



Bridestowe Primary School

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Summer Week 1: 20th April 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely Easter break, and we are pleased to welcome the children back to a very busy first week of the Summer Term!

This week, 11 of our Year 6s took part in the Federation residential to Heatree House, on Dartmoor. The children immensely enjoyed their time away and had many new and exciting experiences. They were able to try out kayaking, climbing, abseiling, mountain biking and archery. It was great to see the children being independent as well as working together, while also looking after and socialising with each other. As always with our Year 6 group, the behaviour was fantastic and there were several lovely comments from other teachers and instructors. Many of the children came back very tired on Wednesday, having really enjoyed their time away. 'Can't we stay for longer?' being a great question asked to Mr Parsley as we were packing our bags. Many of the Year 4s and 5s are now very much looking forward to their own residential later in the year.



On Thursday, the Owlets travelled to Dingles Fairground Attraction to learn about transport in the past. They had a very enjoyable day looking at living wagons and vehicles. They were amazed by how people lived in living wagons with their families as they were so small. Children even slept in a drawer underneath the parents' bed!



After lunch Owlets were able to use their 2p coins on the slot machines and were very excited to play these old games. Then the children went on the rides and had a fabulous time, shouting to go faster even though Ms Baker was too scared! They even found a rock left there for someone to find and hide again. This has inspired them to make their own rock artworks to hide for others to find. We would like to thank Brian Maddaford very much for his help on the day.



Today our Tag Rugby team had a very successful morning at the West Devon Finals, winning Bronze medals. Our children showed great enthusiasm, determination and sportsmanship as a team, and played some great energetic games on a very hot day. They even performed a celebration Haka at the end!

Best Wishes,
Mrs Suzie Stevens



Achievements

Care and Courtesy Cup: Caiden Amhof, Tom Perkins, Isla Egford

Behaviour: Travis Bruce, Jack Yardley, Jolie Taylor

Worker: Ben Ford, Cerys Eyre, Myla Spencer

Writing: Daniel Sullivan

Overall Team Point Winners: Cyclones

Outside Awards: Congratulations to Dylan Sullivan who passed his Rookie Lifeguard Bronze Stage 1 and 2, along with gaining his Shark 1 in swimming!



Diary Dates

April

23rd – Parent Consultations

25th – Parent Forum 9.15 – 10.15am

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25th – FoBS Meeting 7.30pm

May

7th – Bank Holiday

9th – Tempest Whole Class & Sport Photos

14th – 17th – Y6 SATS week

15th – Treetops Open Afternoon, 1pm

24th – Transition Visit to Y6 & parents

25th – Last Day of Term

June

4th – All Pupils Return

15th – Treetops Open Afternoon

18th – 20th Kilve Court Residential

28th – Parent Forum 6.30 – 7.30pm

July

10th – Sports Day

12th – Reserve Sports Day

24th – Last Day of Term

Parent Consultations

We have tried our very best to allocate slots as requested and you should have received your appointment times today. However, we haven't been able to fit everyone in as some slots were in high demand. If you requested an appointment but haven't received one, then please contact the office and we will arrange a suitable time with your child/ren's teacher. As before, consultations will take place in Owlets class room, and Mr Whittle will also be available each evening if you would like a short meeting with him.

Parent Forum

This term's Parent Forum is on Wednesday 25th April from 9.15 to 10.15am. Please could parents/carers complete the slip which came home with your child today with any items for the agenda and return it to Mrs Lowden on Monday 23rd April. Thank you

After School Clubs

There will be no clubs next week due to Parent Consultations, and the final session of Netball Club will be on the 2nd May. This term's club letters will be sent home next week.

Packed Lunches

When providing a packed lunch for your child please remember that we encourage healthy eating, so sweets and sugary snacks are to be avoided. Sugar Swap suggestions are available at www.nhs.uk/change4life

Kilve Court

The second instalment for the Y4/5 residential to Kilve Court was due by the end of last term. If you haven't already done so, please bring payment to the office by end of school day Monday 23rd April. Thank you.

Exeter Children's Orchestra

Do you play an instrument? Maybe you would like to see what playing in an Orchestra is all about? Exeter Children's Orchestra (which also runs a Youth and Junior section) are having an Open Day on Saturday 28th April. All musicians from beginners (can read and play a scale) to experienced (Grade 8 and above) are welcome. ECO is a small charity which is run by volunteer parents, and is dedicated to developing the musical talents of all children up to and including Year 13. You can find out more about ECO on www.exeterchildrensochestra.co.uk but playing in an orchestra is not only great fun but a great way to develop and improve your musical talents. The Open Day is from 10.00am - 12.00 pm for Grade 2 and above, and 11.00am-12.00 for the Juniors. Please come 15 mins before to sign in.