



# Kentisbury Primary School Newsletter

(Part of the West Exmoor Federation)

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Dear Parents/Carers

## Out and About

Since the last newsletter, Jacob Bartlett attended a literacy G&T day at Ilfracombe Junior School. Year 6 went to Ilfracombe College to watch 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' and the whole school has completed their programme of golf tuition.

## Non-uniform day

There will be a non-uniform day tomorrow (Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb). It was due to be on the 6<sup>th</sup> but due to the snow it had to be cancelled. The children will be able to come into school in their home clothes for a £1 donation towards Unicef.

## Swimming Gala

We will not be attending the swimming gala on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> but will instead hold a Federation gala in the near future.

## Futbol de salão

Just a quick reminder that the slips for the football club need to be in as soon as possible as Vicky Cawley, at Lynton, needs to collate them to decide the day, price and location of the club.

## Pond Area

The PTFA are kindly reviving the pond area for us. They are holding a gardening day on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March from 10:00-3:00 and would very much appreciate your time and support. We could do with some people power to dig, plant and sow grass, flowers and shrubs and some help

in making some animal shelters, bird tables and feeders. Please come along as and when you can and bring with you any tools you think we may need as well as any off cuts of wood which could be made into shelters and feeders.

## Wellies

We are so fortunate with the grounds here at Kentisbury and in order for the children to get the full benefit of them, please send your children in with some named wellies so they can access all areas of the grounds at all times.

## Help your child with Maths

Just a reminder that North Devon College are running a Numeracy skills course at Lynton Primary school on Thursday mornings from 10am - 12pm for 11 weeks. The course will start on February 26<sup>th</sup>.

## Parents evening

Parents evening will be held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Please sign up for a slot by tomorrow.

## More Federation Visitors

Once again we are being visited by people from across the country who want to see an example of a good practicing federation. The visit will be made by the Chief Executive of Shropshire County Council plus some, or all, of the members of the Policy Commission which is made up of Neil Kingham (Former DG at the Department for Communities and Local Government), Professor Louise Stoll (University of London), Margaret Clark (Rural Adviser to

Business & the Community/Former Director at the Commission for Rural Communities) and Tony Travers (Director of Research Centre at London School of Economics and Adviser to House of Commons Select Committee for Schools, Children and Families).

## Key Stage 1 Trip

Class 1 will be visiting Rosemoor on Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March to investigate growing vegetables.

## World Maths Day

We will be celebrating world maths day on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March by taking part in some online mental maths competitions with children across the globe.

## On the notice Board

There are a number of new fliers on the notice board in the entrance hall. Bev Lee has put up a poster about her role as a parent support adviser. There is information about a forum for autism and related behaviours and a flier about the holiday activities on offer at Simonsbath House Outdoor Centre. Finally there is a letter from Anne Whiteley (Director of Children's Services) about school meal charges going up and events for families of children with special needs.

## Half term

We break up for half term tomorrow and children are due back to school on Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb.

Kind Regards,  
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