



Kentisbury Primary School Newsletter

(Part of the West Exmoor Federation)

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Dear Parents/Carers

Recent Events:

Theatre Trip

Last week Vicky, Jessica and Thomas had a very enjoyable trip to the Northcott Theatre with the year 2 children from Lynton.

Harvest Celebrations

Thank you to all of you who attended the harvest apple lunch last week. We had a great time and are already looking forward to the Christmas lunch!! Thank you also to those of you who attended and took part in the Harvest Festival at the church on Sunday.

Big Draw

The Big Draw took place at Parracombe last weekend and the 3D rainbow is now well under way. However, it is going to take considerably more photographs to cover it, as it spans nearly 4 meters. If you have not yet contributed to the photograph collection, it's not too late. Photographs that depict scenes, events, people, pets, etc, of Devon can be dropped into the school office at anytime. Once completed, the rainbow is going to be exhibited across Devon and will provide a wonderful legacy of local history as time goes by.

Horse-Riding Trip to Peru

On Monday, Nerys (a Federation governor) and Anna (deputy manager of Arlington Court) came into school to talk to us about their horse-riding trip to Peru. They showed us a fascinating slideshow and described their adventure. It was lovely to have members of our local community in school for the morning and to share lunch with us.

Dairy Bus

Today, an ASDA 3-a-day Dairy Bus visited school. The road show educated children about the nutritional benefits of milk, yogurt and cheese in their daily diet. The bus was full of exciting interactive, activities including a life-size model of a cow that the children enjoyed milking! It also showed the process of how milk gets from a cow to the shops.

Future Events:

Police Visit

On Tuesday 21st October PC Karen is coming into school to talk to us about firework safety and Halloween.

Wren Music

On Wednesday 22nd October 'Mixed for Six' are performing to whole school and doing a workshop with us.

Parents Evening

Parents Evening will be held on Thursday 23rd October from 4:00 onwards. A timetable and reply slip will follow shortly.

Non-Pupil Day and Half Term

Friday 24th October is a non-pupil day but we look forward to seeing you in the evening for the **PTFA Halloween Party** at 7:00 in the village hall. School begins again after half term on Monday 3rd November.

Year 6 Residential

We wish Jake and William bon voyage for their residential trip to Osmington Bay the first week back after half term.

Non-Uniform Day

On Wednesday 5th November the federation will be holding a non-uniform day to raise funds for the Royal British Legion. The British Legion are funding transport for the entire federation to attend the Remembrance Service and commissioning of the "Axe" railway engine on the 11th November at Woody Bay Station. The theme for the day will be that of the poppy, with children being encouraged to wear red and black. Further details regarding the trip to the Woody Bay Station will follow after half term.

Federation Open Day

On Wednesday 12th November the Federation will be opening its doors to other schools to show the benefits of Federation. We will showcase a federation in action and talk about our journey so far.

Children in Need

On Friday 14th November we will have a Pyjama Day in aid of Children in Need. We ask for a voluntary donation of £1 for both non-uniform days.

Year 6 Anti-Bullying Day

Year 6 will be going to Ilfracombe College with children across the learning community to explore the theme of Anti-Bullying on Wednesday 19th November.

PTFA Meeting

Next meeting Thursday 27th November 3:00 - 4:00.

Theatre Production

Theatre Alibi is coming to us on Wednesday 10th December. We will be joined by Parracombe School for this event.

Carols at Arlington Court

On Friday 12th December, 6:30 - 7:30, we will once again be performing at the National Trust property.

Pantomime

The Federation pantomime to The Queen's Theatre will be on Tuesday 16th December

Nativity

This year our nativity will be held at the church at 2:00 on Thursday 18th December. The PTFA will provide mulled wine and would be grateful if you would bring along some mince pies to share after the performance. The pre-school are also invited to this event as are members of the community.

End of Term

Friday 19th December

Other Information:

PE Kit

Please can I remind the junior class that they need their PE kit in school on a Tuesday for their PE lessons and on Thursday if they are staying for PE club.

Thank You

Thank you very much to Sarah Batty for donating a dolls house to the school and also to Daisy Burdett for giving some dressing up clothes, play dough cutters and a puzzle. Also thank you to Claire Papineschi for donating some dessert spoons to Kaye.

Kind Regards,

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