



Ottery Primary School Newsletter



30th September 2019

Chair of Governors

We have a new Chair of Governors. Due to work and family commitments Oliver Helm no longer has the time to dedicate to the role of Chair although he will remain on the Governing Body. We would like to thank Oliver for all his hard work and commitment to the school and the children. Our new Chair of Governors is Amy Thornton. She can be contacted via the Clerk or via the school office. Amy has served as a governor for a number of years and is a valued member of the school community and we are delighted that she has been elected Chair.

Photographs

A reminder that the school photographer will be in next Tuesday 8th October. If you would like to have a photo of your child with a **pre-school** sibling, these will be taken on a first come first served basis via the Hub doors from 8.15 onwards. All siblings within school will have their photographs taken during the normal school day.

Thursday 3rd October

There will be a change to the advertised menu this coming Thursday. Details of the change can be found on the school's Twitter page via the website.

Friday 4th October

A reminder that this coming Friday 4th October is an INSET day and the school will be closed for children.

Data collection sheets

Thank you to everyone who has returned their data collection sheets to the school. These are vitally important forms as they confirm emergency contact details and other important information. Unfortunately we are still waiting on some of these sheets being returned to us. Please could this be done as a matter of urgency? Thank you.

Open Events

We will be holding a number of opening events for parents who are considering school places for their children in September. Details are provided below on the three events. This information has been passed on to the local pre-schools as well.



Ottery St Mary Primary School

Are you thinking about primary schools for your child?



Ottery St Mary Primary School will be holding two open mornings and one open evening for prospective new parents. If you would like an opportunity to see the school in action or would just like to look around at the facilities that we can offer, please contact the school office on (01404) 812977 or email admin@ottery-primary.devon.sch.uk

Open evening
Open morning
Open morning

Thursday 10th October
Wednesday 30th October
Monday 4th November

6.00 - 7.30pm
9.15 - 10.45am
9-15 - 10.45am

Spacious modern classrooms

Double decker library bus

Heated outdoor swimming pool

Dedicated dance and drama studio

Dedicated teachers and assistants

Large playing field

SEN and Pastoral support

Forest School provision



SEND workshops for parents

Attached with this week's newsletter is a range of information about forthcoming events, including information sessions at Withycombe Raleigh Primary School, a workshop on Developmental Language Disorder and a workshop on using tablets and iPads with children on the autism spectrum.

Vacancy - School Chef Manager

30 hours per week. Term Time only. Annualised pay (paid for 43 weeks and annualised over 12 months)

Qualifications

7061 / 7062 or NVQ level 3 in catering and hospitality.

Intermediate food hygiene.

A good working knowledge of HACCP.

A good understanding of allergens.

A good working knowledge of Kitchen Health & Safety.

Dates for the diary

Wednesday 2 nd October	Year 1 walk around Ottery (pm)
Friday 4 th October	Staff Training Day – school closed to children
Monday 7 th October	Class 7 Multi-Skills at Kings
Tuesday 8 th October	School photographs – individuals/family groups (see above)
Monday 14 th October	Class 8 Multi-Skills at Kings
w/c 21 st October	Half-term
Wednesday 30 th October	Year 5 trip to Coldharbour Mill
Wednesday 4 th December	School Christmas Lunch
Friday 20 th December	Last day of Autumn Term
Tuesday 7 th January 2020	First day of Spring Term
w/c 20 th April 2020	Year 5 Warren Barn Residential
17 th -19 th June 2020	Year 6 PGL Residential



🍊 Join us for a fun filled spooky yoga session at the Chicken Shed, Hunger Hill Yurts, Newton Popleford on Monday 21st October between 10am and 12pm.

🍊 Come in fancy dress and expect yoga, games and craft activities. All equipment, drink and snack provided.

🍊 £12.50 per child. Sibling discount £11 per child for two or more siblings.

🍊 To book or for more information please contact hello@flourish-yoga.co.uk

Yoga Club - there are still a few places available at yoga club. The club is for KS2 children and takes place on a Wednesday straight after school until 4.30pm in the dance studio. Sessions cost just £5.50 when paid in advance. Yoga has many benefits for children including: improving fitness, flexibility, coordination and strength; an increased awareness of breathing and emotions and is relaxing and creative. Message me at hello@flourish-yoga.co.uk if you are interested.