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## Newsletter - June 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

Since the last newsletter:

- Year 5 went to Dittisham and camped. They took part in a range of team building activities including a zip wire challenge and building fires on which to cook the pizzas they had made. A great time was had by all.
- Year 2 have visited Kingsteignton Library and looked at the wide range of books they could borrow to read.
- Year 4 were visited by Warburtons and took part in a Pizza workshop.
- Year 4 visited Teign School and took part in a science lesson focused around the theme of States of Matter. It was a great experience for them to see and work in the labs.
- Year 3 and 4 children from across the USF took part in an Athletics Festival, held at St Mary's in Brixton.
- Several children from Year 5 took part in a Maths Challenge at Maynard's School in Exeter. The children worked as a team to solve a variety of mathematical problems, competing against other schools from in and around Exeter.
- The whole school have taken part in an International Day, focusing on the famous landmarks of their host country.
- Year 1 visited Exeter Museum as part of their studies about Local History. They also visited Exeter Library and chatted to the librarian.
- KS2 children from across the USF took part in a Swimming Gala, held at Kingsteignton Outdoor Pool.
- Year 5 have visited St Michael's Church to take part in the Pentecost Experience.

### Cupcake Sale

Thank you very much to those of you who either donated cakes, bought cakes or both. Between the two schools, we raised £320 for the Alzheimer's Society, which is a very worthwhile cause.

Even after 3 sales, there were still a few cakes left which were taken to Coombeswood House, Care Home, in Kingsteignton.

### Enterprise Day

On Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> July, the children will be running an Enterprise Day to raise money for the school.

We are intending to run this event at the end of the school day so that families can take part and you will receive more information shortly.

We are looking for some parent volunteers to help run some stalls and generally help with the organisation. If you are able to help in any way, please contact me via the school office. Many thanks.

### Summer Sun:

Whilst the hot weather continues please can you ensure all children have a sun hat and have applied suncream before they come to school. If suncream needs reapplying at lunchtime, please send in a named bottle.

### School Uniform:

As the end of term rapidly approaches, many of you will be thinking of getting uniform ready for the next year. You are able to purchase uniform online from [www.schooltrends.co.uk](http://www.schooltrends.co.uk) via the school website, where you will also find a copy of the school uniform policy. Can I remind you that children should wear a white T shirt and black or dark blue shorts for PE. When you are buying new school shoes, can I remind you that they need to be black sensible school shoes. **Trainers or canvas shoes (e.g. VANS) are not part of our school uniform**, however, pupils may change into them for playtime and lunchtime, changing back into school shoes for class time.

### School Meals

Please make sure your ParentPay account is clear or in credit by the end of term. If accounts remain in debt, we may be unable to provide your child with school meals until the debt is settled.

### Parents' Evening

This term's Parents' evening will take the form of an Open Evening and a Work Showing.

On **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July**, you are invited to come and see your child's work at any time between 3.30pm and 4.30pm, and you are welcome to bring your child with you. Should you have any comments or queries about your child's report (to follow), your child's teacher will be available to answer them.

Members of the Governing Body will also be available in the school library during this time should you wish to chat to them.

### Reports

We have decided to send the reports on paper as we have done previously. Due to the new GDPR regulations and the logistics of sending out so many emails, we have reverted to our usual format.

### Music Lessons

We offer music lessons in guitar to children from Year 2 to Year 6. These lessons take place during the school day at an additional cost, and lessons are taught by Mr Alex Knight. If you are interested in finding out more information about these lessons, please contact Mr Knight directly on 01364 644400/07896438242 or by email: [alex@classical-guitarist.net](mailto:alex@classical-guitarist.net)

We also offer lessons in saxophone, clarinet, flute recorder or Irish tin whistle, taught by Mr Steve Buckley. If you are interested in finding out more information about these lessons, please contact Mr Buckley directly on 01364 661553 or by email: [altobuck59@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:altobuck59@yahoo.co.uk)

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**

<b>Dates for the term</b>		<b>Class Assemblies -</b> (Usually Fridays but subject to change)	
<b>July</b>			
5 <sup>th</sup>	5.45pm Yr 6 Parents Induction evening at Newton Abbot College	25 <sup>th</sup> 2.30pm	Reception
6 <sup>th</sup>	Enterprise day - 3.30pm		
10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 residential - Escot		
Wk beg 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 and 6 performance		
18 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Open evening 3:30pm - 4.30pm		
23rd -25th	Year 6 at Skern Lodge		
24 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 Nursery Graduation		
26 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Leaver's Celebration at NAC 6pm		
27 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am Leavers' Service at St Michael's (School Only)		
27 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Family Cream Tea at St Michael's 2.15pm		
27 <sup>th</sup>	School closes for Summer holidays at 3:15pm		
<b>September</b>			
<b>TUES 4<sup>th</sup></b>	School opens at 8:50am		