



# Kentisbury Primary School Newsletter

## (Part of the West Exmoor Federation)

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Dear Parents/Carers

### Dogs

We had a fantastic time with the police dog drugs squad last week. The children enjoyed getting close to the dogs and learning about the work they do.

### Eco-Schools Assessment

Last Friday we were assessed for the green flag award we are absolutely ecstatic to have been awarded this highest title within the eco-schools scheme.

### Puppet Theatre

The children enjoyed another fun puppet performance about the Easter story kindly delivered by some actors from Combe Martin.

### Theatre Trip

The whole Federation were fortunate enough to go to the Queen's Theatre to see the West End musical Joseph. It was great to see the children really getting into the spirit of the show by clapping and singing along!

### Singing Celebration

Today we went to Ilfracombe College to take part in a Learning Community singing celebration. We sang three songs together and then each school performed a song they have been learning recently.

### Music concert

We are looking forward to seeing the children who have been learning a musical instrument with Sarah celebrating what they have learnt this term on Friday afternoon at 1:00pm. Please come and join us for this if you can.

### Netball

On Thursday year 3 and 4 children from across the Federation are going to play netball with Bratton Fleming Primary School.

### Easter Activities

We are looking forward to Friday afternoon when the PFTA are putting on a range of Easter fun activities (see the attached flier).

### Thank You

I would like to say a huge thank you to the PTFA for donating some money for Marian to use on developing the Foundation Area. Thank you also to Mr Cox for donating some money for use in the Infant class and to Sue Townsend for bringing some wild flower seeds to the gardening day and for some books for the Infants. Thank you also to Jim Watt from taking Spencer Bear with him on his travels to Japan. We have loved seeing the photos of Spencer in exotic locations! Finally, thank you to Wendy Bartlett and Linda Watt for spending some time gardening at the school today.

### School meals

Please find attached the exciting new three choice menu for the Summer Term which will be rolled out across the Federation. Meal prices as of Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April will be £1.95 for children. It was lovely to have Riley Bartlett and Nicolas Watt join us for lunch today.

### Cricket

Barnstaple and Pilton Cricket Club are starting their summer coaching programme on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April. It will run until the middle of August and is suitable for children of all abilities who are in year 4,5 or 6. Please see the poster on the board in the entrance hall.

### Mind, Exercise, Nutrition...Do it!

Please find attached to this newsletter a flier about MEND a free fun programme to help

children become fitter, healthier and happier.

### Coffee at Kentisbury Mill

Gail and Jim Evans are starting coffee mornings at Kentisbury Mill on Wednesdays from 10.30am to 12 noon. The time is for chat, renewing friendships and making new ones. The money raised will initially go towards the North Devon Hospice but if they obtain planning permission and charity status the funds will support 'Arlene's'. Gail and Jim are hoping to build a lodge, behind their garage, for the use of couples where one of them has been diagnosed with a life threatening disease and require somewhere to go to come to terms with what has just happened. The name 'Arlene' is in memory of Jim's first wife, who died suddenly of breast cancer in 2001. The start date is 1<sup>st</sup> April. The cost of a coffee/tea/soft drink and cake will be £1.50. Once a month there will be a raffle or bring and buy.

### Easter Activities at Castle Hill

There will be an Easter Bunny Hunt and daffodil celebration on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April and Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April at Castle Hill from 1.00pm to 5.00pm (see poster on the board in the entrance hall).

### Sports Club

Unfortunately we have had to cancel sports club this week as all teachers and teaching assistants are required to attend a meeting at Lynton tomorrow.

### Dates for your Diary

PTFA Quiz Night @ The Hunter's Inn - 17<sup>th</sup> April  
Start of Term - 20<sup>th</sup> April

Kind Regards,  
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