

School Matters

The Weekly Newsletter from Newton Poppleford School

2020 Digital Dates

Monday, January 13th
Skern Lodge meeting
for Year 5 parents—
9am

**Wednesday, 15th
January**
Year 3 Cake Sale

Deadline to apply for a
primary school place

Friday, 24th January
Open the Book
assembly

February 17th - 21st
Half Term

Thursday, March 26th
Last day of Spring Term



Friday 10th January 2020

Welcome back to a new term, a new year and a new decade. I hope you had a pleasant Christmas and New Year.

A **Clubs Letter** for the Spring term is being sent out today. It is also available on the school website. Most Clubs will be starting in the coming week. When a club becomes oversubscribed a waiting list is started just in case spaces become available in the following weeks. When a club takes place after school please make sure that children are collected at the stated finishing time.



Eco Update—We are just about to send off our second box of crisp packets to be recycled - that's just over 16kg of crisp packets that otherwise would have gone to landfill!

Thank you everyone for collecting and please remember to continue saving those crisp packets during this new year. Remember, only **crisp packets only**. **NO** nut, meat, popcorn or biscuit wrappers please.

You can find out information on Sidmouth **Library's Harry Potter Night** on the news section of the school website.



INFORMATION SESSIONS

(Teachers, teaching assistants, professionals, parents, relatives, childminders and other interested parties all very welcome)

1:30 – 3pm repeated 3:30 – 5pm in the community room at

WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Topic	Date	Notes
Challenging behaviour (including reciprocity, attachment, shame, and bids for attention)	Friday 17 th January	Children who overreact /are not maximising their potential. Understanding, sensing and changing disruptive behaviour . We are fortunate to have a very experienced retired educational psychologist co-presenting at this and several more sessions.
Sensory needs and Autism - can you have one without the other?	Friday 24 th January	WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF SENSORY ISSUE, e.g. sight, hearing, touch, taste, smell, interoception, proprioception, balance, etc? Is my child over- or under-sensitive and how can you be both?
Is there an effective alternative to punishment? Which praise is effective in eliciting better behaviour?	Friday 31 st January	How can I control the children if I don't punish/ reward them? Strategies to gain compliance by connection rather than coercion/ bribery.
Resilience/self-esteem/anxiety	Friday 7 th February	As anxiety is at the root of so many behaviours, anyone wanting a greater understanding of these would benefit from attending.
How can I increase a child's thinking/remembering power?	Friday 14 th February	Discussions will include auditory processing / working memory / executive functioning . If your child is frustrating you, this could be the cause – come along and find out more!

NO CHARGE – REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED! ☺ PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE OTHER TOPICS ☺

To book a place or ask for further information, please call 01395-263397 ext2 and leave a message if no answer. Thank you.

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The Twilight after school club phone number is ☎07513269489



Speech, Language and Communication Needs Parent Workshops 2020

A free workshop for parents of children and young people with speech, language and communication needs.

We will be focusing on strategies to support your child with vocabulary learning. We will be looking at how to support word learning through book sharing, as well as exploring visual ways in which you can support your child to learn new words throughout their school career.

This workshop is suitable for parents of children at Primary and Secondary school.

Please choose from the following venues:

	Venue	Date	Time
Exeter	St Michael's Primary Academy	4 th March 2020	13:30 - 15:00
West Devon	Stowford Primary	4 th March 2020	13:30 – 15:00
South Devon	Haytor View Primary School, Newton Abbot	12 th March 2020	09:30 – 11:00
East Devon	Marpool Primary, Exmouth	3 rd March 2020	09:30 – 11:00
Mid Devon	St Andrews Primary, Cullompton	4 th March 2020	13:00 – 14:30
North Devon	Sticklepath Primary, Barnstaple	5 th March 2020	10:00 – 11:30

To book your free place, please email sue.vanstone@babcockinternational.com