



# Parracombe CE Primary School Newsletter

(Part of the West Exmoor Federation)

*'Passionately pursuing educational excellence with our children and community for their lifetimes'*

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Dear Parents,

## Year 6 Flag Festival

Last week the year 6 children across the Federation meet to design some flags for the Llama festival. They created a flag design to depict the essence of North Devon and the importance of music in their lives. The designs are now going to Bali to be made into flags ready for the music festival in the summer.

## Non-uniform Day

We will be holding a non-uniform day in aid of Unicef on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February across the Federation.

## Head lice

As many of you are aware we have head lice rife in the school again. I am aware that the majority of parents are brushing through their children's hair with a nit comb regularly, using conditioner and medicated lotion but they are still being 'shared' between our heads! Half term is the perfect opportunity to get rid of these pests. Please could we all work together to treat our hair if necessary so that on our return we are nit free.

## School Start Times

We would like to remind parents that school starts at 9:00am prompt. Recently children have been arriving late for registration which causes unnecessary disruption to the start of the day.

## Children's Hospice

Last Friday we shared our assembly with a visitor from the Children's Hospice. I talked with the children about the hospice and the children asked many questions. He was then presented with a cheque from money that was raised by the Mint Club. If you buy this weeks Journal you can see the photo.

## School Lunches and Packed Lunches.

As part of the Healthy School initiative could we please ask that packed lunches are well balanced and promote healthy eating; including fruit rather than a chocolate biscuit is a good way to encourage children to eat healthily as part of their 5 a day.

We have been notified by Devon County Council that all dinner money payments must be made at the beginning of each week.

## Fire Talk

The Year 2 and Year 5 children were invited to Lynton this week for a Fire Safety Talk. The children were advised of the dangers of fire within the home and procedures to follow in the event of a fire. They watched a video, talked to the fire team and tried on fire clothing for size!

## Celebration

Every week the children have an assembly to celebrate each other's achievements. Well Done to Hannah Blakesley, Sam Leworthy, Kyle Passingham, Nicole Brown, Ellie Councill, Charlie South, Delilah Hodgkinson and Thomas Alexander for receiving a certificate rewarding them for their hard work and fantastic attitude towards their learning and school.

## Parracombe's Got Talent

All entries to this years Parracombe's Got Talent **HAVE** to be with Yoli, Sam or Emi by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February.

Kind Regards,

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