

# Newsletter



20<sup>th</sup> April 2018

## Welcome back

Welcome back to the 'Summer Term'. This term we hope to get out and about as much as possible and enjoy the sunshine! Don't forget that sunhats and sun cream will be essential as the weather starts to warm up.

## Heatree residential

Well done to the Year 6 children who took part in the Heatree residential over the last few days. The children participated in climbing, abseiling, kayaking, mountain biking and archery. As well as learning valuable life skills like how to make your bed, keep your room tidy and remember to put on clean socks! During the residential the children followed the National Outdoor Learning Award scheme. This is made up of three parts; Respect, Safety and Learning. The children developed independence, resilience and confidence whilst away. They also made new friends from our other Federation primaries by working as a team throughout. Behaviour was impeccable and all the children were a credit to the school – well done!



The climbing wall

## Afterschool clubs

After school clubs will start again on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April. This term they will be;

Monday – SATs club for Year 6

Wednesday – Outdoor learning club for all year groups. (Old clothes and wellies will be needed)

Thursday – Music and singing club for all year groups.

Outdoor learning club will take place on the field and extra adult help would be greatly appreciated. If you can spare an hour on a Wednesday afternoon 3.30-4.30 then please let me know. This club will involve a 'Forest Schools' type learning style with creative games, making and building. There may be opportunities for a camp fire and snacks!

If you have any skills you'd like to share in an after school club, please let me know as I would love to run more extra-curricular activities but the time of our staff is already stretched. You would have the support of a member of staff at all times.



Heatree camp fire

### **School Nurse visit**

The school nurse, Steve Boddey, will be in school on Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> April at 2.30 to discuss Head Lice as well as any other concerns you may have. This is a good opportunity to meet your school nurse and understand the services they provide.

### **Parent's forum and open day**

All parents are invited to a forum to discuss school issues with Mr Hill on behalf of the staff. A lead issue will be class arrangements for September. Friday 4<sup>th</sup> of May at 2.30pm. Tea and biscuits will be provided!

An open day for parents, carers or members of the community to look around the school will be held on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May, 8.30 – 3.30. This is an opportunity for you to look around the school, at the brilliant work children have achieved and have a better understanding of the school day.

### **KS2 SATs**

Key Stage 2 SATs will be held from the 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> of May. On these days Breakfast club, 7.50 – 8.50, will be free for Year 6s and Mr Hill will be donning his apron to cook bacon sandwiches (or a vegetarian alternative)!

### **Whole school photos**

If you have not already ordered your whole school photo, and you wish to, please get your order in as soon as possible.

### **Year One Multi-Skills**

Well done to all the Year Ones who participated in the Multi Skills event at Okehampton on the 26<sup>th</sup> of March. All the children enjoyed themselves and tried out some new skills.

### **Boasley Cross cross country event**

On the 28<sup>th</sup> March children went to Boasley Cross Primary school for their annual cross country event. We were very successful, winning multiple medals. Neve Webber won her individual race and a gold medal. The Year 3/4 girls' team - Neve, Stephanie, Ivy and Felicity - then won the team event, another gold medal. The Year 5/6 girls' team – Abi, Leona, Molly and Ruby - won silver as did the boy's year 3/4 team – Corey, Brandon, Freddie and Luke. Well done to all that took part and thank you to those parents who drove and supported our team.



Kayaking!

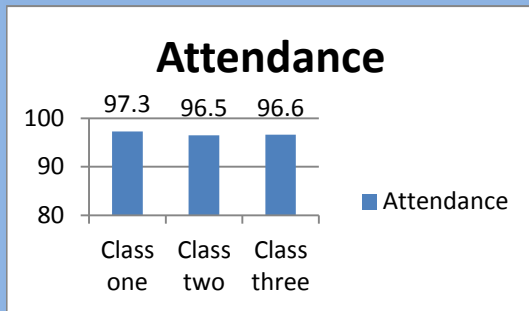
### **Easter service**

The Easter service was a huge success and the children led the service extremely well. Thank you to all the parents who attended the service, it was lovely to see so many of you, the children really appreciated it.

### **Upcoming dates**

Have a look at the dates section below to see the events and notable dates coming up.

## Attendance since 16<sup>th</sup> April



## Stars

### of the Week

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April

Class One – Harry for a fantastic attitude to his learning

Class Two – Mouse for being mature and sensible in class.

Class Three – Luke for editing and improving his story

Well done everyone!

## Diary

### April

- Every Thursday – Cricket coach for Class Two and Three
- 27<sup>th</sup> – School Nurse to give talk on Head Lice

### May

- 1st – Cricket tournament at Okehampton
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Parent forum- 2.30pm
- 7<sup>th</sup> – Bank holiday Monday
- 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> – KS2 SATs
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – Open day, 8.30-3.30pm
- W.B. 28<sup>th</sup> – Half Term

### June

- 5<sup>th</sup> – Okehampton College transition session for parents
- 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> – Year 4 and 5 residential
- 18<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> – Okehampton College transition fortnight for Year 6

### July

- 6<sup>th</sup> – Swimming gala
- 13<sup>th</sup> – Sports day
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Last day of term

Mr Hill – [head@exbourne-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:head@exbourne-primary.devon.sch.uk)



Mountain biking.

**Outdoor learning club**

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Signed.....

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