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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Tennis Tournament**

Well done to all of the children who took part in the tennis tournament at Tarka Tennis this week; they had a brilliant time and showed great sportsmanship.



### **P.F.T.A. Class One Cake Sale**

Thank you to everyone for their generosity, the Class One cake sale raised £32.35.

A reminder for those who shop online: you can raise funds for the school through [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk), our cause name is *Goodleigh Primary PFTA*.

### **Class Four, Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October, *An Elephant in the Garden* Performance at the Plough Arts Centre**

On Monday Class Four children will be watching a performance of *An Elephant in the Garden* adapted from Michael Morpurgo's novel. The children will be returning to school before 3.30 pm.

### **Years 3-6, Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October, Stephen's Shield Cross Country, Torrington**

Children in Years Three to Six will be taking part in the annual Stephen's Shield Cross Country event held at Torrington Rugby Club. Your child will need to be at the Village Hall at 8.20 am. They will need their P.E. kit, a waterproof coat, a snack, plenty of non-fizzy drinks and their school uniform to change into once back at school. We will be returning to school before lunch.

## **After School Clubs**

Please note that there will not be a music club for children in Key Stage One on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October.

Permission slips for the after school clubs for next half term will be issued next week. There will not be any after school clubs during the week commencing Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

### **Class One, Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, Trip to R.H.S. Garden Rosemoor**

On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November Class One will be visiting Rosemoor Gardens in Torrington. Your child will need a waterproof coat and a packed lunch with a non-fizzy drink. We will be leaving and returning during the school day, further transport details will follow.

### **Class Four, Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, Trip to Bristol**

The children will be taking part in an Ancient Greek artefacts workshop at Bristol Museum in the morning. In the afternoon they will be watching a West End Musical performance of *Billy Elliott* at Bristol Hippodrome. Your child will need to bring a coat, a packed lunch, a packed tea and plenty of non-fizzy drinks.

Please ensure that your child is at the Rose Lane Tesco Supermarket bus stop opposite the walk way to the St John's Garden Centre at **7.50 am**. The children will return to the Rose Lane Tesco Supermarket bus stop at approximately 7.45 pm.

### **Years 2-4, Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November, *Behind the Curtain* Workshop with the Royal Opera House at the Landmark Theatre**

Further information will be provided next week.

## **Public Health England - Measles**

We have received information from Public Health England regarding the circulation of measles in many areas across the country; please find a message for parents and carers attached.

**Please remember that Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October are non-pupil days.**

Kind regards,



Kate Grant

Head of Teaching and Learning

## Diary Dates

Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Years 5 & 6 - High 5 Netball Tournament, Park School, from 9.45 until approx. 2.30pm
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Class 4- <i>An Elephant in the Garden</i> Performance at The Plough
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Years 3-6 Cross Country, Torrington Rugby Club Class 2 P.F.T.A. Cake Sale after school
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Non-Pupil Days
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Back to school Years 1-3 Flu Vaccinations
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October - Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>No After School Clubs for this week</b>
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Class 1 Trip R.H.S. Gardens Rosemoor P.F.T.A. Meeting at 3.30 pm
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Class 4 Trip Bristol Museum and West End Musical Performance of <i>Billy Elliott</i> at Bristol Hippodrome
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Years 2-4 <i>Behind the Curtain</i> workshop with the Royal Opera House at the Landmark Theatre Class 3 P.F.T.A. Cake Sale after school
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Class 4 P.F.T.A. Cake Sale after school
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Whole School Theatre Alibi Performance of <i>The Boy Who Climbed into the Moon</i>
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 1 Multi-Skills at Pilton Community College
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 2/3 Evening Christmas Performance
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 4-6 Evening Christmas Performance
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Assembly Service - Last Day of Term

Please note that Class One's Christmas Performance date will be confirmed after half term.



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#### Message for Parents and Carers:

You may be aware that measles is circulating in many areas across the country; there continues to be cases in many parts of the South West. Transmission is occurring most in areas with a lower uptake of MMR vaccine; in particular parts of Devon, Somerset and Dorset. The majority of cases are of secondary school age but people of all ages are being affected. Following an outbreak in South Devon in the summer we continue to see the majority of our cases in Devon.

Measles is a highly infectious viral illness spread through coughing and sneezing and close personal contact. Most people feel very unwell but do recover completely from measles, however, on rare occasions there can be serious complications.

The first stage of measles includes a runny nose, conjunctivitis (red eyes), a cough and an increasing fever that comes and goes. A rash appears on day 3 or 4 while the individual is still feverish and miserable.

Anyone with suspected measles should be excluded from school or work until five days after the rash first appears.

MMR vaccine offers a high level of protection against measles. The first dose should be given at 12 months of age and the second with the pre-school booster, but if these have been missed it is never too late to have them. Two doses are required to provide a high level of protection. This is important for the protection of the individual and also to protect those who cannot be immunised because of age, pregnancy or an underlying medical condition causing immunosuppression. For these vulnerable people, measles can be a particularly serious disease.

If you are unsure whether your child/children have been fully immunised, you can check with your GP surgery and make an appointment to receive any doses of MMR vaccine they may have missed to ensure they have the 2 doses to provide protection against measles and also rubella and mumps.

MMR is also beneficial if given within 72 hours of exposure to the virus. If your children do have signs or symptoms of measles, please contact your GP to seek medical advice. Please telephone the GP surgery before visiting and tell the receptionist that the person may have measles so that the surgery can ensure that arrangements are made to avoid exposing other patients to a potential infection.

Further information is available from NHS Choices:

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/Pages/Introduction.aspx> Information about the MMR vaccine can be found by visiting

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/mmr-vaccine.aspx>

## **October half term at Arlington Court**

Open daily until 30 October, 11am-5pm

**Bring this flyer with you during October half term to receive free entry for one child, when an adult ticket is purchased.**



**National  
Trust**

### **Special events**

**Celebrating the harvest**, 22 & 23 October, 11am-3pm

A magnificent display of crops from the kitchen garden, recipe suggestions, hints for storage and family activities.

**Hallowe'en crafts**, 24, 25 & 28 October, 12-4pm

Bring your imagination and make some spooky Hallowe'en crafts.

**Spooky night walk**, 28 October, 5.45pm, 6.30pm, 7.15pm & 8pm

Spooky tales of unusual happenings as you walk through the grounds of Arlington Court; each walk lasts about 45 minutes - Adult £5, Child £3.50

### **Do you have some spare time during the day?**

Arlington Court is looking to recruit volunteers to join their garden team helping with annual tasks such as planting spring bulbs, lifting summer bedding, collecting autumn leaves and preparing beds in the winter. As well as keeping the Arlington garden growing, you'll also be able to pick up hints and tips for your own garden.

Full training will be given, as well as an induction to the site, plus benefits such as a discount card and free entry to National Trust sites. The time you're able to give can be flexible, from once a week, once a fortnight or on a more ad hoc basis, and can range from a few hours between school runs to a whole day.

If you'd like to find out more please contact the garden team on 01271 851130 or email [arlingtoncourt@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:arlingtoncourt@nationaltrust.org.uk)

**For more information visit**

**[www.nationaltrust.org.uk/arlington-court](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/arlington-court)**

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