDAY EVENINGS  
CONTACT: DAN MARKS - HOLSWORTHYCRICKETCLUB1873@GMAIL.COM



## It all starts with...

Sign up today at  
[allstarscricket.co.uk](http://allstarscricket.co.uk)

**DYNAMO CRICKET**

Calling all 8-11  
year-olds!  
Sign up today at  
[dynamocricket.co.uk](http://dynamocricket.co.uk)

**This is our game.**

Martin Brice  
North Devon Club &  
Community Coach

"Cricket is a game for everyone"  
"We are committed to ensuring that cricket is accessible,  
safe, and welcoming to all those participating, whether  
they be players, spectators, volunteers, officials, coaches  
or those working on behalf of Devon Cricket".

07939 015663 01302 262589 martin.brice@devoncricket.co.uk

Alverdiscott Community Hall

## BIG BREAKFAST

Sunday 5th May

From 9.00am to 1.00pm  
Adults £10, under 10s £5



All profits raised go to  
North Devon Hospice



## Lovacott Little Library

HLNT Parish Council are creating a community library, bringing people together through books and belonging!

Our Community Library is all about making friends and sparking curiosity. We're here to fight loneliness and celebrate connections, whether you're a young bookworm or a seasoned reader.

We are looking for volunteers and seeking donations of used books to fill our little library.

We are planning for the library to be run once a month every first Monday at Lovacott Village Hall, starting on Monday the 2nd of June 2-3pm.

Please drop off any book donations at HLNTs and if you are interested in volunteering, please contact HLNT Parish Council's clerk Sue Squire on 01598 710026 or [hlandntparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:hlandntparishcouncil@gmail.com)