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### Spring Term

Wednesday Jan 5th  
Friday April 8th

### February Half Term

Monday February 21st  
Friday February 25th

### Back to School

Monday February 28th

### World Book Day

Thursday March 3rd

### Red Nose Day

Friday March 18th

### Easter Holiday

Monday April 11th

Friday April 22nd

### Pathfield School Queen's Platinum Jubilee day in lieu

Tuesday May 3rd

### LATEST OFSTED REPORT

<https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/25/113638>

### PLEASE HAVE A LOOK AT OUR WEBSITE

<https://www.pathfield.devon.sch.uk/news-events/news/>

Dear Parents and Carers,

Some good news this week! We haven't had any new reported cases of COVID-19 in school this week. This is a huge turn around from just a few weeks ago and one that is also reflected in the local and national picture.

I am sure you will be aware of the latest Government announcement on the end of COVID-19 restrictions on February 24<sup>th</sup>. We haven't yet received any further guidance, but we will share this with you when we have a clear understanding of what this means for school. This announcement will be raising many questions and feelings and we will do our best to answer any queries that you may have.

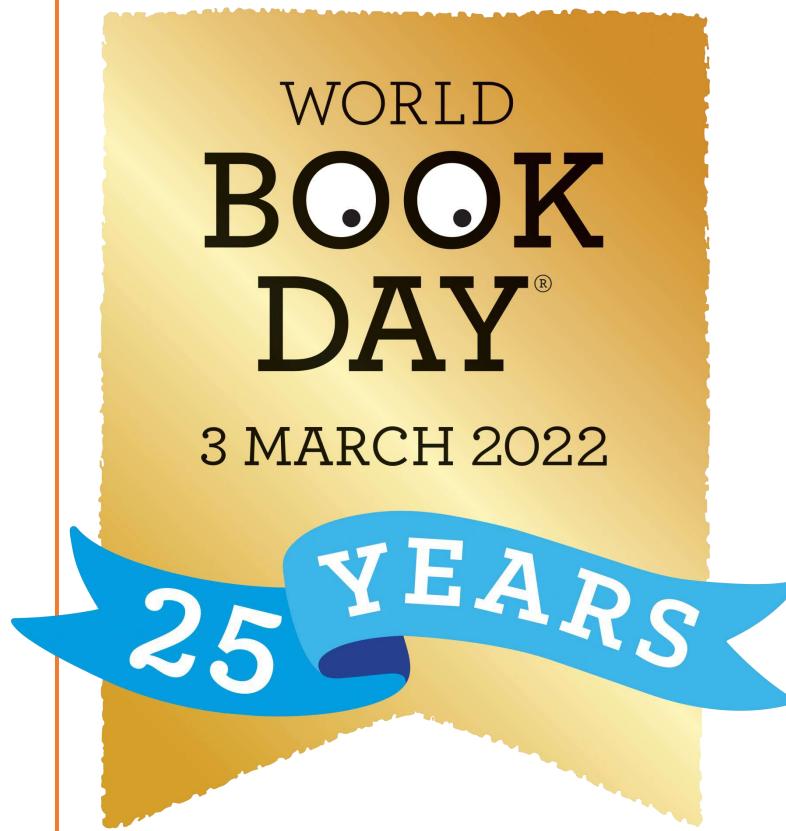
We've been recruiting staff over the past couple of weeks and still have an advert out for Teaching Assistants and Mealtime Assistants. Recruitment is difficult at the moment in many employment sectors including education, so if you know anyone who may be interested in any of the posts then please point them towards our website. We have however, been able to make some really good appointments recently with new TA's and Finance Officer recently recruited. We look forward to welcoming them into school.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and may be even enjoy some early spring sunshine.

Thank you for your support.

Stuart

## World Book Day



token for a FREE book until Sunday 27 March 2022. You can help your child choose their £1 book by showing them the exciting 'Look Insides' at [worldbookday.com/books](http://worldbookday.com/books).

Getting a free £1 book for your child is easy - simply take your book token to your nearest bookseller (which could be a supermarket) and swap it for a World Book Day £1 book OR get £1 off any book or audiobook costing £2.99 or more. You can find your nearest bookseller at [booksaremybag.com](http://booksaremybag.com).

Thank you for your support in making World Book Day happen.



World Book Day takes place on Thursday 3 March 2022. We will be celebrating in school through a variety of activities. As part of our celebrations, we would like to invite students to dress up as their favourite character from a book. You can join us in building your child's enthusiasm over half term by researching together the character they would like to come in as. It is a great opportunity to discuss with your child the books that they enjoy.

Next week, your child will be bringing home a World Book Day token. You can exchange your £1 World Book Day book

A collection of 20 small book covers arranged in a grid. The books are sponsored by National Book Tokens and feature titles like 'MAY'S LUCAS', 'ROCKET RULES!', 'DINOSAUR ROAR', 'BOOGEY DANCE', 'THE WORLD BOOK DAY BADGE', 'SIMON FARNABY', 'PEAK PERIL', 'LINE UP BOSS', 'THE LAST WORD', 'BOY MISSING', and 'FUN WITH THE CELTS and THE VIKINGS'. The background is orange with festive decorations like bunting and confetti. A yellow banner at the bottom reads 'Our 2022 £1 books'.



**Do you have questions about your child's communication device?**

**Do you need advice how to facilitate and/or improve  
communication at home?**

**Do you need help to increase interaction and communication  
with your child?**



**Meet with our Speech & Language Therapy Assistant Patrycja  
every Thursday afternoon between 1:30 - 3:30.**

We are offering prearranged 45 minutes sessions via Teams.

To book your consultation please contact Patrycja via email:



[psevers@pathfield.devon.sch.uk](mailto:psevers@pathfield.devon.sch.uk)  
or phone 01271 342 423.





## Children's Mental Health Week



From 7-13 February 2022, schools, youth groups, organisations and individuals across the UK have been taking part in Children's Mental Health Week. This year's theme is **Growing Together**.

**Growing Together** is about growing emotionally and finding ways to help each other grow. Challenges and setbacks can help us to grow and adapt and trying new things can help us to move beyond our comfort zone into a new realm of possibility and potential. However, emotional growth is often a gradual process that happens over time, and sometimes we might feel a bit 'stuck'.

For Children's Mental Health Week 2022, we are encouraging children (and adults) to consider how they have grown and how they can help others to grow.

1 in 6 children and young people have a diagnosable mental health problem, and many more struggle with challenges from bullying to bereavement. Whether you're someone who works with children, a parent or carer, passionate about spreading the word, or keen to raise vital funds for Place2Be, you can help reach as many people as possible.



### Support Balloon

This activity from Place2Be's Art Room team can help children think about who supports them to grow.

[WATCH VIDEO](#)



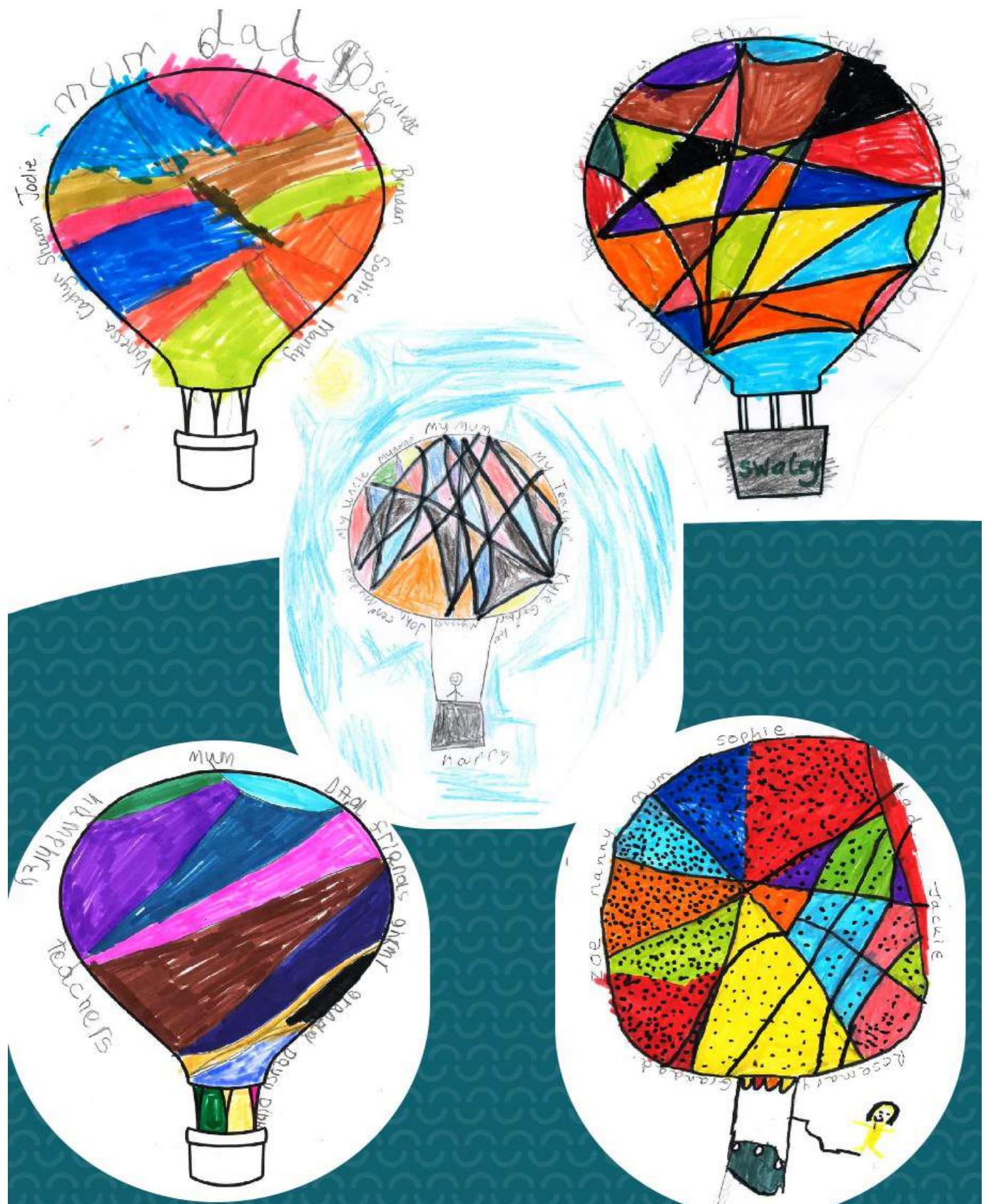
### My Changing Shapes

This activity supports young people to look back at their past growth. Created by Place2Be's Art Room team.

[WATCH VIDEO](#)

## Children's Mental Health Week Pathfield School's Support Balloons

We made wonderful hot air balloons to think about our support networks and how this can lift us up. Who would be on your Support Balloon and what would it be like to be lifted by your Support Balloon and taken on a journey?



**NEW SUPPORT SESSIONS  
FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS  
WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS**

**WEDNESDAY MORNINGS:  
10.00-11:00AM**

**TARKA TENNIS CENTRE,  
BARNSTAPLE**

**CLASS £6.00 PER PERSON**

**WORKIT**  
WITH A CIRCUIT

## **Pathfield School Vacancies**

<https://www.pathfield.devon.sch.uk/news/category/vacancies-and-volunteering/>

### **Mealtimes Assistant**

**Salary £9.43 per hour**

**Job Term Permanent**

**Hours per week 7.5 (working daily Monday—Friday between 12noon and 1.30pm)**

**Weeks per annum 38**

Would you be able to support me and my friends at Pathfield School between 12 noon and 1.30 each day?

We have SEN and need help to eat our dinner, learn how to play and socialise, access lunchtime clubs and to take care of our personal needs whilst promoting our independence.



### **Teaching Assistant - Grade C**

**Salary £9.81 -£10.21 per hour**

**Job Term Permanent**

**Hours per week 28.75**

**Weeks per annum 40**

**Closing Date 14th February 2022**

Pathfield School is a vibrant learning environment inspiring interaction, achievement and independence.

A sound knowledge and understanding of learning opportunities in a Special School is desirable. You will need to evidence how you would support learning to maximise pupil progress and how you would present professionally at all times. An ability to positively accept and follow direction is essential in order to maximise pupil learning and contribute to an inspiring learning environment.

## Please drive carefully

May we please remind our parents and carers to slow down while driving along the school. We have noticed some very fast cars recently.

A slower car is a safer car, particularly when children may be crossing the road. Please adhere to a slow speed limit so you can stop your car on time should you need to. We need to keep our pupils and staff safe.

The learning doesn't have to start on the school premises. Teach your kids as much as you can about road safety as possible. Set a good example as a parent, considerate and observant driver. Thank you.



## Lunch Menu w/c 14/02

Week 3  
03/01, 24/01, 14/02, 14/03, 04/04

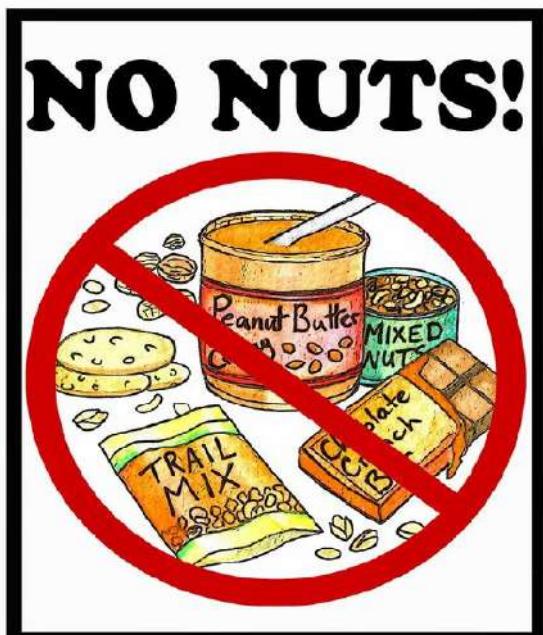
Mon	Chicken stew & dumplings Lentil lasagne Creamed potato or pasta Peas & swede  Carrot cake & custard Yoghurt or fresh fruit
Tues	Chilli & rice Leek and mushroom pasta bake Carrots & green beans  Custard biscuit & custard Yoghurt or fresh fruit
Wed	Roast Gammon & Pineapple Broccoli and cauliflower bake Roast potatoes or pasta Brussel sprouts & swede  Shortbread & custard Yoghurt or fresh fruit
Thurs	Quiche Lorraine Jacket potato & cheese Mixed vegetables  Jam sponge & custard Yoghurt or fresh fruit
Fri	Fish cakes Cheese wheels Chips or pasta & peas  Flapjack & custard Yoghurt or fresh fruit

## We are a Nut Free School

Just a reminder that we are a Nut Free School.

We ask for parent's / carer's help in making appropriate choices for their children's snacks and lunches. Please do not bring to school anything that includes nuts as we have a number of children and staff who have severe nut allergies. This includes chocolate spreads, e.g. Nutella.

Thank you for keeping our school safe.



# Pathfield School Term Dates: 2021-22 Academic Year

School Holidays		Training Days (no school)					Bank Holidays				
		Weekends					Pathfield School Queen's Platinum Jubilee day				
		Sep-21					Oct-21				
Monday		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25	
Tuesday		7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26	
Wednesday	1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27	
Thursday	2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28	
Friday	3	10	17	24			1	8	15	22	29
Saturday	4	11	18	25			2	9	16	23	30
Sunday	5	12	19	26			3	10	17	24	31
		Dec-21					Jan-22				
Monday		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	31
Tuesday		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	
Wednesday	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26	
Thursday	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27	
Friday	3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28	
Saturday	4	11	18	25	1		8	15	22	29	
Sunday	5	12	19	26	2		9	16	23	30	
		Mar-22					Apr-22				
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Saturday	5	12	19	26			2	9	16	23	30
Sunday	6	13	20	27			3	10	17	24	
		Jun-22					Jul-22				
Monday		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25	
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# Pathfield School Term Dates: 2022-23 Academic Year

School Holidays		Training Days (no school)					Bank Holidays				
		Weekends					Pathfield School Queen's Platinum Jubilee day				
		Sep-22					Oct-22				
Monday		5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31
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