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Newsletter - April 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to the Summer Term. This is going to be a very busy term, with lots of exciting activities and events taking place. Children will be going on trips and some will be going on residential. Many children will be going swimming at Kingsteignton outdoor pool and we will, of course, have our Sports day. So, lots to look forward to!

Already this term,

- Years Three and Four have put on a fantastic production of 'The Pied Piper'. The children performed brilliantly and the show was enjoyed by all who saw it. Well done to all involved.
- The kitchen staff have started their Cooking and Nutrition sessions again. These will continue across the term for children in KS2.
- Year 1 and 2 have been visited by the dentist to learn about how to keep their teeth clean and healthy.
- The children in Year 3 and 4 have been to Paignton Zoo as part of their IPC topic.
- A group of Year 5 children have taken part in the Bikeability course, which teaches them how to cycle safely and carefully.

Parents and Carers Drop In

If you fancy meeting up with friends and having a chat over a cup of tea or coffee, please do come to our weekly drop in for parents and carers. They run every Monday afternoon between 2.30pm and 3.15pm in the Pound House, so come along and bring a friend!

Sun Safety

In the hotter weather, can I ask that you put sun block on your child before they come to school in the morning and provide them with a named sun hat. If you use long-lasting sun block, this will mean that no further application will be necessary during the school day and will provide suitable sun protection for your child all day.

We will ensure that your child has access to plenty of drinking water during the day. If you would prefer, please provide a drink of water in a named, plastic container.

School Uniform

With the arrival of summer and the better weather, children may wish to wear summer uniform. Can I please remind you of a few points with regard to uniform.

Sandals may be worn but they need to be sturdy sandals that support their feet and have a back on them. Flip flops or other backless sandals are not suitable for school. They may also continue to wear their proper black school shoes if they prefer.

If your child wishes to wear shorts under their dress, please can you ensure that these do not show below the hem of the dress.

Children with long hair must have it tied back and children may not have their hair dyed. Children may not wear nail varnish or make up to school. Children with pierced ears may wear one pair of stud earrings, which must be removed or covered with tape for PE.

Play Equipment

Please can I remind you that children should not play on the outside play equipment before or after school.

School Meal Payments

School dinners must be paid for in advance of the children taking them, so please ensure your ParentPay account is in **credit** at all times. Administrative staff are spending a lot of time chasing debts. Thank you.

Changes to Contact Details

Have you had a new mobile? Have you changed your email address? Have you moved house? Please make sure that you pop into the office and let us know so we can change your details on our school system. It is, however, up to you to change your email/mobile phone number on your ParentPay account, to continue to receive up-to-date communications from the school.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Karen West
Head of School

Dates for the Summer Term

Dates for the term		Class Assemblies - (Usually Fridays but subject to change)	
May			
3 rd	Dentist to visit Year 3 Meet the Lifeguards presentation	18 th	Year 1
4 th	Dentist to visit Year 4		
10 th	2.00 pm FS Stay and Play		
11 th	Cultural Champion Year 3 - Hinduism Experience 10.00 am FS Stay and Play		
14 th	KS2 SATs week		
18 th	Year 6 to Woodlands		
22 nd	Sports days - KS2 am / KS1 and house sprints pm		
23 rd	Class photos and team photos		
24 th	1.30 FS Sports Day 6.00 New Reception parents' meeting		
25 th	School closes for half term at 3:15pm		

June			
4 th	School opens at 8:50am 3.30 Parent drop in for children going to Teign (with Teign staff)	15 th	Year 4
4 th - 6 th	Year 5 to Dittisham - Maple	22 nd	Year 2
6 th - 8 th	Year 5 to Dittisham - Larch	29 th	Year 3
6 th	3.30 Work showing		
7 th	FS Reserve Sports Day		
11 th	Warburton Workshop - Year 1		
12 th	Warburton Workshop - Year 4		
14 th	Whole School photo		
18 th	Local studies week		
18 th , 19 th	1.15 Year 5 Pentecost experience at St Michael's Church		
19 th	British values afternoon		
26 th	International day		
29 th	USF Year 2 camp		
July			
5 th	5.45pm Yr 6 Parents Induction evening at Newton Abbot College	25 th 2.30pm	Reception
6 th	Enterprise Day		
10 th	Year 4 to Escot		
Wk beg 16 th	Year 5 and 6 performance		
18 th	3.30 - 4.30 Parents' Evening drop-in		
23 rd -25 th	Year 6 at Skern Lodge		
24 th	2.30 Nursery Graduation		
27 th	School closes for Summer holidays at 3:15pm		
September			
TUES 4 th	School opens at 8:50am		