

Week beginning 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2016	
<b>Mon</b> 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Closing Date</b> for Secondary School Places <b>Everyone</b> wear PE Kit No Forest School <b>Lunchtime</b> Basketball Club & Homework Club <b>3.15-4.15</b> Hockey Club Y3/4
<b>Tue</b> 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Lunchtime</b> Ukulele Lessons
<b>Wed</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Owl Class</b> Trip to Whistle Stop Centre <b>9am</b> Piano & Violin Lessons <b>Lunchtime</b> Tag Rugby Club and Hand Bells <b>2.50-3.15</b> Shared Reading - H'hogs
<b>Thu</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>9am</b> Running Whole School Woodwind Lessons <b>Lunchtime</b> Band <b>2.30</b> Y3/4 Brass & Y2 Recorders <b>3.15-4pm</b> Choir
<b>Fri</b> 4 <sup>th</sup>	Y2/3/4 wear PE kit Cello lesson <b>Lunchtime</b> Running Club
<b>Sat</b> 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>PTA Bonfire Night</b>

Week beginning 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	
<b>Mon</b> 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Everyone</b> wear PE Kit <b>Lunchtime</b> Basketball Club & Homework Club <b>1pm</b> Forest School H'hogs (last one) <b>3.15-4.15</b> Hockey Club Y3/4
<b>Tue</b> 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>8.30am</b> Individual and Family Photographs <b>Lunchtime</b> Ukulele Lessons
<b>Wed</b> 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>9am</b> Piano & Violin Lessons <b>Lunchtime</b> Tag Rugby Club & Hand Bells <b>2.50-3.15</b> Shared Reading - H'hogs
<b>Thu</b> 10 <sup>th</sup>	Y1/2/3 Flu Immunisation Y5/6 wear PE kit <b>9am</b> Running Whole School Woodwind Lessons <b>Lunchtime</b> Band <b>2.30pm</b> Y3/4 Brass & Y2 Recorders <b>3.15-4pm</b> Choir
<b>Fri</b> 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Return Shoe Boxes By Today</b> Y2/3/4 wear PE kit Cello lesson <b>10.45am</b> Remembrance Service in Church - All Welcome <b>Lunchtime</b> Running Club Basketball KS2 HVC

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Breakfast Club is up and running - 7.40 till 8.40am  
£4.00 per child per session which includes breakfast (arrive by 8am) or £3.00 per session without breakfast.  
Please book in advance at the office.

### Primary School Menu Leaflet

Following circulation of the new menu, the Catering Service would be grateful for any feedback you may have on the school meal service.

Please use the contact details on the outside cover of the menu and remember to visit [Myschoollunch.co.uk/Derbyshire](http://Myschoollunch.co.uk/Derbyshire) where you will find further information, games and competitions.

### Free School Meals

Parents/Carers may be eligible to claim free school meals. It's quick and easy to apply. For more information or to make your application please ring the team at Matlock on **01629 35743**. You can also apply on line at [www.derbyshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals) or you can ask at any school and they will provide you with an application form.

All eligible pupils will attract additional funding for the school known as Pupil Premium Funding which will provide extra money for the schools of Derbyshire.

### Diary Dates

- 31 Oct - School re-opens
- 31 Oct - **Closing date for applications for secondary school places**
- 2 Nov - Owl class trip to Whistle Stop Centre
- 5 Nov - BONFIRE NIGHT
- 8 Nov - Individual and Family Photographs (8.30am start)
- 10 Nov - Y1/2/3 Flu Immunisation
- 11 Nov - Basketball KS2 HVC
- 16 Nov - Democracy & Diversity Day at LMS for Y6
- 24 Nov - Y3/4 Soccer HVC
- 11 Dec - Church Carol Service
- 13 Dec - School Christmas Dinner
- 15 Dec - Hedgehogs Nativity (2pm & 6pm)
- 18 Dec - School Singing at Winding Wheel
- 20 Dec - break up for Christmas
- 3 Jan - INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
- 4 Jan - School re-opens

### Infant Reading Club

Thank you to the Y5/6 girls who will be running a reading club for the infants on a Friday

Run to Rio raised **£341** - well done everybody involved!

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PTA: We need your support. Please join us at 8.40am on Thursday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> for a quick 'brainstorm' in Woodland class. We know everyone is busy and that many of you already help the school and village in lots of ways – we are so grateful to you all – your children are very lucky. Several parents stepped forward at the PTA AGM on Wednesday evening to take on roles and organising events. Come and hear how you can support the PTA. Would you like to be chair? We'd love to have a Christmas Fair on Friday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>. Would you like to help plan it?



Please return shoe boxes by 11<sup>th</sup> November

Monday 14 November online and telephone primary admission application facilities open.

**Reminder - Please do not park in the Surgery car park at the start and end of the day – see attached letter.**

Easy Fundraising  
[www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)  
Please make Eyam School PTA your 'cause' page.

### Hockey Club

Could parents please meet Mrs Gaywood at the green zone in school to collect their children at 4.15pm  
Anyone who is not attending *must* tell Mrs Gaywood so she is not waiting for them and knows they are safe.



Thank you to Mark Cottrell for the newly refurbished school bell. We are enjoying using it.

### Newholme Hospital

Online petition for the non-closure of Newholme Hospital at Bakewell

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/157799>

### PTA Bonfire 5<sup>th</sup> November

Volunteers still needed to help on both Saturday and Sunday morning – please contact Clare Hepworth.

### National School Meals Week 31<sup>st</sup> October - 4<sup>th</sup> November

If your child usually brings a packed lunch but would like a school lunch any day please let the office know.

R, Y1 & 2 Free. Y3-6 £2.00.

Please see attached menu.

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### Check Point Challenge

Thank you to everyone who helped and attended the Check Point challenge event held last Saturday. Children from Lady Manners, Hope Valley College and six other local schools all successfully completed either the short (2km) or long course (3.5km) put together by Phil Booth. The courses took the children up and beyond the Forest School site and over the local fields. The short course was won by Alice, closely followed by Emily and George. For the longer course Maddie came second with a time of 45 mins closely followed by Bea, Emma, Savannah W and Grace E.



#LovetoRead

**#Love to Read** is part of the BBC's ongoing Get Reading campaign which aims to promote and encourage reading for pleasure. #Love to Read will follow 'Awesome Authors', focusing on 'Books that Built Britain' in October. The main focus will be a weekend of library events and activities on November 5 and 6. Library activities will begin in the run-up to the #Love to Read weekend from 24 October.

### Homework Club

'Working together to ensure your children are making the same progress as other children across the country'

We acknowledge that spellings are appearing harder this year – they are the National Curriculum words that all children across the country are learning in addition to all the 'letter string' words that we have always covered from year to year. The National expectations have risen in all subjects and every family up and down the country will be feeling the change – not just here in Derbyshire.

Homework Club was introduced after last year parents requested somewhere that children could go to finish work they had not completed at home. Some parents had also reported children who didn't want to practise their spellings daily and that saying they would have to attend a lunch time practise would help them to get it done at home. So this year we have, in consultation with Governors, set up a lunch time slot – finishing work, practising spellings and in addition for children to re learn words if they have not most of them correct in a their weekly spelling test. Because every child is unique teachers have also thought carefully about how many words each child should be able to spell in their tests – for example some need to get 6 or more out of 8 and others 8 or more out of 10. So we do understand that their results will fluctuate and that there will be mistakes!

It's a friendly set up with staff to help. Last week there was a maths problem for a Y5 child and some writing as well as spellings being practised by a Y3 child. Children are asked to follow the same 'look say cover write check' process that Hedgehog children are first introduced to.

We do not expect any child to worry about coming, if they have spent some time to practise at home - which most of you do very diligently – then there is nothing to worry about. For older pupils in Y5/6 we are also getting them ready for Y7 and transfer to independent homework, these older pupils are expected to hand homework in on time and complete.

Most children then realise that when their parents say its homework time then its best to learn things at home! So it should support you! We appreciate your feedback and hope that this answers some of the questions we have had. As always if you don't understand what's expected from a task please ask us. Do please come back to staff if you have further queries or if your child is concerned so we can continue to work together.

Many thanks