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Spring Week 3: 19th January 2018



Executive Principal: Mr D.Chapman
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Bridestowe Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers,

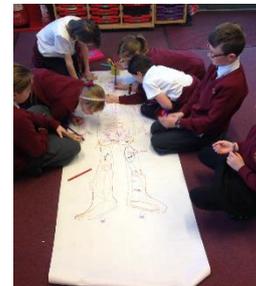
Many thanks to all of the parents who attended the Monday "Meet and Greet" meeting after school with myself, Mr Whittley and Mr Ian Courtney. Debbie Pritchard kindly took very detailed minutes of the meeting and these will be distributed alongside this newsletter so that any parents who were unable to attend can read what was discussed and any responses given.

Please remember that if you were unable to attend this meeting and would like an opportunity to meet me at an alternative time, please do not hesitate to either come and speak to me, or leave a message in the office.

We had such wonderful news at the end of last week, that Mrs Lammas had a baby boy on Friday 12th January, and he has been named Jacob. I am sure you would like to join us all in wishing Mr and Mrs Lammas and their beautiful son huge congratulations and all the very best for their future. As soon as Mrs Lammas is able to do so, she is hoping to come and introduce her son to the children.



During science in the Barn Owls this week, we started our topic of the human body and we had an extra 'class member' in to help Mr Parsley with the lesson - please meet 'Bernie'.



We have studied the skeleton and formation of the human body. The children loved being able to touch, feel and discuss the different bones we all have in our bodies.

Best Wishes,
Mrs Suzie Stevens



Achievements

Care and Courtesy:

Josh Crocker, Isla Wood, Emma Berry

Behaviour:

Rosie Eales, Grace Bird, William Butler

Worker: Dylan Sullivan, Caiden Amhof, Jolie Taylor

Reading: John Peberdy

Team Point Winners: Hurricanes



Diary Dates

January

22nd – Fed Football & Netball vs Okehampton @ Bridestowe

24th – Y3 Gymnastics/Dance/Trampolining

30th – FoBS Meeting 7.30pm @ White Hart

31st – Ability Games Festival

February

1st – Family Learning Workshop

1st – Playground Opening Ceremony 3.15 – 4.00pm

6th – Rotary Club Quiz @ Okehampton Primary

7th – FoBS Quiz Night @ The White Hart

8th – Okehampton College transition visit to Y6

9th – Last day of term

12th – 16th – HALF TERM

19th – Pupils return to school

Playground Official Opening

Everyone is invited to the official opening of the playground to be held on Thursday 1st February at 3.15pm.

We will have both the Mayor of Okehampton and the Chair of the Parish Council coming to cut the ribbon, and Phil Whittlely will say a few words. Please feel free to share the date with friends and family – the more the merrier! FoBS will be kindly providing refreshments, and all donations of cakes and biscuits towards this would be very welcome.

The school is hugely grateful to the marvellous FoBS team and supporters, along with all those parents, grandparents and various members of the wider community who helped provide this wonderful equipment for the children. Thank you!

Federation Matches

There are Federation Netball & Football Matches against Okehampton Primary at Bridestowe on Monday 22nd January. Please bring your Federation kits, boots and shin pads. Mrs Baker will be on site to supervise netball, and Matt or Ryan from OCRA will be supervising footballers.

Times and fixtures were included in the initial sign-up letter dated September 11th 2017, however this will also be emailed with the newsletter today. Footballers are: Lewis Pearce, Callum Eyre, Digby Hewitt and Riley Goddard.

FoBS News

Everyone is invited to the next FoBS Meeting which will be held on Tuesday 30th January in The White Hart, Bridestowe at 7:30pm. This will be a relaxed, friendly and fun evening for coming up with ideas on how to raise some money to give our kids great experiences and resources. Please contact Jo or Sally to get involved or for anything about FoBS.

We have a few new parents who are keen to come along and become more involved, which is great news, and Suzie Stevens the acting Head of School is also keen, so hopefully it should be a great start to the term.

Hope you can make it and if you can't please feel free to let me know any fundraising/event ideas before the meeting.

Collecting Children on Fridays

Due to the swimming transport arrangements, please collect your child from the front gate ONLY on a Friday, as all children are in the main school building at this time. Thank for your continued support.

School House Access

The Secure Access lock on the School House door is a safeguarding and Health & Safety requirement. As well as keeping the building secure, this allows parents to speak privately with Mrs Lowden if they need to. Please be patient when using the call button; Mrs Lowden will open the door as soon as she is able. Thank you for your understanding.

Safeguarding

If you are concerned about a child in Devon and want to speak to someone, contact the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) on **0345 155 1071** or email mashsecure@devon.gcsx.gov.uk and give as much information as you can. If a child is at immediate risk, contact the police on **999**. More information can be found at: <https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/child-protection>