

# School Matters

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## Digital Dates

### NO CLUBS NEXT WEEK

Wednesday, 17th July

Some of Year 5 to  
Sidmouth College

Thursday, 18th July

Chantalle Major-  
Parent Support Worker  
in at 2.30

Monday, 22nd July

Pre School Leavers  
Party -10am

Tuesday, 23rd July

Leaver's Assembly-11am  
Pre School Leavers  
Celebration -1 pm  
School finishes -1.30pm

Wednesday, 4th

September

Children back in school



## July 12 News

### School Funding Issues

As we approach the end of the school year, I wanted to highlight the issues around school funding, which continue to affect many schools across the country. I am sure you will have seen many of these issues highlighted on the news. They equally impact on us at Newton Poppleford

Sadly, I have to confirm that despite intense lobbying of the Government and Department for Education, matters remain extremely challenging. In short, schools are still not being provided with adequate funding and resources to deliver the level of provision and support that is expected and that our families and children deserve.

#### Current Concerns - nationally

- Since 2010 school budgets have been reduced in real terms <https://schoolcuts.org.uk/schools/?chosenSchool=8782054>
- Class sizes are rising and the curricular offer is being restricted.
- Increasingly, schools are being asked to support children's emotional health and wellbeing. Frequently, we do not have adequate resources to meet a growing need.
- Often, the most vulnerable students in our schools – those from disadvantaged backgrounds or those with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) – are bearing the brunt of cuts and schools are struggling to provide the levels of support that they are entitled to.

In September 2018, over 2000 headteachers campaigned at Westminster in order to underline the seriousness of the current situation. This action was unprecedented and is ongoing.

The 'Worth Less?' campaign group now comprises 64 Local Authorities and Boroughs, covering thousands of schools and millions of families. This gives a clear indication of the levels of concern felt by reasonable and moderate headteachers in England.

At Newton Poppleford, the situation remains challenging for us all. We are very grateful for the excellent support we receive from the PTFA - this is invaluable. I am sure there will be more calls for support from parents in the Autumn Term. Please make your voice heard in getting fairer funding for all children.

The Twilight after school club phone number is 07513269489.



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## Newton Poppleford Primary School

Class sizes have increased between 2015 and 2018



**-£106,377**

Lost out on  
between 2015 &  
2019

**-£271**

Per-pupil loss

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### Impact in DEVON

256 of 339 schools have suffered cuts to per pupil funding.

**-£56.1M**

Lost out on  
between 2015 &  
2019

**-£238**

Per-pupil loss

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**I'm ready to take action**

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**School cuts are  
damaging our  
children's  
education**

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## From the PTFA

THANK YOU! To everyone who helped set up, clear up, run a stall, brought in goodies, or just came along to support our Summer Fete! Watch this space for the amount raised!

CONGRATULATIONS! To Year One, who were the winners of the competition for the class who sold the most raffle tickets. Their treat is a class picnic which they will have next term!

## School Office News

If your child is in school today, then look out for their **report** which will be in their school bag.

There are **no clubs** next week except for **BADMINTON**. All other clubs have now finished for the term.

**Menu Change**—On the last day of term (July 23rd) the school dinner will be **fish and chips**.

An article in the Sidmouth Herald describes the help the **Back to School Bank** can provide to parents, in particular, school uniform

<http://bit.ly/2xEzzHl>

School Lane is likely to be closed either between August 27th–30th OR September 23rd–27th for SWW Utility Works.

**Y3** My **Wow Moment** was making bread. It was great fun! -Theo  
I enjoyed our class debate on the rain forest-Barney

**Y4** My **Wow Moment** was making bread and getting to eat it with jam—it was yummy-Skyler  
My **Wow Moment** was making bread-Elise

**Y2** I have enjoyed talking about our memories in Year 2 and looking through old photos.-Phoebe

I loved our walk along the River to Dotton.  
We saw ducklings and dragon fly.-Oliver

**Y5** My **Wow Moment** was going to the sports event at Sidmouth College and running in the relay.- Brayden  
My **Wow Moment** has been hearing everyone's volcanoes homework-Emily B

# Wow moments

**Y1** My **Wow Moment** was our walk to Dotton. It was fantastic! - Tilly  
My **Wow Moment** was painting a sunflower like Van Gogh- Olivia

**YR** -My **Wow Moment** was being the friendly ladybird in our class assembly-Nola

My **Wow Moment** was singing my favourite snail song to my mum in our class assembly-Drew

**Y6** My **Wow Moment** was when we made posters about safety around fire, first aid, electricity, hoax calls and other things- Carys  
My **Wow Moment** was when I made a den in far field-Jess

**PRE-SCHOOL** My **Wow Moment** was shooting a ball into a net in PE-Heidi  
My **Wow Moment** was learning lots about the body including how the skull protects our brain-Isla