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Newsletter - October 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to the second half term of this Autumn Term and I hope that you enjoyed your break.

Since the last newsletter:

- Several groups of Year 5 and 6 children have taken part in the Bikeability course, which teaches them how to ride safely on the roads. These children may now ride to school unaccompanied; provided we have a consent letter from their parent/carers and that they wear a helmet.
- The members of the Eco Council took part in an exciting day with other Eco Councillors from across the Federation. They went Coasteering (where they were joined by a seal!) and built rafts which they sailed on the sea. A great time was had by all.
- Year 3 took part in the Harvest Experience at St Michael's Church.
- Year 1 and 2 went on a trip to the World of Country Life in Exmouth. They visited the museum as part of their IPC topic, but they also walked goats, fed llamas and watched a falconry display.

Harvest Service

All the children took part in a Harvest Service at St Michael's Church. Each year group performed a song as well as whole school singing of hymns and songs. We would like to thank you for your extremely generous donations of food and supplies, which we passed onto the Food Bank. They were very pleased to receive so many donations and they have been able to use them to support a number of families in the Teignbridge area.

Remembrance Day

We will be selling poppies (the self-adhesive type) in school this week and next. If your child would like to buy a poppy, please can we suggest that they bring in a minimum donation of 20p. Your child may also wear a poppy from home if they wish, but can we ask that they are attached to your child's clothes with a safety pin, NOT an ordinary pin.

School Blogs

Each class contributes to a blog on the school website which is accessible from the class pages in Pupil Zone. We also have a number of other blogs which are accessible from the Home page. Please do have a look to see what your children have been doing in school.

Application for a Primary School place

Applications will soon open for admission into Primary school in September 2018 and you can apply online at www.devon.gov.uk/admissiononline from **November 15th**. You can apply for a place if your child was born between 1st September, 2013 and 31st August, 2014. Applications must be in by **15th January, 2018** or they will be considered as late and you may not get a place for your child in a school of your choice. Please make sure you apply for **3** schools of **your** choice. If you only apply for one school and do not get your place, your child will automatically be allocated a space in a school elsewhere.

Children in Need

We will be holding an Enterprise Day on **Friday, 17th November**. All the children will be taking part in a range of activities over the day and you will receive a letter from your child's teacher nearer the time with more information. The money raised on this Enterprise Day will be shared between Children in Need and school to support the enrichment activities that all the children are able to participate in.

Work Showing

On **Wednesday, 1st November**, you are invited to a work showing from 3:30pm until 4:30pm. You will be able to look at all your child's work with them and your child's teacher will be on hand to answer any questions.

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

Kind regards

Karen West
Head of School

Dates for the term

Dates for the term		Class Assemblies (Usually Fridays but subject to change)	
November			
1 st	FS Stay and Play - 2:00pm	3 rd	Year 6
1 st	Work showing 3:30 - 4:30	10 th	Year 5
6 th	Bikeability for Year 5 and 6	17 th	Year 4
12 th	Eco-council to attend Remembrance service at St Michael's church	24 th	Year 3
14 th	British Values Day		
17 th	Enterprise day		
20 th & 21 st	1:15 pm Christmas experience at St Michael's Church Year 1		
21 st	International Day		
27 th 29 th	Parents' evening 3:30pm - 6:30pm		
28 th	Parents' evening 3:15pm - 5:30pm FS and YR 6 ONLY		
28 th	Yr 6 to Buckfast Abbey		
30 th	Stagecoach performance to KS1 and KS2		
30 th	FS Nativity in St Michael's church 2.00pm		
December			
1 st	FS Nativity in St Michael's church 10.00am		
4 th & 5 th	KS1 Christmas performance 2.00pm		
5 th & 6 th	Reception trip to Kents Cavern		
5 th	1.30pm Nursery Grandparents' afternoon		
7 th	Froglets' trip to Kents Cavern		
7 th	1:30 Rec Grandparents' afternoon		
11 th	1:30 Yr 2 Grandparents' afternoon		
12 th	1:30 Yr 1 Grandparents' afternoon		
12 th	KS2 choir to sing at Penn's Mount		
13 th	Children's Christmas lunch Christmas jumper day		
15 th	9.30 am Christmas Service at Church		
16 th	School finishes for Christmas holiday at 3:15pm		
January			
3 rd	School opens at 8:50am		