



Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the final newsletter of the academic year! And it is a bumper edition with lots to celebrate over the last few weeks.

Year 5 and 6 had a fantastic Activities Week, which included bodyboarding and surfing lessons in Bude, a trip to Bristol where they visited the MShed Museum and SS Great Britain and an overnight camp on Halwill School grounds. Lots of wonderful memories were made.





On the Friday of Activities Week, the whole Federation came together at Halwill School and experienced an awesome science day delivered by Wonderstruck. There were lots of bangs and explosions alongside a very clear and simple scientific explanation. I am sure it has inspired some scientists of the future.



The weather was kind to us and we had a fantastic Sports Day, with all children from Pre-school to Y6, aiming high and being resilient. Also, lovely to see was the way the older children took care of the younger children. It was wonderful to welcome so many parents and wider family members to enjoy the afternoon.



The Open Evening and Summer Concert were a huge success. Many parents and wider family commented on how much they enjoyed seeing their children's work. A huge well done to the musicians who displayed their skills and progress. The recorder playing by Key Stage 2 demonstrated how well the children have taken on board Miss Ruth Hayes' instruction. We are very lucky to be able to offer specialist music lessons from Miss Hayes who trained at the Royal College of Music. This singing and dancing was also excellent.



The most bitter-sweet moment has arrived, when we say goodbye to our Year 6 Leavers. The children shared their beautifully written memories with feeling. The musical interludes were also excellent.



Year 6 Leavers, you have been outstanding! Always embodying our motto: aiming high, being resilient and taking care of others. We value a holistic education in the Federation and academics are an important part of this because helping a child achieve their academic potential gives them choices for the future. I am really proud of how hard the children have worked to achieve some excellent SATs results. Well done to them all and thank you to the teachers and teaching assistants who have supported and challenged them along their journey. A special thank you to Miss Frayn who demonstrated her own 'aim high' attitude in enabling the children to make such superb progress.



Reports went home last week. I hope you found them useful and informative. Thank you to the teachers who put a lot of time and effort in to writing these.

Reception, Y1 & 2 had an amazing time at the Eden Project last week.





Uniform

Ashwater – Please complete an order form and return to the school office or email. We will text you when uniform is available to collect during the holidays.

<https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/ashwater-primary-school/parents/uniform-ordering/>

A reminder that from September, we will be reinforcing the expectation that long hair is tied up.



Wild Tribe

Wild Tribe will be on Friday mornings. The plan for the year is as follows:

Aut i Class 2

Aut ii Class 1

Spr i Class 2

Spr ii Class 1

Sum i Class 2

Sum ii Class 1



On Wild Tribe days, please can children bring in waterproofs to wear over school clothes and wellington boots. If they don't have waterproofs then some other long clothing to cover arms and legs (not jeans) should be sent in.

Wild Tribe will commence on Friday 13th September

Staff News

After 7 years, Sarah Revers will be moving on from her role as the Federation Systems Administrator, based at Halwill School. I have worked very closely with Sarah over the majority of this time and her efficiency and humour will be greatly missed. I would like to thank Sarah for her hard-work and dedication to the Federation and I am sure you will join me in wishing Sarah every success in the future.

After a rigorous recruitment process, through which we interviewed a number of very strong candidates, I am pleased to tell you that we have appointed Ceren Brooker to the role. Ceren has significant administration experience and within an education setting. Sarah will work alongside Ceren for the first few weeks in September to ensure a smooth handover.

I am pleased to tell you that earlier this term, Ailie Wilson, Ashwater Administrator, took on the role of Health & Safety and Educational Visits Co-ordinator. Ailie has been orchestrating all the trips and visits the children have undertaken this term and made sure that all were fully risk assessed. Thank you to Ailie for all her hard work with this.

Congratulations to Catherine Gee, Federation Maths Lead. Mrs Gee has been recommended for accreditation as a Maths School Development Lead through the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics (NCETM). Mrs Gee has already had a great impact on the Maths development at both schools so this is well deserved.



71st Ashwater Agricultural Show Saturday 17th August



Please do come along to the Ashwater Agricultural Show on Saturday 17th August. The school will be there with a stand.

There is something for the whole family this year.



Numbots



We are really excited to introduce the Numbots online learning platform to our children at the Carey Federation. This is in addition to Mathletics or Mathseeds which will also be set as weekly homework.

What is Numbots?

Numbots has been designed and produced by the same company as TTRockstars which we have been using for a few years now. Numbots supports children in fluency with subitising, doubling, halving, number bonds, addition and subtraction. It is done in a fun way so that the children do not realise that they are learning these facts. We have chosen this platform as it is widely used around the world and has won many awards. It has very good reviews and has been proven to support children in learning the facts identified above.

The game is aimed at boosting addition and subtraction skills for all aged children from EYFS through to Key Stage 2. All children start at the same place in Story mode, and when they get to a certain stage, they will unlock Challenge mode. The idea is that they play little and often, and this will significantly improve their understanding of number bonds and addition and subtraction facts. We recommend that they play for five minutes three to four times a week.

What next...?

Your children should have come home with your child's unique Username and Password. If they already have a login for TTRockstars, they can use the same one for TTRockstars.

The games can be accessed online by going to <https://play.numbots.com/#/account/school-login/17303> for NumBots. All you need to do then is enter your child's username and password.

If you would prefer, an App is available for download on all android and Apple devices

If you would like further information about TimesTables Rockstars or Numbots there are user guides available and these have been added to your child's Class Dojo account.

Please contact Miss Gee via the school's admin email if you experience any difficulties with your login or need any further support.



Federation Trip to Mary Poppins; Theatre Royal Plymouth

Following the success of the trip to see Aladdin, we have organised a whole Federation trip to see the stage show of Disney's Mary Poppins the Musical on Wednesday 26th March 2025. Again, we have managed to secure exceptionally reasonably priced tickets. Further information will follow nearer the time.

First Day of Autumn Term

The children return to school on Wednesday 4th September 2024. May I take this opportunity to thank all the staff, children, parents and governors for all your support in making this another fantastic year. Wishing you all a very happy and safe holiday.

Please see the end of the newsletter for lots of summer activities including summer camps, reading challenges a photo challenge and exhibition from Ashwater church for all ages



Safeguarding at Ashwater

The Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs R Alford

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs Gee

Miss Frayn

Mrs R Cawsey—SENDCo

Attendance Officer:

Miss S Revers

Safeguarding Governor:

Mrs A Clark

Safeguarding

Remember if you have any issues regarding Safeguarding that you wish to raise, please email: safeguarding@halwill.devon.sch.uk These will come directly to a safeguarding lead.

Agriculture is the only high risk industry that has to deal with the constant presence of children. As a parent there are a number of things you can do to help prevent your child having an accident - the following checklist should help.

Farm safety checklist for parents

- have a safe and secure play area for young children
 - prevent children from playing in or around farmyards and livestock
 - make sure your vehicles have good all-round visibility
 - prevent all children under 13 years from riding on tractors and farm machinery
 - restrict the use of the quad and provide suitable safety equipment
 - secure all heavy wheels, gates, heavy equipment and stacked materials to prevent them from toppling over
 - ensure your slurry lagoon is securely fenced to prevent children from gaining access and make sure tank covers are always in place
 - always keep children well away when mixing slurry
 - keep track of where family members are playing or working and when they are expected back
 - make sure everyone washes their hands before eating and drinking
 - keep chemicals locked in a secure store when not in use
 - make sure that guards are in place to prevent access to dangerous parts of machinery
 - make sure all family members know what to do in an emergency
- prepare a list of emergency contact telephone numbers

Click here for advice: https://youtu.be/MY84GesnyzU?si=hHuqcDZ_b4QZrSNY



Dates for your diary:

September

3rd *Non-pupil day*

4th *Start of term*

September

28th to 1st Nov *Half Term*

November

4th *Non-pupil day*

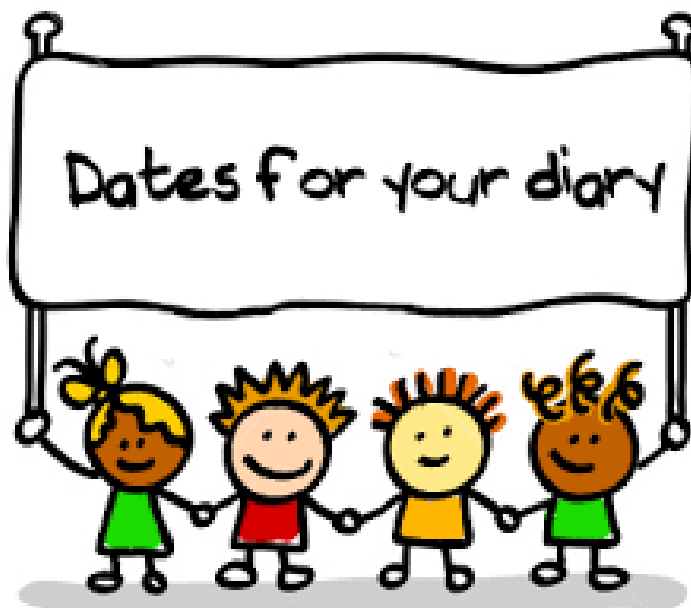
December

19th *End of term*

January

6th *Start of term*

Term dates: <https://www.thecareyfederation.co.uk/ashwater-primary-school/parents/term-dates/>



IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR PARENTS – NEW WORKING ENTITLEMENTS!

Dear Parents,

The new entitlements for eligible working parents, or those with caring responsibilities, will be extended to children from 9 months from September 2024. It is your responsibility to check if you are entitled, make an application before 31st August, and reconfirm every 3 months.

[Check you're eligible for free childcare if you're working - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

It is important that if you have a child who will be 9 months old, on or before 31st August 2024, that you apply to HMRC (Childcare Service) in good time.

Please set-up or visit your [Gateway Account](#) immediately to apply.

Please note that you may not be able to apply for the working entitlement funding immediately if you have a Tax-Free Childcare (TFC) account. We have been advised that you will be able to apply when you receive your TFC reconfirmation reminder or HMRC will issue a temporary code.

If you have recently reconfirmed your TFC and not made an application, please ensure that you are due to reconfirm again before the 31st of August deadline.

It is important that you allow time for any queries with new applications or reconfirmations to avoid delays. Any codes issued by HMRC in September 2024 **will not be funded** in Autumn 2024 (1st September – 31st December). A code with an 'eligible from' date of 1st September 2024 will not be funded until Spring 2025 and only then if you reconfirm by 31st December 2024.

The dates of your code are important, and you must reconfirm every 3 months to confirm eligibility and continue to access your funded childcare!

If you have a previous application for an older sibling, please check the eligibility dates of any new codes for a younger child as the reconfirmation dates can be aligned to the older child which could mean you need to reconfirm before the normal 3-month reconfirmation period.

If you have a code for an older child that needs to be reconfirmed, this should also be completed **now**, and if you are unsure, it is your responsibility to log into your [Gateway Account](#) and check. If you are newly eligible or are given a new code at reconfirmation, you need to take your 11-digit code to your provider who will complete a verification check and then confirm your funded space.

When eligibility ends, children who have accessed the working entitlements can continue to access their entitlement in the next funding period when in the Grace Period. However, children, who are newly eligible in September and using the working entitlements for the first time, or start at a new setting, cannot start to use the funding if their eligibility has ended. The Grace Period does not apply to children that have not used the working entitlements with the provider in the previous funding period.

If the Grace period does not apply, or your Grace period ends, the working entitlement will also end. If you continue to use childcare, you will be charged.

If you are registering for a new Gateway account with HMRC, you will be asked if you would like to register for Tax Free Childcare. If you are in receipt of Tax Credits these may be stopped, and it can take several weeks to reapply and for Tax Credits to be reinstated.

If you have problems accessing the system or completing your check, please call the HMRC Helpdesk on 0300 1234 097 (your provider and Devon County Council cannot assist with new applications or reconfirmations for the Working Entitlements).

Devon Early Years are running some online sessions for parents in July to give an overview on what funding is available, how you apply for different funding streams and how your child can access funded time. Please save the links below to join a session that suits you:

[Wednesday 3rd July 10.00 am -11.00 am](#)

[Monday 8th July 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm](#)

[Thursday 11th July 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm](#)

You may be able to access further help with childcare costs. Please visit the [Childcare Choices Website](#).

Kind regards,

Devon Early Years Funding

Childcare
Choices

All the government
childcare offers in one place

childcarechoices.gov.uk



 HM Government

Holiday Requests

Please see the following message which we have been asked to share with you by Devon County Council:

We believe that in order for a pupil to fully benefit from their education, good attendance is crucial.

As of September 2013, an amendment to the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006 came in to force and greater clarity was introduced to the issue of schools authorising absence requests. These changes reinforced the Government's view that every minute of every school day is vital and that pupils should only be granted authorised absences by the school in 'exceptional circumstances'.

A family holiday is not normally considered by the Government to be an 'exceptional circumstance' and therefore will not be authorised by the school.

Should you choose to take your child out of school without the authorisation of the school, then Parental Responsibility Measures could be instigated. This could mean receiving any of the following;

- *A Penalty Notice*
- *A summons to the Magistrate Court which could result in a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a term of imprisonment for up to 3 months.*

Schools are required to notify the Local Authority if a pupil has a number of unauthorised absences. Unauthorised absences can be acquired when;

- 1) *Leave has been requested, but the circumstances are such that the school is unable to authorise the leave and it is taken anyway.*
- 2) *Leave is not requested and/or the school has grounds to believe that the child has been taken out of school for an avoidable reason (example – a family holiday). Only the Head teacher can authorise an absence. This year there have been occasions when schools have been notified that the pupil is sick, but the school later discovers and reasonably believes that the reason given for the absence is not genuine.*
- 3) *A child continually arrives late after the registration period has closed.*

Schools need to notify the Local Authority in all of the circumstances listed above.

Should a Penalty Notice be issued as a result of unauthorised absence then one notice will be issued to each parent/carer for each child involved. Currently, each Penalty Notice is for £120, which is reduced to £60 if paid within the first 21 days. If a Penalty Notice goes unpaid after 28 days, then court proceedings will be initiated.

We understand the disappointment that the refusal of a leave request may cause, but as you can appreciate this policy represents the school's responsibility and commitment towards providing your child's education and supporting their future life opportunities.

COULD YOUR CHILD BE ENTITLED TO A SUBSIDY TOWARDS THE COST OF RESIDENTIAL OR DAY TRIPS, SPORTING EVENTS, SCHOOL UNIFORM, EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, BREAKFAST CLUB, AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AS WELL AS FREE SCHOOL MEALS IN KS2?

If you are in receipt of any of the following, your child could be entitled to a subsidy towards the cost of the above:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).
- Income Support (IS).
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA).
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA).
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income that does not exceed £16,190).

Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment you get for a further 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).

Please apply even if your child is in Foundation, Year 1 or Year 2 and receives a meal under the Universal Infant Free School Meals Scheme. As well as financially benefiting as described above, your child may receive additional learning support where appropriate because of the additional funding that school receives from Government for known free school meals pupils.

How to apply

Through the Citizen Portal (https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal_live) which is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in you getting an instant decision.

Parents and carers can also ring the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.



CELEBRATE
HISTORIC ASHWATER CHURCH
HELP US CREATE A
“SNAPSHOT IN TIME 2024”

A community exhibition of ‘your’ photos
of our Church taken in 2024 from
inside, outside, near and far!

SATURDAY 7TH SEPT
BE CREATIVE!

Open to all ages, clubs and individuals

For details of how to get involved, see our website

www.ashwaterparishchurch.com or

contact Derek on 07850 279376.

Any funds raised in aid of repairs to the Church roof
damaged during winter storms

Saturday 7th September 11.00 am to 4.00 pm

A Snapshot in Time 2024

AN EXHIBITION OF YOUR PHOTOGRAPHS AT ASHWATER CHURCH

HAVE FUN. TAKE THEM INSIDE, OUTSIDE, CLOSE UP OR FAR AWAY

ALL PHOTOS WILL BE MOUNTED BY US AND DISPLAYED BY US ON THE DAY

PLEASE MAY WE HAVE

2 X BLACK AND WHITE OR COLOUR PHOTOS

PRINTED ON 6" X 4" OR 8" X 10"

So get snapping!!

OLD PHOTOS OF THE CHURCH AND OF EVENTS HELD AT THE CHURCH WILL BE WELCOME

FOR DISPLAY ON THE "HISTORY TABLE"

PLEASE LEAVE YOUR PHOTOS IN A MARKED NAMED ENVELOPE IN THE EVENT COLLECTION BOX INSIDE THE CHURCH

BY FRIDAY 30 AUGUST 2024.

HISTORIC ASHWATER CHURCH

A Snapshot in Time 2024

Photographic Challenge

A community exhibition of "your" photographs of the Church
at our Church

Free entrance

Saturday 7th Sept 2024, 11.00 am to 4.00 pm

Open to all ages, to clubs and individuals

Also

History Table, Bell-ringing, Music and Refreshments, Historic Hats, Treasure Hunt, Archive Photos

Fund raising for roof storm damage repair

Donations to Collection Buckets instead of rainwater on the day

Other donations welcome!



JESS'S DANCE ACADEMY



HATHERLEIGH

Community Centre
EX20 3HB ★ Free parking ★
Suitable for boys & girls

MONDAYS

3:15-3:45pm TINY TOES BALLET (ages 3-5)
3:45-4:15pm BALLET for Schl Yrs Receptn, 1, 2
4:15-4:45pm STREET Dance Yrs Receptn, 1 & 2
4:45-5:15pm STREET DANCE for School Yr 3-8
Children's Classes: to be paid in a 5 week
half-termly block of £20 (£4 per class)

5:30-6:15pm ADULT DANCE FIT £6 or 4 for £20

BRADWORTHY

Memorial Hall
EX22 7SZ ★ Free parking ★
Suitable for boys & girls

WEDNESDAYS

3:40-4:10pm BALLET for Schl Yrs R 1 & 2
4:10-4:40pm STREET Dance Schl Yrs R, 1 & 2
4:40-5:10pm BALLET for Schl Yrs 3, 4, 5, 6
5:10-5:40pm STREET Dance Schl Yrs 3 4 5 6
£4 per class, paid in a half or termly block.

★ Tuesdays: 6-7pm Bradworthy Hall
Adult Dance Fit, £6 weekly or 4 for £20

→ Interested in booking a workshop? Contact me to register your interest and see what other workshops I offer ←

About *Jessica Squire Dance*: Fully insured, enhanced DBS checked, safeguarding and first aid certified. Jess has over 10 years experience teaching dance: in schools, dance schools, toddler classes, hen parties, wedding dances. She trained in RAD Ballet & ISTD Modern Dance, has a Degree in Dance & English and was a professional dancer at *Disneyland Paris* & *Haven Holidays*.

ADVANCED BOOKING ESSENTIAL - BOOK NOW: limited spaces!

A letter with payment details & more info will be sent to those who sign up. For more info & to

BOOK CONTACT Jess on: 07746892660 email: jessicasquire.perform@gmail.com

Why not visit: www.jessicasquire.co.uk or check out Facebook page: Jessica Squire Dance

SUMMER PROGRAMME



LJD COACHING



At 4 Weeks of Fun in July/August
Stratton Primary School
Monday - Thursday during the summer holidays.
For children aged 4 to 12.
Multi-Sports with Dance, Music, Arts & Crafts, Lego and more...

Free for Free School Meals Children

If your child is in receipt of free school meals they can attend every day for FREE by claiming your free school meal voucher through this link: <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/time2move>



ONLY £10 for children living in Bude & Stratton

Pupils of Bude and Stratton schools, discounts are applied on booking. If you don't go to a Bude or Stratton school but live in Bude or Stratton constituency you can claim a refund from Bude-stratton Town Council office after the programme.



Free Breakfast and Lunch For All Children
All children who attend will receive a free light breakfast (if required) and lunch (with hot and cold options) on the day. Please let us know of any dietary requirements or if you wish to send your child with a packed lunch.

Multi-Sport, Dance, Music, Arts & Crafts Lego and more...

Multi Sports offers your child a huge range of sports, physical activities and alternative activities in a safe, fun, inclusive environment for all.



£25

**BOOK AS FEW
OR AS MANY
SESSIONS
AS YOU LIKE!**

**9:00am
-
2:00pm**

Session Dates

WK1: 29th, 30th, 31st July, 1st August
WK2: 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th August
WK3: 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th August
WK4: 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd August

Book Now Using the Link or QR Code

<https://www.playwaze.com/ljd-coaching/e85aljhvpv5l/community-details>



LAUNCESTON RUGBY CLUB



Summer Camp

ARE YOU A FUTURE
CORNISH ALL BLACK?

LIKE ALEX

WHETHER YOU ARE AN
EXPERIENCED PLAYER OR
COMPLETELY NEW TO THE GAME,
OUR RUGBY CAMPS ARE
SUITABLE FOR PLAYERS OF ALL
ABILITIES OF AGES 8-15.

AGES 8-15

JULY - 30TH & 31ST
AUGUST - 20TH & 21ST

PRICES

1 DAY - £28

2 DAYS - £54

3 DAYS - £78

4 DAYS - £100

ALL INCLUDE A LUNCH
ON THE DAY

TO BOOK, PLEASE COMPLETE
OUR ONLINE FORM

AGES 8-11

[CLICK HERE](#)

AGES 12-15

[CLICK HERE](#)



LAUNCESTON
RUGBY CLUB

Holsworthy Cricket Club



YOUTH ACADEMY

Open to All Abilities

Year 1 — Year 6

Summer Holiday



Softball Cricket Camps

9.30am -- 2.30pm

Stanhope Park, Holsworthy, EX22 6FP

Tuesday 30th July

Tuesday 6th August

Tuesday 13th August

Tuesday 20th August

Tuesday 27th August

£12 per day per child

—Book all 5 days for £50—

For more information please contact Dan Marks at:
holsworthycricketclub1873@gmail.com or 07719 337218



PLYMOUTH ARGYLE ACADEMY

OPEN SESSIONS

UNDER 6 & 7 (SCHOOL YEAR 1 & 2)

PLYMOUTH

Date Friday, 21 June 2024

Venue Marjon Sports Centre, 3G Astro Turf

Capacity 100 spaces

Time 5.30-7.00pm



NEW DATE ADDED!

SOUTH DEVON

Date Friday, 5 July 2024

Venue Devon County FA, 3G Astro Turf

Capacity 70 spaces

Time 5.30-7.00pm



EAST CORNWALL

Date Friday, 12 July 2024

Venue Brannel School, 3G Astro Turf

Capacity 60 spaces

Time 5.30-7.00pm



PENRYN

Date Tuesday, 16 July 2024

Venue Penryn College, 3G Astro Turf

Capacity 60 spaces

Time 5.30-7.00pm



OKEHAMPTON

Date Thursday, 18 July 2024

Venue Ashbury Golf Hotel, 3G Astro Turf

Capacity 60 spaces

Time 6.00-7.30pm



THE
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2024

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code for more information and details of how to register.**

SUMMER SCHOOL CREATIVES



Workshop opportunities for young people aged 8 - 14

Focusing on a story local to North Devon and working in residence with an art form specialist, young people will develop their skills and knowledge in their choice of visual art, storytelling or photography + film.

- Online registration beaford.org/events/ssc
- Cost is £50 per day
- Discounts/Bursary available

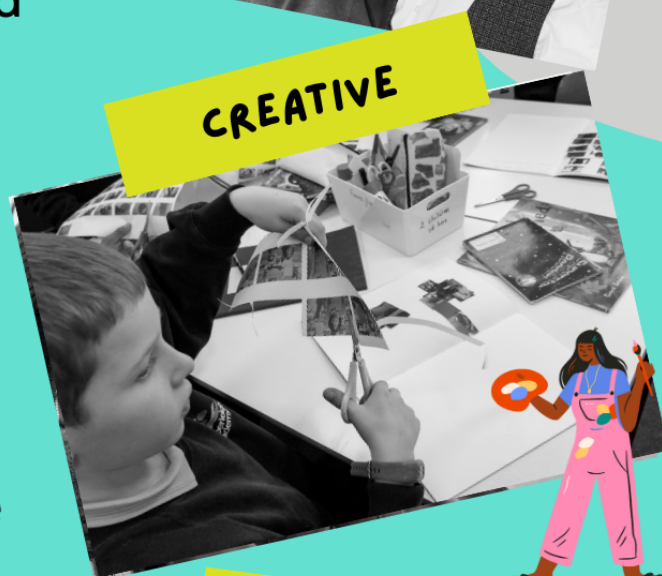
Weekdays 24th – 31st July
2nd – 4th September
9:30am to 4:30pm

Bridge Chambers, The Strand
Barnstaple, EX31 1HB

NB These courses will only go ahead if there's sufficient uptake - please spread the word!

Booking deadlines:

Book for July courses by 17th July
Book for September courses by 12th August



Queries to caroline@beaford.org



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