

**Newsletter – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November**

Thank you so much to all of you for supporting High Bickington's 'Bring a Bear' day. We had great fun with the bears and raised over £125 for Children in Need.

This Friday will be a non-uniform day in exchange for whatever donation you would like to give as we want to support 'Just One Tree' – a climate change organisation. As they say on their website, "It's simple, we plant trees for you. It costs £1 per tree. The tree absorbs CO2 and makes the world a better place." Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November is Just One Tree's nationwide non-uniform day – please help us to support it and to help our planet.

**Rob Norton**

**Kent's Cavern Trip**

Information about these trips has been sent out – please ensure that the consent information is completed on ParentPay by Friday. Thank you.

**Christmas Performance**

This year we will be having a performance of a Nativity and traditional Christmas Songs on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, at 2.00pm in the Church. Families and friends are welcome to join us for this celebration.

**Drum Kit Lessons**

Thank you to all those parents who got in touch about drum lessons. Lessons are now fully booked, but there will be a waiting list so please ask Miss Trofa or Mrs Goss to add you to this if wanted. The lesson timetable will be put on the noticeboard in the archway today.

**Week Commencing: 26/11/19**

Monday: Kent's Cavern – Class 1 & 2  
Chess Club  
Tuesday: Kent's Cavern – Class 3 & 4  
Netball Club  
Wednesday:  
Thursday: Y5/6 Athletics SMCC  
KS2 Sports Club  
Friday: Lunchtime Choir Club

**Happy Birthday!**

Happy birthday to William H for the 24<sup>th</sup> and Shania for the 26<sup>th</sup>.

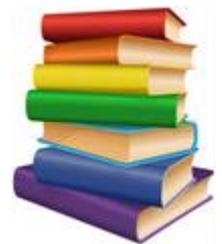


**Scholastic Book Fair**

This year, the PTA will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair in the Church Hall on the following dates:

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2.30 – 4.00pm  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 3.30 – 4.30pm

With a wide variety of books starting from £2.99, we hope there will be something to interest everybody. Payment is required by cash or cheque. The school will receive a commission on books sold.



**Reading Stars!**

**Class One – Elsie** for growing in confidence with her reading.

**Class Two – Amaya** for reading many words on sight and reading with more fluency.

**Class Three – Berta** for having a love of reading and making sure she understands the text throughout.

**Class Four – Lucy** for being a keen reader and for demonstrating good comprehension skills.

**Stars of the Week!**

**Class One – Evelyn** for her organisation and leadership skills, especially during PE.

**Class Two – Harrison** for becoming a keen learner and pushing himself to achieve his best.

**Class Three – James** for his focus and enthusiasm towards his learning especially in maths.

**Class Four – Adam** for working hard to improve content and presentation in Maths and English



To be presented on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 10.15am in the Church

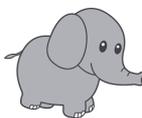
## What happened at school this week?

These questions are about what has been happening in each class this week and are designed as 'conversation starters' for you to use with your child. We hope that they will provide a useful prompt to encourage conversations about school - talking for just three minutes each day about school has been shown to have a great impact on children's learning!



### Learning Lions

- Can I recognise one more than and one less than?
- Can I write a simple letter?
- Can I show a symmetrical and asymmetrical shape using my body?



### Exploring elephants

- Which 3D shapes can you find around your house?
- Can you write a biography about yourself or a family member?
- Can you share love, peace and joy in preparation for Advent?



### Inventive Impalas

- Show someone at home how to use the SWM with remainders.
- What food did Stone Age people eat, how did they gather the food?
- What ingredients do you think are needed in your recount?



### Challenging Cheetahs

- What was life like for a miner at the Big Pit?
- Can you talk about our new method for learning/revising times tables?
- How are you using your 'sketch book'? How is it going so far?

## Home Activities and Homework Tasks

**Class One** – Reading.

**Class Two** – Reading, Year One and Year Two spelling practise

**Class Three** – New days – weekly Reading for Pleasure chart to be handed out on Friday and returned the following Friday. Multiplication tables and spellings test (Friday). Guided reading comprehension (Friday)

**Class Four** – Reading. Learn / revise all x tables from 3 to 9. Prepare for Learning in Depth on Friday.

## Meals W/C 25/11/19

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Beef burger in a bap, potato wedges, baked beans & sweetcorn Iced sponge	Tomato & cheese pasta bake, crusty bread and mixed vegetables Chocolate brownies	Roast gammon, roast or creamed potatoes & seasonal vegetables Fruit platter	Chicken with BBQ sauce on the side, pasta salad & coleslaw Eves pudding & custard	Fish bites, golden fries & seasonal veg Oaty Raisin Cookies

## TEAM VACANCY

### 2 x TEACHING ASSISTANT POST – SEND – Witheridge C of E Academy

**Required:** as soon as possible

**Hours per week:** Post 1: 16.25

Post 2: 13.75

**Working weeks:** 38 weeks (term time only)

**Starting Salary:** £9.55 per hour (Scale C)

**Status:** Fixed term contracts linked to particular SEND pupils

**Closing date:** noon 27<sup>th</sup> November 2019

**Interviews:** to be arranged

The appointed persons will work in close partnership with the relevant class teachers and will help to support individual pupils to engage with their learning. In-service training will be provided where appropriate.

TEAM Multi-Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and expects all its staff and volunteers to share this commitment. A DBS check will be undertaken and references taken up before interview. An application form should be fully completed; we do not accept cv's.

Full details and application form can be found on our website [www.teamacademytrust.com](http://www.teamacademytrust.com) or the Devon jobs website [www.devonjobs.gov.uk](http://www.devonjobs.gov.uk) Application should be hand delivered, posted or emailed to Caroline Tucker [vacancies@team-mat.org.uk](mailto:vacancies@team-mat.org.uk)



YOU'RE INVITED TO HIGH BICKINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL'S PTA...

# BIG BREAKFAST

SATURDAY  
23RD  
NOVEMBER

9 - 11.30

@

ATHERINGTON  
PAVILLION



ADULTS  
£6

CHILDREN  
£4

ALL WELCOME

AT UMBERLEIGH VILLAGE HALL the  
FRIENDS OF UMBERLEIGH SCHOOL,

INVITE YOU TO AN EVENING OF

# LINE DANCING

FAMILY FUN SESSIONS, LED BY

DEVON DANCING



LICENSED  
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FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOV : 5.45  
ONWARDS  
ADULT TICKETS £ 7.50  
CHILD TICKETS £ 4.00

INCLUDES  
HOT DOG &  
PUDDING.

\* CHECK SHIRT, HAT & BOOTS OPTIONAL. \*