



# Kentisbury Primary School Newsletter

(Part of the West Exmoor Federation)

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## Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to another academic year! We have had a wonderful first few days and are very excited about the year ahead.

## Thank You

We are blessed to have such amazing grounds here at Kentisbury but as you can imagine it takes a lot of time and effort to keep them looking pristine. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Bev Lee, Linda Watt, Mike Townsend and my family for all the hard work they put in over the summer.

Thank you also to the Townsends for some dressing up clothes for the Foundation/Key Stage 1 class.

## Theme Learning

As you are aware we teach the children via themes. This makes the learning more meaningful as the children can see links between subjects and skills. This term Marian is teaching under the theme heading of 'Ourselves and myself' and Lisa are teaching 'Invaders and Settlers' focusing on Roman, Viking and Anglo-Saxon times.

## Congratulations

We were very pleased and excited to see PCSO Karen on Thursday. She came into school with some good news that many of the Key Stage 2 children had

won a prize in the local police competition. Amy Martin won first prize which was a digital camera!! Kieron, Joshua and Tom won a memory stick as a runner up prize and Charlotte, Shaun, Sarah and Amy Rudd had a pencil and ruler.

## Toast

Just a reminder that we offer the children a slice of toast at morning break. The cost is 10p per slice.

## 'Junk'

Marian has asked that we all collect and donate cardboard boxes, yogurt pots and any other 'junk' which could be used for model making by her class. Due to health and safety reasons please do not bring in any toilet rolls or egg sections.

## Music Lessons

Sarah will be continuing offering saxophone, clarinet, flute and piano lessons weekly on Thursday at the school. If you are interested please see Wendy for a form.

## Year 5 and 6 Residential

The 2<sup>nd</sup> deposit for Wembworthy of £50 is now due. Please give this to Wendy on Monday.

## CRB Checks

If any new parents would like to accompany children on trips or class activities please let us

know so we can give you a Criminal Record Bureau form for you to complete in readiness.

## Coffee

Mrs Lee, the Learning Communities Parent Support Advisor (PSA), will be in school on Thursday and invites you to join her for coffee at the start of the day. She thought it would be an opportunity for everyone to meet and get to know each other at the start of term and also provide a warm interlude for parents who have children at school and pre-school! Please meet on the playground at 8:45.

## Police Visit

The school will be joined by PCSO Karen on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September. She will be doing some finger printing with the whole school and doing some police scenario role-play.

## Non-Uniform Day

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September we will be having a non-uniform day in aid of the North Devon Hospice. Please come in non-uniform for a donation of £1.

Kind Regards,

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