



Part of the West Exmoor Federation

Parracombe C of E Primary School

Newsletter

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covering the period of Sept

The children were treated to a visit from the Tour of Britain Bike race organisers. They were shown two very expensive bikes, one for normal racing and the other for speed trials. The two riders, who were in full racing kit, talked to the children about the race and what it was like to be a rider. This was followed by a trip to Lynmouth to see the actual race in progress. The Police cordoned off an area beneath Shelleys for us to watch as the riders sped down Countisbury Hill, round the corner and up the hill on their way to Watersmeet. Apparently they managed to cover the distance between Lynmouth and Taunton quicker than a car!

Tom Hodgkinson has restarted Ukulele sessions for all the Juniors and Tina now has 7 pupils in the Music Centre. If you would like your child to have professional lessons in the violin or keyboard, please let me know and I will pass your name on to Tina. Violins may be borrowed from the school in the first instance.

I am pleased to say that we have received a good report following an annual review carried out by the County adviser. The quality of teaching is considered to be good with children making expected progress. There is no evidence of underachievement and 2007 statutory targets have been met.

We are enjoying support with netball from PCSO Hannah Mawby. This not only raises the standard of Sport in the school but also helps to develop our links with the local police.

Thank you to those of you who supported our Harvest Festival. The children brought in some lovely vegetables and produce. We were able to make up two grocery packages for the senior citizens in Lydiate Lodge and Garson House. These will be delivered shortly.

The children watched 'An Exmoor Play' at the Village Hall organised by Exmoor National Park.

Congratulations to the following children who were elected to the School Council: Charlotte Winn, Charlie South, Kelly Leworthy, Johann Goode, Hannah Walters and Ludo DeFalbe.

The School Football team played a magnificent game against West Buckland, demonstrating one or two extremely professional moves. However they finally lost, 3 - 4, having fought back from 2 - nil down! 'Player of the Match' was awarded to Johann Goode for some exceptional goal keeping.

Congratulations also to the following children who, during the period of September, either received 'honourable mentions' in assemblies (for any or all of the following: trying hard, helping others, excellent work, being polite and having good manners) or had their work chosen for the 'work of the week' board: Jenny South, Kelly Leworthy, Kristian Winn, Charlotte Winn, Morgan Prosser, Millie Down, Sam Leworthy, Molly Muir, Micah Lincoln, Ellie Councell and Ludo De Falbe.