



West Exmoor Federation Newsletter

July 2008

Dear Community

Ofsted

Both Lynton and Parracombe were inspected by Ofsted last month. We are still awaiting the final reports for both, but initial feedback from Ofsted has been extremely positive. I look forward to sharing the report 'headlines' with you next month. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff, children, parents and governors for their hard work and continued support throughout the year – I am sure that this will be formally recognised by Ofsted.

Story Sack

The Kentisbury infants had a fun afternoon with members of Kentisbury WI when they delivered a 'Mr Wolfs Pancakes' story sack to them. The WI have kindly made props for the children to use to bring the story alive including puppets and masks. There was a lovely photo of them all in the Journal. Thank you very much indeed to the Kentisbury WI for their kindness.

Mrs Recycle

To coincide with national recycle week, each school within the federation had a very enjoyable visit from Mrs Recycle who talked to children about the merits of recycling.

Talented Sportsmen

A huge well done is due to Makore Taylor and Joseph Caley of Kentisbury School. Last month Joseph played, and won, the Plate final at Twickenham with Barnstaple under 11s rugby team! Makore was selected as one of only 15 children from the whole learning community to attend a gifted and talented sports

camp. He was chosen because of his all round excellent multi skills talent.

River field trip

Later this month, the juniors from Kentisbury and Parracombe will be going to the Simonsbath Outdoor Centre on to develop their fieldwork skills in the River Barle.

Out and About

Since the last newsletter, Year 6 across the federation have been to Oceanfest and also to a Life Skills event at Fremington Army Camp. They had a great time at both events and the organisers of Life Skills commented on the fantastic behaviour of year 6 children, their knowledge of key skills and their keenness to participate in all the activities and discussions provided over the course of the day.

Cycle Training

Children across the federation have recently enjoyed cycle training with PCSOs Karen and Grace. Hopefully they are now all able to ride their bicycles more safely. Thank you very much indeed to Karen and Grace for making this training possible.

Help raise school funds

Easyfundraising is a fantastic website where you can raise funds for school just by shopping online! If you already shop with stores such as NEXT, Amazon, John Lewis, M&S, HMV, Toys'R'Us, DELL, Dixons, Expedia or Debenhams, simply use the links provided on the easyfundraising site when you shop and at no extra cost to you, we'll receive a free donation of up to 15% from every online purchase you make. It's completely free and each school within the federation has it's

own unique web address which starts with:

<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>

You then need to add /kentisburyps or /parracombeyps or /lyntonps depending upon which school you wish to support.

As well as this, you can also raise money for the schools by having easysearch as your search engine. Easysearch has combined the results from several major search engines - Yahoo!, MSN Live Search, Ask.com, MIVA and many more. Please add this as your searchengine homepage so you can raise money for the schools every time you access the internet. You can access easysearch at <http://kentisburyps> (or parracombeyps or lyntonps).easysearch.org.uk

Sleepover

The children in year one and two across the federation enjoyed a very successful sleepover at Lynton School recently. The children thoroughly enjoyed an evening of organised games and stories, before designing and making their own pizzas. They then snuggled down into their sleeping bags in the school hall to watch a film before eventually falling asleep.

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The children across the federation have been lucky enough to have had visitors from Georgia working with them. The singers, from the Georgian Mountains, came in and taught the children some of their traditional songs. It was a pleasure to listen to and the children enjoyed the afternoon greatly.

Kind Regards,

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