



Parracombe Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents

Although the Autumn is definitely here we still encourage the children to play outside during the day. Therefore, it is very important that the children are dressed appropriately for the weather i.e. a warm coat, gloves and hat.

Gymnastics

The children in the Infant class very much enjoyed their gymnastics coaching on Tuesday and are looking forward to the next visit. The children listened carefully and tried very hard with all moves they were taught. Delilah enjoyed running and moving on the bouncy floor and Sam said that the best jump was the Straddle Jump.

Could parents please ensure that the children have their P.E. kits at school and that they are labelled.

Celebration

Well done to Tom Brown, Sam Leworthy, Georgie Tucker and Alex Walters for receiving Celebration certificates which are rewarded for sharing a positive attitude towards all aspects of school life. Kelly Leworthy, Brendan Passingham, Arthur Hodgkinson and Rosie Brown have all received certificates for achievement in their learning. Well done to all of you!

Federation School Council Meeting

The first joint Federation school council meeting was held today at Kentisbury. The North Devon Journal came along to document this special meeting as we could be the first school in the country to have such a council! Please look in the Journal for the article as well as a photo of the Reception children in the new school starters section.

Performances

Yesterday Serena very kindly took the year 6s to Pilton College for a poetry recital. The poet did raps and many humorous poems and the boys came back very enthused about poetry. Kelly Leworthy enjoyed his expressive poetry session and said that she would love to see him again. Evie Lincoln thought it was very funny and also said that she would like to see him again.

Gardening Club

Mrs Ansell and the gardening club have been very busy making plans for the raised beds behind the Junior room. If anybody has any spare plastic plant pots, compost and left over seeds we would be very grateful if you would kindly donate them to us. The club meets every Monday at 12:45 and any additional help would be most welcome. Please contact Julie Ansell if you would like to join in!

Friends of Parracombe

Horse and Dog Show

As most of you are aware this Sunday (5th October), the Friends are holding a Family Horse and Dog Show. This is being held at Higher Cowley Farm and classes start at 9:30am (dog show to start at 2:00pm). There will be refreshments available so come along and show your support!

Ghost Walk

The Friends of Parracombe are organising another spooky ghost walk. It will be on Friday 24th October starting at the school at 6:30pm. It is important that tickets MUST be purchased in

advance. You will receive a letter providing you with more information of the event and how to obtain tickets.

Information for Year 6 parents

You should have received a letter direct from the Admissions Team providing you with your child's Unique Identifying Number for online applications as well as a transport entitlement leaflet, a choice advisor leaflet and a schedule of open days. We have been written to by the team to remind you to apply online for your child's school place by using either the online application form from: www.devon.gov.uk/eal/dgfl/forms/education.html or a hard copy obtained by calling 0845 155 1019. The team is unable to consider late applications and pupils may lose the local school place if it is oversubscribed so please apply before the closing date of 24th October.

Big Draw

Just to remind you all of the 'Big Draw' organised by Drawn to Devon at Parracombe School on Saturday 11th October between 11am & 4pm. It is open to children, brothers and sisters, parents/carers, friends, family, etc. The day will result in a 3D Rainbow being created that will be exhibited around Devon. Teresa Councill has more details if you would like them.

Kind Regards,

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