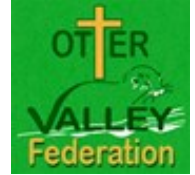


# Tipton St John Bulletin

BELIEVING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER TO BE THE BEST WE CAN BE



Friday 26th June 2026

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Dear Parents

Thank you so much for bearing with us as we navigated another unusual week with soaring temperatures. The staff have been brilliant at keeping the children well looked after and ensuring they keep hydrated, staying in shade at lunchtimes and managing the conditions. The children have done so well to cope with it as well—not easy to try and learn! The weather is looking more normal next week but we will keep you posted if it changes.

Oak Class had a wonderful residential in spite of the weather, and have come back tired but happy.

A huge thank you to Mr Hatswell, Miss Fennell, Mrs Hampton and Mr Thompson for giving up their time to make this such a success.

We have continued to look at the **Lord's Prayer** and what it can teach us about achieving our vision to believe and achieve to be the best we can be. This week Hazel looked at — Give us today our daily bread — thinking about what we need to live each day. Mrs Garrick got everyone eating a bit of bread to think about how important it is, and what we need to ask for each day to help us to be the best we can be.

We are also using our Friday afternoons to revisit some important messages for the children—today we

## Attendance

Class	Attendance
R	88.18%
1	85%
2	93.33%
3	90%
4	91.43%
5	86.47%
6	92.31%
Whole School	90.71%

looked at **rail safety** - never playing on the railway lines, knowing the rules about level crossings, and how to stay safe at a station. Although no weather warning in place, please continue to help us by ensuring your child has a hat and water bottle at school and comes with sun cream already applied.

Have a lovely weekend!

**Pete Button, Head of School**

**Winning House This Week is:**

**Tigers!**

### Dates to Remember :

**Tuesday 30th June**—Maple Class at Kings Sports Festival (12-3pm)

**Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th July am**—Transitions into new classes for Sept 26

**Wednesday 8th July**—3.30-5pm Open Evening for Parents to look at children's books and discuss progress with class teachers

**Friday 17th July**—Sports Day 1.30pm

**Wednesday 22nd July**—Summer Fair 1.15pm

**Friday 24th July**—Leavers Service and End of Term

# Heart Values Awards



**Oak:** — Encompassing all our Heart Values on our fantastic residential—great fun was had by all!

**Willow:** — **Lewis**—Empathy—for being really helpful towards others – especially computer support!

**Maple:** — **Sonny**— Hope—Improved focus and concentration especially in phonics and reading.

**Hazel— Ben**—Hope and Achievement - believing and achieving in challenging Maths!



We are happy to speak to any person at any time with regard to the safety of children. If you have any concerns please contact:

**Designated Safeguarding Lead for Otter Valley Federation:**  
Amanda Fulford, Executive Headteacher

**Safeguarding Governor:** Mark Humphries

**Designated Safeguarding Lead:** Pete Button, Head of School

**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead:** Richard Hatswell,  
Teacher

**Alternatively you can contact MASH on 0345 155 1071**

## Oak Residential Sunday 21st—Wednesday 24th June

'Oak Class went to PGL for 3 nights from Disco Dancing to The Giant Swing we had soooooo much fun . The experience was great and we tried many new things, overcoming fears and anxieties. The most popular activity was the Raft Building, where we had to use barrels, logs and ropes before we took to the water. All of the rafts were kept afloat, unfortunately for us the adults mis-behaved making sure we all fell in!! We all loved the experience and the food was so varied - even during the heat we continued to laugh and have fun.

***Rosie and Jemima***



## House Reward—Chocolate treat!



## Hazel Collective Worship—'Give us today our daily bread'



Data shows that incidents of domestic violence can dramatically increase during global sporting events, such as the Football World Cup. You can seek support and advice via this link:

[Referral - Devon Domestic Abuse Alliance](#)

**PTFA** - Please support our PTFA as we need to recruit new committee members for it to be able to function. They do a huge amount of great work fundraising for the school—from the fairs in the Summer and Christmas, Easter Egg hunts, Sports Day refreshments and fun runs. They raise a significant amount of money which benefits all our children—please do make contact with Rachel or the office if you would be able to join.

Thank you!

Pete Button



## Houses and House Points

We have a House System at Tipton. There are four houses: Lions (Yellow), Tigers (Red), Leopards (Green) and Panthers (Blue). House points are earned for good work, effort, good behaviour and demonstrating our values in school.

There are Y6 House captains for each house who will be counting up the house points earned each week by children in each class. These will give us a winning house who will be presented with the trophy on a Friday afternoon. We will be giving rewards for the most house points over the weeks and half terms—extra playtime and treats.

The children have been working hard to earn housepoints this week and have enjoyed the challenge!

## Winners this week were .... TIGERS

Leopards



116 House points

Lions



119 house points

Panthers



85 house points

Tigers



126 house points

### House Captains:

*Harrison and Annabelle—Leopards*

*Reuben and Jessica—Lions*

*Kobi and Rosie—Tigers*

*Ted and Ammara—Panthers*

## Breakfast and After School Club

An update—we are delighted to say that this has had a successful start ! Do make contact if you would like to make use of it for your children.



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# We provide **WRAPAROUND CARE** at your school

Our term time Breakfast and After School Clubs include breakfast or a snack alongside a variety of engaging activities including arts & crafts, board games, card games, sports, outside breaks, puzzles, and much more.

*Run by experienced teachers!*

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## **Kids Holiday Heroes are delighted to announce their Summer Holiday Camp dates for this year!**


They will be running holiday camps at both **Payhembury** and **Feniton** with extended opening hours 8:30 - 17:00.


They are working alongside a range of organisations to deliver exciting and interactive workshops, including Devon Air Ambulance, RSPCA, WaterAid, Guide Dogs, Waste Education, and more!

Alongside these special guests, children will enjoy a wide variety of sports, games, arts and crafts, den building, nerf gun wars, pool, darts, puzzles and outdoor adventures throughout the week. (Timetable out soon!)

The camps are designed to provide fun, engaging, and memorable experiences for all children.

 Payhembury


 Monday 27th July to Wednesday 2nd September


 Every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

 Payhembury School 8:30 - 17:00

 £35

 Feniton

 Thursday 6th August to Friday 28th August

 Every Thursday and Friday

 Feniton School 8:30 - 17:00

 £35

Save 20% using Tax Free Childcare!!

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# Otter Rail and River 10km & Fun Run 11 July 2026



Fun Run (1 mile) @ 10:30am  
Custom Medal and Jelly Snake to  
all finishers  
Enter on the day (or via siEntries)  
Open to all ages\*

\* Under 8 accompanied by an adult

10km @ 11:00am  
Otter Ale to all finishers\*  
Spot Prizes  
Optional Medal  
Enter on siEntries

\* Non-alcohol option available



Scan to Enter

Tipton St John Playing Fields  
Tipton St John, Devon EX10 OAF

Entries through siEntries (scan QR code)



**michelmores**

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2026

**Surface Dressing Programme 2026  
Main road through Metcombe and Tipton St. John**

As part of our annual maintenance programmes, we will be undertaking Surface Dressing on the main road through Metcombe and Tipton St. John.

Surface Dressing is applied to roads that remain in generally better condition to prevent further deterioration. It is a cost-effective way of restoring and protecting road surfaces to improve skid resistance and road safety, to seal the surface to prevent water ingress, to slow deterioration and to extend the lifespan of the road.

We will be carrying out the works on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2026 between 09:30 and 15:30**. This date may change depending on the weather, because Surface Dressing relies upon warm, dry weather.

To ensure the safety of road users and our workforce, traffic management measures – including road closures and temporary parking restrictions – will be in place. There may be short periods of restricted access to properties and motorists are advised to allow extra time for travel.

Please see the map below for the works area in **green** with **orange** dots.



**On street parking will not be possible whilst operations are ongoing.**

**Notices will be erected on street furniture in your road stating when the works are likely to start. Please look out for these notices in order to ensure work is not delayed because of parked vehicles.**

**Most sites are completed within one day. Larger sites may take up to three days. A five day 'weather window' is displayed on signs to allow flexibility with planned dates in case of wet weather as the materials require dry road surfaces before they can be applied.**

Given that planned dates may change due to weather, up-to-date information will be available on the one.network: <https://one.network>

For access queries and dates of work, please contact Kiely Bros on 01823 215253 or 0121 772 3800 (option 1) or via [customercare@kielybros.co.uk](mailto:customercare@kielybros.co.uk)

Further information regarding the Surface Dressing Programme 2026 across Devon is available on the Devon County Council website: <https://www.devon.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/traffic-information/roadworks/surface-dressing/>

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