



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

9th May 2025

Latest News

Another jam-packed sunshiny week!

Today our Year 5 children headed to the Pannier Market to take part in VE day celebratory activities. They immersed themselves in this historical experience and have come back full of knowledge, empathy and respect for those who we remember at these times.

Earlier in the week, our Year 4 students headed out on their first residential. They spent two action-packed days and one chilly night at Rock and Rapids many experiencing camping for the first time! Exciting!

On Thursday the whole school got active in the hall with Olli Adams (GB surfer). We then listened to a really inspirational assembly where we learnt about how Olli developed his passion for surfing, even when he faced adversity. His key message was: find something you love and then find a way of making it your job! Great advice!

This afternoon saw the final of our Times Table Slam! I was awed by the finalists' ability to perform under pressure and all of the finals were incredibly closely contested. Congratulations to our winners:

Year 1 / 2 - Theo M

Year 3 / 4 - TJH

Year 5 / 6 - Marnie C

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!



Census Day - Thursday!

Encourage your child to enjoy a nutritious school dinner on Census Day! Not only will they benefit from a balanced meal, but their participation helps ensure our school receives vital funding to support their education.



Did you know?

* **Census Day** data directly impacts the funding our school receives for the year.

* Every child having a school dinner on Census Day helps secure additional resources for our classrooms.

*School funding supports everything from new books to extracurricular activities.

Let's make every meal count! 🍴📚

School Development News

Teachers from each year group have been attending moderation session with colleagues from across North Devon. These are great opportunities to get together with colleagues, share good practice and benchmark how our students are getting on compared to others. I have been delighted that each member of staff has come back from these moderation sessions feeling really confident about their judgements and the work going on in their classrooms.

Date	Event
Mon 12th - 15th May	Year 6 Standardised Test Week
Fri 16th May	Year 3 Cricket
Wed 21st May	Spring Bingo - eyes down 6pm
Fri 23rd May	Last Day of Summer Term 1
Mon 2nd June (2 weeks)	Year 4 Multiplication timetable check
Mon 2nd June	First day of Summer Term 2
Mon 9th - Fri 13th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Checks
Wed 11th - Fri 13th June*	Year 6 Residential *Correction to date
Wed 18th - 20th June*	Year 5 Residential *Correction to date
Sun 29th June	Summer Fair - More information to follow
Mon 14th July	INSET Day - Non pupil day
Wed 23rd July	Last Day of Summer Term

PERSISTENCE



TEAMWORK



CURIOSITY



COMMUNICATION



Award Winners

Henry - Fireflies

Chloe & Caden - Otters

Felix & Jasmine - Foxes

Aria & Evie W - Hedgehogs

Betsy, Max & Sam - Eagles

Pippa & Oscar - Kestrels

Whole Class for a great residential experience - Hawks & Falcons

Matilda & Evie - Leopards

Eddie & William - Panthers

Harry B & Ashton - Lions

Harper & Amelia - Tigers

You have all been recognised for your fantastic learning behaviours – WELL DONE!

SEN Review meetings

If your child has an Individual Learning Plan then you will receive a letter from Mrs Sluman next week, inviting you to a review meeting with your child's teacher. You will be able to sign up for these meetings using the MCAS app.

Clubs start next week!

Lots of you have already signed up, but if you haven't yet, the booking slots remain open until Monday.

Swimming

All swimming sessions are during the afternoons. Please ensure children bring a towel, swimming suit and goggles.

Swim caps are advised but not essential.

Summer 1

Year 3

Summer 2

Year 6

Peppa Pig & Pudsey Bear came to visit

Today, we had a special surprise visit from Peppa and Pudsey. Luckily there were no muddy puddles for Peppa to jump in!

This fabulous visit was a reward for our great school fundraising for BBC Children in Need. But they also managed to squeeze in an unplanned visit to our Reception children!

Nursery Children's individual photos will be sent out via Dojo.



Sport Day 2025

Our Sports Day will take place on Wednesday 25th June this year. We invite parents and carers to join us to support this event.

- KS2 (Year 3,4,5&6) 9:30 – 11:30am
- EYFS & KS1 (N, R, Year 1 & 2): 1:30 – 3pm.

The back-up date will be Monday 30th June.



Attendance

Well Done Year 5!

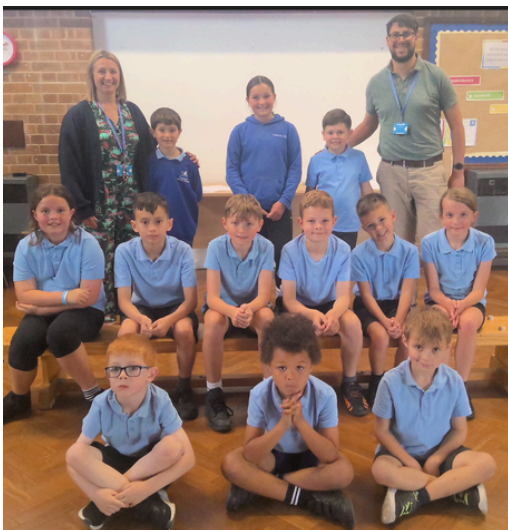
WB: 05/05/2025	
1	93.6%
2	92.1%
3	94.7%
4	93.1%
5	98.4%
6	93.7%
Overall	94.2%

Year 4 Residential

Campfire fun at Rock and Rapids!



Spring Slam finalists!



PTFA

Next event:

Wednesday May 21st – Spring Bingo, eyes down 6.30pm. A mixture of cash and other prizes. See attached poster. Further information to follow, on pre-booking your bingo books, books will also be available on the night.

IF ANYONE CAN DONATE A PRIZE, THAT WOULD BE BRILLIANT

Save the date:

Sunday June 29th – Summer Fair, more information to follow. If anyone can volunteer to help at the Summer Fair for any amount of time, please message the PTFA Facebook page.

JOIN US FOR THE PTFA



BINGO NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 21ST MAY
Venue: School Hall

EYES DOWN AT 6.30PM

DOORS OPEN AT 6PM

£10 A BOOK, PRIZES TO BE WON
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE



Day at the Seaside

Census Day - Thursday May 15th

**Fish Fillet & Chips
with Crunchy Salad Sticks**

or

**Veggie Fingers & Chips (v)
with Crunchy Salad Sticks**

Vanilla Ice Cream

or **Fresh Fruit**

***Allergen Aware options also available**



Ham Baguette
&
Jacket Potato
will also be
available



FOOTBALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Keep active, have fun, make friends,
learn skills, play matches.

Sportswear, water bottle, trainers
or moulded football boots needed.

Shinpads recommended

MONDAY'S - Years 3 - 6

3.25 - 4.25PM

28 April - 14 July

9 weeks

£54 / £6 per session



BOOK YOUR SPACE ONLINE ONLINE

<https://romar-sports.classforkids.io/info/1253>



Dance Attack

Dance and Acrobatic sessions

Musical Theatre, Street Dance,
Freestyle, Jazz, Lyrical,
Contemporary, Acrobatics, Baby
ballet

Tuesday evening

5-5.45pm Acrobatic Dance (4-11)

Thursday evening

4-4.45 pm Little Movers Dance Mix (age 3-6)

4.45-5.30pm Junior Dance Mix (age 7-11)

**5.30-6.15pm Junior fusion Session
(ability based)**

0750 771 3438

racheldance@live.co.uk

**Studio: The Beechfield Centre, Beechfield Road,
Fremington, Barnstaple, EX31 3DD**



Acrobatics at Dance Attack

TUESDAY EVENING

5-5.45PM

**THE BEECHFIELD CENTRE
BEECHFIELD ROAD
FREMINGTON EX31 3DD**

PRIMARY SCHOOL AGE 4-11

£5 PER SESSION



More information

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SUMMER RUGBY TASTER SESSIONS

CALLING ALL GIRLS YEARS 3-6!

PLEASE JOIN US IN FREE
INTRODUCTION TO RUGBY SESSIONS

CONTACT
SARAH-JANE - 07972728000
FOR MORE DETAILS

team
work

fun

CONFIDENCE

exercise

INCLUSION

LOCATION - BIDEFORD RUGBY CLUB

JUNE 3RD @ 6-7PM

JUNE 10TH @ 6-7PM

JUNE 17TH @ 6-7PM


JUNE 24TH @ 6-7PM






1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Margherita Pizza with Potato Wedges (v)	Chicken Curry with Rice	Roast Turkey with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Sausage Pinwheel, Herby Diced Potatoes & Baked Beans	Fish Fingers & Chips
Hot Option 2	Sweet Potato and Lentil Curry with Steamed Rice (v)	Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake & Crusty Bread (v)	Lentil Roast with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy (v)	Plant-based Sausage Pinwheel, Herby Diced Potatoes & Baked Beans (v)	Golden Veggie Goujons & Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo
Served with	Sweetcorn	Mixed Vegetables	Carrots and Green Beans	Mixed Salad	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Pip Organic Ice Lolly	Brownie	Flapjack	Fruit Jelly	Shortbread Biscuit
Packed Lunch + pudding of the day	Tuna Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette

Week One: 21 Apr | 12 May | 9 Jun | 30 Jun | 21 Jul | 15 Sept | 6 Oct



2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Mac n Cheese & Crusty Bread (v)	Sweet & Sour Chicken with Steamed Rice	Honey Roast Gammon with Mash & Gravy	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Pasta	Chicken Bites & Chips
Hot Option 2	Sweet and Sour Plant Balls with Steamed Rice (v)	Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake (v) & Crusty Bread	Vegemince Cottage Pie & Gravy (v)	Plant-based Sausages in Tomato Sauce with Pasta (v)	Vegetarian Enchilada & Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo
Served with	Mixed Vegetables	Sweetcorn	Peas and Carrots	Mixed Salad	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Pip Organic Ice Lolly	Oaty Cookie	Toffee Cream Shortcake	Jam Sponge & Coconut	Chocolate Shortbread
Packed Lunch + pudding of the day	Tuna Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette

Week Two: 28 Apr | 19 May | 16 Jun | 7 Jul | 1 Sept | 22 Sept | 13 Oct



3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Swirl with Potato Wedges (v)	Lasagne & Garlic Bread	Sausages Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potato & Gravy	Breaded Chicken, Lettuce and Mayo Wrap with Steamed Rice	Fish Fingers & Chips
Hot Option 2	Vegemince Bolognese with Pasta (v)	Loaded Bean Bake & Garlic Bread (v)	Plant-based Sausages Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potato & Gravy (v)	Tomato and Courgette Frittata with Potato Wedges (v)	Cheesy Pinwheel & Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo
Served with	Peas and Sweetcorn	Mixed Salad	Cabbage and Carrots	Crunchy Salad Sticks	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Vanilla Ice Cream	Blueberry Cupcake	Carrot Cake	Chocolate Oatcake	Vanilla Crunch Bar
Packed Lunch + pudding of the day	Tuna Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette

Week Three: 5 May | 2 Jun | 23 Jun | 14 Jul | 8 Sept | 29 Sept | 20 Oct

*Available Daily:
Fresh Salad, Bread & Drinking Water + Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt as Pudding Alternatives