



**SUPERSTAR CERTIFICATES** – Friday 30 November Alexis Pengilley, Elijah Summers, Elliott Jennings, Millie Hatfield, Marty Stafford, Imogen Armitage, Ruben Taylor, Amelie Haste, Audrey Hooper, Jaxon Short, Harvey Barker, Taylor Hort, Jacob Haste, Austin Child, Millie Underwood, Lillie Wood, Izzy Duncan, Daniel Moore, Olivia Mitchell, Eva Mear  
Friday 7 December Mia Wilkinson, Alexander Webster, Ben Waite, Francesca Hancock, Jessica Howard, Tammy Armitage, Ryan Ireland, Jazmin Richardson, Layla Harris, Josh Granville, Katelyn Saxby, Evelyn Arnold, Matthew Shipton, Georgia Biscombe, Finn Lloyd, Tansy Allen-Waldron, Owen Moore, Jamie Miller, Oliver Jones, Emma Billson, Georgie English, Charlie Farmer.



**A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER** - As the autumn term draws to a close, I am delighted with the progress that the children have made in their learning. Our children in KS1 and Year 3/4 have made us so proud this week by being brave and performing with such confidence; I am looking forward to the reception show next week! Woodlands Park is such a positive and hardworking community and I am very proud to be part of it. I wish you all a fantastic festive holiday and hope that you have a wonderful 2019.

**MRS PIPE** - Next week, the children and staff will be showing Mrs Emma Pipe how much we will miss her and how grateful we are for everything she has done for our community. Despite only working with Mrs Pipe for two terms, I have seen and experienced what an inspirational leader she is. I know that so many of you have worked closely with Mrs Pipe in recent years, either in her role as a class teacher or school leader and I know from speaking to many of you the positive impact that she has had on your children. Topsham Primary School are lucky to have her and we all wish her the very best for her future. **Steve Bone.**



**MATHS** - We have had an exceptionally busy maths term at Woodlands Park. After starting the year with Jo Boaler's Week of Inspirational maths in KS2, children in KS1 and KS2 then started to use our fantastic new maths resource call 'Maths No Problem.' This term, Mrs Hunter, our maths coordinator has led a number of training sessions in school and across the other MAT schools. Additionally, Miss Sansom and Miss Walker have started a research project into maths mastery in the foundation stage and Mrs Hunter and Miss Doe are collaborating with two maths hubs to develop

maths mastery. Mrs Hunter has been accepted to train as a Professional Development Lead for the National Centre of Excellence for Teaching Mathematics! Over the last week, Woodlands Park has welcomed teachers from the maths hub to observe teaching and learning at Woodlands. This week, our CEO, Rob Haring, visited the school with WeST's secondary head teachers to look at the principles of primary maths teaching and was very impressed with what he saw!

**CHESS** - This term, the year 5 and 6 children have all developed their thinking skills by learning to play chess. After practising in school, all children played in a chess ladder which eventually led to 16 children qualifying for the finals competition. After a number of knockout rounds, Iwan was the Plate competition winner with Oscar the runner up and in the Cup competition, Harry was the overall champion and Kian as runner up. Well done to all year 5 & 6.



**SAVE THE DATE** – Open Morning on **Monday 14 January** from **8.45 – 10.15 am**. Session 1 will be a presentation by Mr Bone – My Vision for Your Children. Session 2 will be an opportunity to visit classrooms and see the progress your child/children made in the Autumn Term.



**CHOIR CAROL SINGING** – Thank you to all the children from both KS1 & KS2 choirs who attended Famous Lee Mill & Ivydene Care Home to sing carols with Mrs Foley. We had a fabulous turn out at both events. The children sang a selection of carols beautifully and enthusiastically. Parents and relatives in the audience commented on the high quality singing. A big thank you to Neil Bailey for playing the piano.

## On Thursday 20 December menu choices are Fish Fingers & Chips or Cheese & Bean Pasty & Chips

**PRIMARY APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 2019** - If your child's date of birth falls between 01 September 2014 and 31 August 2015 you can apply online from Thursday 15 November until 15 January 2019 at <http://new.devon.gov.uk/admissions/> for a Reception place in September 2019. The 'Next Steps' booklet and applying online link is also available via the school's website. Any queries please contact the Admissions team at Devon County Council on Tel: 0345 155 1019 or make contact with the school office who are more than happy to help.

**CONSULTATION ON ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR STATE FUNDING SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2020/21** - You are invited to consider the arrangements proposed by Devon County Council from **1 November 2018 to 4 January 2019**. To view the proposals and to make comments on them, please visit: [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements) or call My Devon on 0345 155 1019 for a paper version.



### WPFA NEWS

**NEXT EVENT** – The Christmas Fayre will be held after school at **3.15 – 5.00 pm** on **Monday 17 December**.

Don't forget to wear mufti to school and bring in the following donations for the tombola's.

Foundation/KS1 – chocolates

Year 3/4 – cakes/biscuits – due to nut allergies, please check any donations don't contain nuts – thank you

Year 5/6 – bottles – please hand any alcoholic drink to the office

## DIARY DATES

### December 2018

Monday 17 December  
Tuesday 18 December

Mufti Day & WPFA Christmas Fayre – 3.15 - 5.00 pm  
Dental Talk to Year 1/2  
Foundation Nativity – 2.15 pm  
Christmas Carol Service at Ivybridge Methodist Church – 6.00 – 7.00 pm  
Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day, followed by class parties  
Last Day of Autumn Term

Wednesday 19 December  
Thursday 20 December

### January 2019

Monday 7 January  
Monday 14 January  
Friday 11 January  
Thursday 17 January

First Day of the Spring Term  
Open Morning with Mr Bone – 8.45 – 10.15 am  
Year 3/4 Roman Day – letter to follow  
KS1 Theatre Trip to see The Gingerbread Man –  
Year 5/6 Indoor Athletics at ICC – details to follow  
Year 5/6 Trip to the Aquarium - TBC  
Governors Meeting  
Year 5/6 Basketball Event at ICC – details to follow

Wednesday 23 January  
Thursday 24 January  
Thursday 31 January

### February 2019

Thursday 7 February  
Friday 8 February  
Tuesday 12 February  
Monday 18 February  
Monday 25 February

Year 3/4 Indoor Athletics at ICC – details to follow  
Year 2 & 5 Fire Talk  
Netball Event at ICC – details to follow  
HALF TERM  
First Day back of second half term



### March 2019

Thursday 14 March  
Tuesday 19 March  
Tuesday 26 March  
Thursday 28 March

Indoor Athletics Yr 4/5/6 at ICC – details to follow  
Gym & Dance Show – details to follow  
Year 3/4 Tag Rugby at ICC – details to follow  
Cross Country Finals at Paignton – 9.30 – 3.30 pm – details to follow

### April 2019

Tuesday 2 April  
Wednesday 3 April  
Friday 5 April

Year 5/6 Tag Rugby at ICC – details to follow  
Tempest Class Photos  
Last Day of the Spring Term