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"Let Your  
Light Shine"  
Matthew 5:16



**\*Remember to book your child's school dinners for the coming week\***

## Newsletter Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Last week's  
attendance  
was:  
**98.7%**

Dear parents/carers,

At the end of our third week of term, the children are in full flow of their lessons. I have seen lots of interaction and engagement in learning; the children listening carefully to the adults and each other, supporting one another to be the best they can be. Our Christian value of 'Endurance' has definitely been displayed in all aspects of school life this week. The children in class 1 have been focusing their handwriting and our year 2 children have been developing their letter joins with pleasing results! Our children in class 2 are now fully emerged in their class text 'Chalk' and have been using the story to develop ideas for their own story writing with beautiful rich vocabulary shared in the thinking process.

It has been lovely to welcome our parents to our weekly celebration assembly this week. Our celebration assemblies are an opportunity to highlight those children who have 'Let their light Shine' through endurance and fantastic learning this week. We would also welcome children to bring along any achievements and successes from outside school too (eg, sporting achievements, charity work).

Today we announced our new school leadership team for the year. They will be fully emerged in their roles starting from next week, and we are keen to hear the ideas they would like to bring to their new responsibility. Mrs Johnstone will be leading the school council and Ethos group who will meet each Tuesday and I will be meeting with our librarians every Wednesday at breaktime and sports leaders each Wednesday at lunchtime. Our meetings will give the children the opportunity to share ideas and plan what they would like to do for the year ahead. We are looking forward to welcoming you to your role and working closely together to achieve the best for everyone in our school.

Our book and biscuit mornings will begin next week. Parents are welcome into school when the doors open at 8:50am to read with their child/ren, with delicious biscuits for everyone. After the book and biscuit morning, parents are welcome to stay for our weekly celebration assembly.

Unfortunately, Mr Billingham is poorly and unable to come to school, we would like to wish him a speedy recovery. Mrs Dodd and I have been teaching the class this week and we have Mrs Atkinson who will be with us next week in class 1.

As the weather and seasons are changing, can we ask that all children bring a coat to school. Our EYFS children spend a lot of time outside in our continuous provision, so a coat is essential for those colder days. Full PE kits (white t-shirt, navy shorts and trainers) are needed for our PE sessions with Mr Pugh each Friday.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

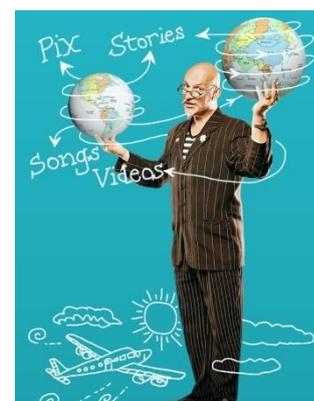
Mrs Cook

<i>School Diary</i>	
<b>Sept/Oct 2021</b>	
<b>Monday - 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>OCRA Multi-sports</b> after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm
<b>Tuesday - 28<sup>th</sup></b>	
<b>Wednesday - 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuck Shop</b> , 3:15-3:30pm <b>Art</b> after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm (3 of 4)
<b>Thursday - 30<sup>th</sup></b>	Clive Pig- Romans Workshop- Class 2 <b>Martial Arts</b> club, 3:30-4:30pm
<b>Friday - 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Book & Biscuit 8:50-9:15am- <i>Parents welcome</i> Celebration Assembly, 9:15am- <i>Parents welcome</i> PE lessons- Class 1 & 2 Music lessons- Class 1 & 2 <b>Swimming-Class 2, 1:30-2:30pm (4/7)</b>

**\*Your child must be booked onto our after-school clubs through School Gateway, in order to take part.**

### **Clive Pig- Roman Workshop**

We are excited to have Clive Pig (*international storyteller & children's author*) visit class 2 on Wednesday. A huge thank you to our PTFA who have kindly offered to cover the cost, so there will be no charge to parents for this experience. If you'd like to find out more about Mr Pig, please visit his website [www.clivepig.co.uk](http://www.clivepig.co.uk)



## **Northlew Parish Village Defibrillator Training Courses – Register Now!**



A huge thank you to all of you who have donated to the purchase of a defibrillator training unit which now means we have enough money to go ahead and order it.

Our village first responder Kate Hawkins has very kindly offered to run two free training sessions at the Northlew Church Rooms in The Square on:-

- Saturday 23 October 2021 at 18.30 – 20.30 and
- Saturday 20 November 2021 at 18.30 – 20.30

These training sessions are available for adults and any teenagers 16+ which will hopefully give you confidence to use this life saving equipment in an emergency. A separate course will be run for children if there is any interest. Space in the Church Rooms is limited so we would be most grateful if you could **book your place on a first come first serve basis by completing the online registration form at:- <https://forms.gle/op7vSdgjK1Bgumy47>** to ensure there is adequate space and if necessary we can organise additional courses. We are also holding a register at The Square Shop if you would prefer to pop in there to book on one of the days. **Please note you must register your interest to attend this course.**

**\*This training is available to children in year 5 and above**

Thank you for your interest.

**Northlew Parish Council**

Dear parents and carers,

We have had an unprecedented demand for our early community Flu vaccination clinics and these early clinics are now full. Most children and young people will be vaccinated in school as in other years and we will be visiting schools from now until January 2022. We will be arranging further community clinics for children who are clinically vulnerable or who have missed their immunisation in the school setting. As soon as we have more clinics available to book onto we will send out further information to you, in the meantime please do not call into the Single Point of Access (SPA) to book a community clinic appointment.

Thank you for your understanding and we will be in contact with you again as soon as there is an update.

Best wishes  
Immunisation Team

**School Age Immunisations Team**  
**Virgin Care Services Limited**  
**Telephone: 0300 247 008**





GOLD  
STAR  
award

*Congratulations to the following children for achieving  
their gold star certificates!*



**BRONZE AWARD**  
50 STARS

*Class 1*

*Amelia*

*Ronnie*



# Super Learners of the Week!

## Class 1

**Jacob** has used his good listening skills this week to learn new vocabulary through playing with water beads "Mrs Quick, transparent! I can see you. I can see your iPad". Amazing vocabulary Jacob, well done.



## Class 2

**Alfie** has shown great concentration since the beginning of this term. His attitude to all learning has been fantastic and it is lovely to have his contributions to discussions in class 2. Alfie has tried hard to build his independence with writing. Well done Alfie!



I noticed that something was going to happen the boy stared up at the ceiling in that unable to take his eyes off the object. Looking away with his eyes peeled and his mouth wide open in disbelief the boy was frozen. His cap was blowing off in the wind. He was unable to move his arm eyes blinking his head. He

## Christian Ethos - 'Endurance'

### Class 1

**Ollie** has been a superb role model to the children in class 1 this term and has persevered with helping the younger children to learn our school values and school rules. Well done Ollie!



### Class 2

**Winnie** has had a fantastic week this week where she has shown endurance and enthusiasm with her learning about rounding. After initially finding it tricky Winnie persevered and is now able to round numbers to the nearest million! Well done Winnie!

A)	4h	4h	4	6	0
	8	7	2	3	6
	4h	4h	4	6	0
	9	0	0	0	0
B)	4h	4h	4	6	0
	2	6	3	6	7
	4h	4h	4	6	0
	2	0	0	0	0
	4h	4h	4	6	0
C)	6	2	5	8	9
	4h	4h	4	6	0
	6	0	0	0	0
	4h	4h	4	6	0
d)	0	0	8	7	2
	4h	4h	4	6	0
	9	0	0	0	0
	4h	4h	4	6	0
E)	9	9	2	2	1
	4h	4h	4	6	0
	1	0	0	0	0



23 September 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

**RE: Year 6 Open Evening at Okehampton College**

We look forward to welcoming any Year 6 students and parents/carers who are considering joining us in 2022, to our Open evening on **Wednesday 29th September 2021**.

In order to ensure we are being covid safe, much consideration has been put towards safe grouping, one way systems and additional rooms. We encourage all attending to wear face masks unless exempt. Entry will be through the sports hall from the back car park, near the Pavilion. People will exit through the main entrances on the front drive. We are excited to be welcoming you through our doors as well as ensuring we all feel safe and happy.

The event is ticketed with a choice of 4 sessions between the hours of 16.30 and 19.00hrs. Each ticket will allow only 1 parent/carers and 1 child.

The four sessions are as follows:

16.30 – 17.30, 17.00 – 18.00, 17.30 – 18.30 and 18.00 – 19.00.

To book a session please visit the Eventbrite link: <https://okehampton-college-open-evening-ticket.eventbrite.co.uk>

Each session will start with a talk from our Associate Principals Mr Griffiths and Ms Mullins, followed by a tour of the College guided by Post16 students. You will have the opportunity to see our students in each subject area enjoying learning in a challenging and exciting environment.

If you are unable to attend on this evening you will be able to book a visit on a Wednesday morning at 09.15hrs. We intend to offer Wednesday morning tours throughout the Autumn term, until Christmas, starting Wednesday 6 October.

<https://okehampton-college-tour.eventbrite.co.uk>

Please go to our website for further information [www.okehamptoncollege.devon.sch.uk](http://www.okehamptoncollege.devon.sch.uk)

Alternatively, please contact the College on (01837) 650910 or email [admin@okehamptoncollege.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@okehamptoncollege.devon.sch.uk)

We look forward to meeting you!

Yours sincerely

Bernice Hachipuka  
Associate Vice Principal i/c of Transition



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MULTI ACADEMY TRUST



*Okehampton College is "Outstanding" – Ofsted*