



# Weekly Parent Bulletin

Week commencing Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020

## Inspiration Day

The school council are really excited to announce that on the last day of this half term (the 14th of February) we will be holding an 'inspirational people day'. This is to fundraise for one of our school charities: The North Devon Hospice. We are joining in with the hospice's annual pitch in a pound day so we are asking each child to bring in a pound which will go straight to this fantastic local charity. The dress theme is people who inspire you. This could be someone that you know from your family or community or someone that you aspire to be like when you grow up. Prizes will be awarded for more thoughtful outfit by the school council and will be announced in the first assembly back after half term. We are really looking forward to this great day and we hope you are too!

## Devon Ability Games

What a fabulous day of inclusive sport the children had at the Devon Ability Games 2020. Following the opening ceremony they took part in the primary school festival, trying out lots of different fun activities and skills. After lunch, they were able to take part in several different taster sports like fencing, laser shooting and their favourite the wheelchair basketball!



# Forest School Timetable 2020



Monday -  
Tuesday -  
Wednesday -  
Thursday -  
Friday -

LLO am EFI pm  
BPH am HPE pm  
HAE am DSM pm  
RPR am  
ABA am Nursery pm



Please remember that wellies or old shoes and spare socks are needed every week.

**Does anyone have any wellies that have been outgrown? We are looking for donations please.**

## Growth Mindset Celebrations

Inaya Aslam (JMU)  
Ava Santos Almeida (HPE)  
Edward Punga (LLO)  
Jonah Large (EFI)  
Maddison Cowill (TRG)  
Mia Mcmanus (MPA)  
Ella Smith (Nursery)  
Chloe Redmore (TSU)

Albert Slee (BPH)  
Netty Forest (MTO)  
Bobby Jenkins (DMO)  
Luke Higgs (RPR)  
Robin Percy (DSM)  
Brooklyn Jenkins (HAE)  
Phoebe Hawkins (ABA)  
Lily Oldfield (RGA)



## Netball


Our netball team took part in the Park School tournament today. They played some great netball beating Ashleigh and Bishops Tawton. A very strong Landkey team finished in top spot. We were very impressed by our team's perseverance, they all fought bitterly to the end. Well done team! and thanks for the parental support from the sidelines.



# Weekly Diary from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2020

	School Day events	Lunchtime Clubs	After School Clubs	Evenings & Weekends
Mon	Track Challenge Week  Additional Piano Lessons 1:40-2:40pm	Yr 3/4 Cross Country	Gym Club Yr 2  Yr 6 Football friendly at Park (selected team)  Italian Club (1)	
Tues	Guitar Group 2-3pm	KS2 Choir  Advanced Recorder Club  Yr3/4 Activity Club  Intermediate Recorder Club	Flute Club  Gym Competition Practise (by invite)	
Weds	Year 1 Book and a Biscuit 3pm	Yr 5/6 Cross Country	Gym Club- Yr 5/6  Yr 5/6 Hockey	Open evening for Reception-Year 5 4:30-6:30pm
Thurs	Year 3 Swimming (5)  Cricket Coach- BPH (9-9:45)  Cricket Coach- HAE (10-11)  Pupil Librarians at Barnstaple Library	Yr 1/2 Cross Country	Drama club 3:30-4:30  Yr 3/4 Golf Club (DMO/MTO)	
Fri	Piano Lessons 1:40-2:40pm  Inspiration Day- non-uniform	Yr 5/6 Activity Club	After School bake sale for ND Hospice	Bingo
Sat				Slimming World
Sun				Coastal Community Church (am)

## Menu from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2020

	Main	Vegetarian	Pudding
Mon	Homemade pepperoni pizza bagel served with potato twisters and mixed vegetables	Homemade margherita pizza bagel served with potato twisters and mixed vegetables	Creamy banana Angel Delight mousse
Tues	<b><u>From the Grill:</u></b> Bacon, sausage, hash brown, baked beans, sautéed mushrooms and bread and butter	<b><u>From the Grill:</u></b> Grilled halloumi, veggie sausage, hash browns, baked beans, sautéed mushrooms and bread and butter	Fresh blueberry muffin
Weds	Fresh gammon served with croquet potatoes, sliced carrots and green beans	Homemade cheese and onion quiche served with croquet potatoes, sliced carrots and green beans	Alabama fudge cake
Thurs	<b><u>Taco Thursday:</u></b> Slow cooked pulled pork in a BBQ sauce served on a bed of lettuce in a taco shell with herby potatoes, peas or sweetcorn	Veggie style chicken in a sweet chilli sauce served on a bed of lettuce in a taco shell with herby potatoes, peas or sweetcorn	Strawberry jelly and cream
Fri	<b><u>End of term bag meal:</u></b> Breaded small fry alongside golden fries and cucumber sticks	<b><u>End of term bag meal:</u></b> Veggie ¼ pounded alongside golden fries and cucumber sticks	Homemade valentine day biscuits 

Payments for dinners can be made online at [schoolgateway.com](http://schoolgateway.com) or cash in advance/on the day

Jacket potato with beans & cheese is available most days.

Please place your order each morning

**Some of our food contains allergens (which are closely monitored). If you have any concerns please speak to a member of staff.**

## Important Dates

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February- Track Challenge Week

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February- Reception-Year 5 Open Evening

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March: Inspiration Day

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February-Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February half term**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March- Book Week

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March- Year 6 Reports out to parents,

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March Year 6 Mock Sats Week

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March- Sport relief day

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March week - Life education van

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March- Year 6 Parents Evening (late)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March- Year 6 Parents Evening (early)

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March- Non-Pupil Day

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March-Reception- Year 5 reports out to parents, Easter Disco

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March-Last Day of Term**

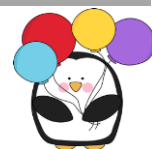
**Easter Holidays (Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April)**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April- Term Starts**

**Open Evening for Reception – Year 5 Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 3:30-5:00pm**

## Happy Birthday

Daniel Higgs, Luke Higgs, Skyla Harley, Seth Hook, Charlie Roddis, Jacob Buxton, Isabelle Castle, Netty Forrest, Arlo McDonald, Leo Pearson, Eric Woolmer, Joshua Ozelton, Riley Roddis




## Star Class - Attendance

**MTO**

**100%**



# Gymnastics and Gym Club

<p><b>February 2020</b></p> <p>Mon 10<sup>th</sup> – JMU &amp; HPE Wed 12<sup>th</sup> – HAE, DSM, RGA &amp; ABA</p> <p>Mon 24<sup>th</sup> – Year 1 &amp; 2 Competition Entrants Only Wed 26<sup>th</sup> – Year 3,4,5, &amp; 6 Competition Entrants Only</p>	
<p><b>March 2020</b></p> <p>Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> – LLO &amp; EFI Wed 4<sup>th</sup> – MTO, BPH, DMO, RPR &amp; TSU Mon 9<sup>th</sup> – JMU &amp; HPE Wed 11<sup>th</sup> – HAE, DSM, RGA &amp; ABA Mon 16<sup>th</sup> – LLO &amp; EFI Wed 18<sup>th</sup> – MTO, BPH, DMO, RPR &amp; TSU Wed 25<sup>th</sup> – HAE, DSM RGA &amp; ABA</p>	<p><b>April 2020</b></p> <p>Mon 20<sup>th</sup> – JMU &amp; HPE Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> – HAE, DSM, RGA &amp; ABA Mon 27<sup>th</sup> – LLO &amp; EFI Wed 29<sup>th</sup> – MTO, BPH, DMO, RPR &amp; TSU</p> <p><b>3.30 to 4.15 pm</b></p>

## PTFA

### PTFA Lotto Winners:

1<sup>st</sup> Phillipa Adams £15

2<sup>nd</sup> Pam Spear £10

3<sup>rd</sup> Lucy Shaddick £5

### New Committee Appointed:

Chair: Emma West

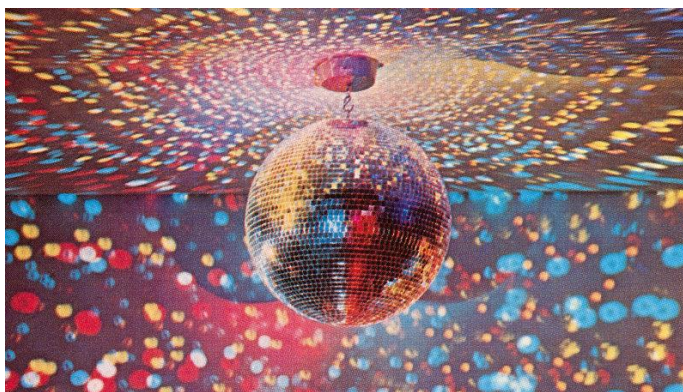
Secretary: Alex Rolls

Treasurer: Clare Leworthy

### Dates:

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March: Easter Disco

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March: Chocolate Easter Hampers





# Vacancies

## Welcome



Thank you for your interest in applying for the post of Site Caretaker.

Tarka Learning Partnership is a Multi Academy Trust at the heart of Barnstaple, North Devon. Comprising of 1 secondary school and 5 primary schools and 2 teaching school partnerships, plus 2 schools joining on 1st May 2020.

Due to the recent expansion of the Estates division, Tarka Learning Partnership is seeking to appoint two Site Caretakers to work in two of their schools. We are looking for individuals who take pride in their work, are committed and hardworking and would also have the skills to lead a small team of cleaning staff. The successful candidates will embrace our ethos of working together.

Previous experience of school caretaking is desirable although not essential.

Particular qualities we will be looking for are:

- An enthusiastic 'can do' approach
- An eye for detail
- A proactive thinker who is willing to share ideas for improvement
- Experience of general maintenance
- A good team player

The duties of a school Site Caretaker include:

- Opening and closing the school
- General maintenance and minor repairs
- Liaising with contractors
- Managing heating and alarm systems
- Security
- Basic cleaning
- Key holding
- H&S monitoring

### Eden Park Academy

Site Caretaker- Permanent Position

25 hours a week 52 weeks a year.

Working hours: 7:00am-9.30am and 15:30pm-6.00pm (split shift)

Grade D range £13212 - £14587 per annum

**Closing date: Friday 21st February 2020 - 12noon**

**Interviews: Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

### Newport Community School Primary Academy

Site Caretaker- Permanent Position

37 hours a week 52 weeks a year.

Working hours: 6.30am-9.50am and 2.00pm-6.00pm (split shift)

Grade D range £19554 – £21589 per annum

There is also the option of an additional 260 hours per annum to carry out Grounds Maintenance at Newport Community School Primary Academy. These hours are to be worked flexibly, at an hourly rate of £9.55 rising to £9.94, Grade C. Please indicate on your application if you are interested in the Grounds Maintenance additional hours.

**Closing date: Friday 21st February 2020 - 12noon**

**Interviews: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

Visits to the schools are warmly welcomed. Please contact the school direct to arrange a site visit on:

Newport Community School Primary Academy – 01271 376252

Eden Park Academy - 01271343214

The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All staff and volunteers are expected to share this commitment. The post is subject to an enhanced DBS check.

A job description, person specification and application can be found on the Trust's website:

<https://tarkatrust.org.uk/work-for-us/current-vacancies/>

## Current Vacancies:

**Position: Cleaner**

**Grade: A - £9 per hour**

**Hours: 10 hours per week 41 weeks per year (term time + non-pupil days + 2 weeks within the school holidays)**

**Start: ASAP**

**Closing: 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

**Interview: Week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

We are looking to appoint a highly motivated Cleaner to join our hardworking and dedicated premises team. You will be required to undertake the cleaning of designated areas within the school including toilets and outside areas to ensure a clean and safe learning environment.

Duties will include:

- Cleaning, washing, sweeping, dusting of classroom and emptying of bins
- Use of machinery in cleaning soft and hard surfaces, e.g. carpet cleaners, polishers & buffers

Experience would be desirable but not essential as full training will be given to the right candidate.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults, and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This role requires an enhanced DBS disclosure.

This role requires the ability to fulfil all spoken aspects of the role with confidence and fluency in English.

If you are interested in this vacancy please download and complete the application form and return by email to [emitchell@sticklepath.org.uk](mailto:emitchell@sticklepath.org.uk)



# Community News and Educational Opportunities

## February and March events at Barnstaple Library

Please see below for our February and March events at Barnstaple Library and FabLab.

FabLab Events: Book at [fablabdevon.org](http://fablabdevon.org)

### February

#### Monday 17th:

- 3D Printed Keychain  
1pm - 2pm £7.50 6-15yrs
- Laser Cut and Engraved Keepsake Box

2:30pm - 4:30pm £12.50 10-16yrs

#### Wednesday 19th:

- 3D Printed Face Scan  
11am - 12pm £7.50 6yrs+/All Ages

#### Thursday 20th:

- Vinyl Design for Fabric, T-shirt or Your choice  
2pm - 3pm £7.50 8-16yrs
- Laser cut Nameplate for Wall or Door  
4pm - 5:30pm £10 8+

#### Saturday 29th:

- 3D Printed Feminist Earrings or Pendant  
11am - 12pm £7.50 12yrs+

FabLab events for March Book at [fablabdevon.org](http://fablabdevon.org)

#### Saturday 14th:

- 3D printed 16gb USB Case  
11am - 12pm £10 10-16yrs
- 3D Printed Face Scan  
12:30pm - 1:30pm £7.50 6yrs+/All Ages

Monday 16th:

- Laser Cut and Engraved Keepsake Box  
2pm - 4pm £12.50 Adults

Thursday 19th:

- Record a Message Kit with 3D printing  
4pm - 6pm £15 13yrs+

February at Barnstaple Library

**Wednesday 5th February 2-4pm Banish the Winter Blues wellbeing event with One Barnstaple- Zen Den at the library-** Including Colouring and Coffee, relaxing treatments by The Body Shop, refreshments Also Banish the Computer Blues with help from our Digital Assist volunteers. Donations welcomed to help cover costs.

**Wednesday 12th February**

**Quiz Night with Barnstaple Library Friends Group**

Doors open 630 for 7pm start. Teams of up to 6. Book your team's place at the library. £6 per person includes first drink. Raffle on the night. Funds raised support library events and facilities.

**Thursday 13th February 2-3pm**

**Jane Austen: her life, work and money** - A talk by Jonathan Edmunds. Tickets £3 including refreshments. Booking essential.

**Thursday 13th February 3-4pm**

**A talk by Mary-Flowa Houldsworth (Flowa)**, a nurse and midwife with Médecins Sans Frontières/Doctors Without Borders (MSF).

Flowa worked in the Kunduz region of Afghanistan as an MSF nurse and midwife and will present her experience and the stories she heard of those who had been forced to flee their homes and become refugees.

Alongside the talk Flowa will have set up an example of a small area of a refugee camp including a tent. Tickets £3. Booking essential.

**Tuesday 18th February 10-12pm**

**Still Life Drawing Workshop with Julian Vayne from the Burton at Bideford.** Suitable for families with children 7 years and older. Free workshop - Booking essential.

**Wednesday 19th February 10-12pm**

**Lego Motorised Vehicles workshop with BrickIDEAS.** Suitable for 7-12 year olds. Tickets £5. Booking essential.

**Thursday 20th February 10-12pm**

**Half Term Drop-in crafts.** Donations welcomed to cover costs.

**Tuesday 25th February 2-3.30pm**

**Peter Christie talk-Organised by BFGs Friends of Barnstaple Library**

Reporting of folklore beliefs in the 19th Century. Tickets £3 per person from Barnstaple Library. All proceeds to Barnstaple Library Friends group. Refreshments provided.

**Thursday 27th February 2-3pm**

**A talk by Mary-Flowa Houldsworth (Flowa)**, a nurse and midwife with Médecins Sans Frontières/Doctors Without Borders (MSF).

Flowa worked in the Kunduz region of Afghanistan as an MSF nurse and midwife and will present her experience and the stories she heard of those who had been forced to flee their homes and become refugees.

Tickets £3. Booking essential. Please note there not be an example of a refugee camp at this talk.

Other Library events for March

**Monday 2nd March 4.30-5.15pm**

Storytime with Mama G - Panto dame Mama G shares stories with children and their families about being who you want to be. Free event (donations welcome) for children 3+ and their families. No need to book, just drop in.

**Every Wednesday 2-3pm**

**Wednesday Wanderers-Barnstaple Library**

Are you aged 55 and over? Want to enjoy the outdoors more? Want to be a bit more active? Join us for a friendly walk exploring the walking routes around Barnstaple and over the 12 weeks maybe make some new friends too.

Programme funded by Connecting Actively to Nature-Active Devon. Suggested donation of £2 per session to help cover costs. Book your place via [barnstaple.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk](mailto:barnstaple.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk) or on 01271 318780 or in person at library.

**Thursday 5th March 11-12pm**

**Treasures of the Stack** - To celebrate World Book Day 2020 enjoy a guided tour of the stack and access to some hidden treasures. Time included to browse and borrow stock. Tickets £6 to be booked in advance at the library.

**Monday 9th and 16th March 1.30-2.30pm - Book Start Corner**

A free two-week course for parents and preschool children to encourage a love of reading. Booking essential as places are limited.

**Wednesday 11th March 2-3.30pm**

**North Devon Savages- Talk with Peter Christie**

Tickets £2 from the library. All proceeds to the BFGs Barnstaple Library Friends Group.

**Friday 20th March 19.30-21.00**

**Live Screening of Simon Armitage from the British Library**

Enquire at Barnstaple Library to express your interest.

Free session but donations welcomed.



# Valentines



## Queen Anne's

Friday 14th February from 7.30pm

### On Arrival...

#### Glass of Prosecco & Canapes

Smoked Salmon Bagels, Bruschettas with Chorizo, Olives & Sun Dried Tomatoes,  
Red Pepper & Cheddar Fritattas

### To Follow

#### Pan Fried Fillets of Sea Bass

With Roasted Tomato & Garlic Sauce, New Potatoes and Vegetables

#### Slow Braised Flat Iron Beef Steak in Red Wine

Served with Herb Roasted New Potatoes & Vegetables

#### Mushroom, Brie & Cranberry Wellington

Served with Red Wine Reduction, Herb Roasted New Potatoes & Vegetables

### To Finish

#### Chocolate Torte

#### Raspberry & White Chocolate Cheesecake

#### West Country Cheese Board

**£29.50 pp**

*All Dishes are freshly prepared using local produce.*

*Alterations can be made for dietary requirements. Please advise when booking.*

Reservations: 01271 325232 or email: [queenannes@cafeonthestrand.co.uk](mailto:queenannes@cafeonthestrand.co.uk)

Queen Annes, The Strand, Barnstaple. EX31 1EU

A vibrant, colorful poster for the 'Xsite' event. The central graphic is a blue circle with the word 'Xsite' in a large, white, stylized font. Above the circle is the 'Scripture Union' logo, which consists of a flame icon and the text 'Scripture Union'. Surrounding the central circle are various colorful geometric shapes and icons: a purple cube with 'LEARN ABOUT JESUS', a pink triangle with 'BRING MATES', a green circle with 'FUN + GAMES' and a soccer ball, a blue cube with 'LIVE MUSIC', and a black circle with 'Ages 7 - 11'. There are also musical notes, a cross, and other small shapes scattered around. The background of the poster is a light gray with diagonal lines. The event details are listed in a white box at the bottom, and a blue footer contains information about the event's support.

**LEARN ABOUT JESUS**

**BRING MATES**

Scripture Union

**Xsite**

**Ages 7 - 11**

**FUN + GAMES**

**LIVE MUSIC**

**@ Trinity Church, Barnstaple,  
EX32 9HQ**

**Saturday Feb 15<sup>th</sup>**

**3:00 - 5:00pm**

**£2**

**With: Team Games, Amazing Crafts, Sweets, Live Band,  
Bible Talk and much more...**

**Please register with your local church or by contacting  
us directly: 07977867950 // [xsitendevon@gmail.com](mailto:xsitendevon@gmail.com)**

Xsite is a children's event supported and run by  
local churches in partnership with Scripture Union



Come and have  
**FUN** as a  
**FAMILY**

*(All children must be accompanied by an adult)*

Lo  e is...

*Come and enjoy  
crazy crafts,  
great games,  
magical music  
and fabulous food!*

**Date:** Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February

**Time:** 4-6pm

**Place:** Trinity Church, Barnstaple *(the one with the tower!)*



[office@trinitybarnstaple.org.uk](mailto:office@trinitybarnstaple.org.uk) /tel: 01271 374240

[contact us on:](#)

Facebook - Messy Church at Holy Trinity Barnstaple



# MONTHLY ***INCLUSIVE*** TENNIS FESTIVAL



**SATURDAYS 2.00pm - 4.00pm | INDOORS COURTS**

2 hours of fun tennis activities for kids & adults with both learning or physical disabilities.

**£5** or

**First session  
FREE**



**Saturday 15th Feb**  
**Saturday 14th Mar**  
**Saturday 18th Apr**  
**Saturday 16th May**  
**Saturday 20th Jun**  
**Saturday 18th Jul**

For more info please contact Lottie on [lottie@atlanticracquetcentre.co.uk](mailto:lottie@atlanticracquetcentre.co.uk)



EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE & UNDERSTANDING OF THE GAME

# SOCCER SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLUB

## 17TH - 21ST FEBRUARY



Come and join us this half term at soccer school.  
9am - 4pm everyday, dedicated to football.

**Girls & boys 4 - 14 years  
of all abilities**

**9am - 4pm**

**3G Pitch Tarka Tennis  
7 Brethren Bank  
Barnstaple  
EX31 2AP**

**Monday 17th Feb - Sam from GK ICON will be offering specialised GK training. 9am - 12pm**  
Contact Sam: 07473 924616



Romar Sports Development Players & Fremington Youth: £  
Early bird, book before 31st January: £17.50  
Day price: £20  
Full week deal: £75  
Sibling discount: 10% (use code 100FF at time of booking)

EXAMPLE DAY	
9AM - 10AM	Individual & team warm up games
10AM - 11AM	Learn skills like the pro's (basic to advanced)
11AM - 12AM	Shooting & finishing techniques & drills
12PM - 1PM	1 v 1's, 2 v 2's & mini matches
1PM - 1.45PM	Lunch fun
2PM - 4PM	World cup tournament, penalty shootout & competition



Our soccer schools give young footballers of all abilities the chance to learn & develop their skills and have a huge amount of fun with friends.

The days will be structured with different themes and lots of chances to win prizes with our challenges and games.

Whether your child is a complete beginner or an advance player, our coaches will adapt the sessions for the individual to ensure they are engaged and have a fantastic time.

For footballers who play regularly for a team and want to advance further we will also provide a new level of fun challenges and experiences.

We can't wait to see your footballers this February. **BOOK NOW, LIMITED SPACES!**



**BOOK ONLINE: [www.romarsports.com](http://www.romarsports.com) CONTACT US: [info@romarsports.com](mailto:info@romarsports.com) / 07850 341**

## TENNIS CAMPS 2020



*Learn the fundamentals of tennis whilst having fun, making new friends & playing games.  
Our dedicated, passionate & engaging coaches welcome all ages & abilities in the great location of Rock Park.*

### Dates

Feb half-term: 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> February  
Easter: 30<sup>th</sup> March – 9<sup>th</sup> April  
Summer: 27<sup>th</sup> July – 21<sup>st</sup> August

### Tiny Tots Camp

3 - 5 yr olds | 10 - 11am | £6 per day

### Junior Camp

5 - 14 yr olds | 10am – 1pm | £20 per day\*

### Location

Park Lane Tennis Club,  
Rock Park, Barnstaple EX32 9AH

To book email: [bookings@devonshiretennisacademy.com](mailto:bookings@devonshiretennisacademy.com)

[www.devonshiretennisacademy.com](http://www.devonshiretennisacademy.com)

**Bring a Friend  
or Sibling for  
FREE!\***

*\*For every full day purchased on our Junior Camp, bring a friend or sibling for free to either the Tiny Tots or the Junior Camp!*