

Weekly News

13th February 2020



Dear Parents

Dates and key information

School Meals

Week Beginning 24th February - **GREEN**

Juniors ~ £2.30 Infants ~ free

February

- Thurs 13th - Asda Visit - Juniors
- Fri 14th - Brumble Bees in session
- Fri 14th - Choir Club 3.30-4.15pm

- **Mon 17th - HALF TERM**

- Mon 24th - Swimming - Whole School
- Mon 24th - Fitness Club - 3.30-4.15pm
- Tues 25th - Brumble Bees in session
- Tues 25th - Heights & Weights YR and Y6
- Tues 25th - Farm Visit - Juniors
- Weds 26th - Brumble Bees in session
- Weds 26th - Infants Forest School Group 2
- Weds 26th - Junior Forest School Group 3
- **Weds 26th - Community Lunch**
- **Weds 26th -NO Board Games Club**
- Weds 26th - Decision Spelling Workshop
3.30-4.30pm - Junior Parents
- Thurs 27th - Girls Football SMCC Y5/6

We have had a busy first half of the Spring term and can't believe that the half term break is upon us. The children are enjoying the topic of 'Farm to Fork' and looking forward to the trips arranged to enhance the topic. A reminder that the junior class will have visited Asda today and then Hillview Farm on Tuesday 25th February. The infants are off to Otterton Mill on Tuesday 3rd March (letter to follow) and the Brumble Bees will be spending the day with Umberleigh's pre-school children at Apple Tree Farm on Friday 6th March. Please return permission slips as soon as possible and do not hesitate to speak to Sally in the office for further details.

The next Digital Champions meeting will take place on Thursday 27th February at Pilton Bluecoat Academy. Lauren and Josh, our Digital Champions, will attend the meeting and feedback the main areas of discussion to the rest of the school following the meeting.

A reminder that there will be a meeting for parents about the 'Decision Spelling' programme being implemented in

the juniors class on Wednesday 26th February from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. Miss Sheppard will explain the programme for parents and some of the terminology that is used during the lessons which should help you to support your child with their spelling homework. We look forward to seeing you there.



Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service offer free home fire safety visits. This visit will include fire safety advice and free fitting of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms if required. The service is completely free and could save the lives of you and your family. If you would like to book a visit or want more information please send your name, address and phone number to kpearce@dsfire.gov.uk or text the information to 07971 773493.

Finally I wish all the children and their families a restful half term break and look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 24th February.

Best Wishes
Miss Corrinne Smith



PLEASE NOTE:

- There will **NO Board Games Club** on Wednesday 26th February.

ORIENTEERING

Well done to all the year 3 and 4 children who attended the orienteering event at South Molton Community College last Thursday. They completed several exercises which put their orienteering skills to the test. Mrs Ward accompanied the children and said that they worked really well as a team and communicated effectively with each other to complete the tasks. Well done.



CURRICULUM NEWS

The infant children have been looking at farming across the seasons this week. They were very interested to see when particular plants are grown and when processes occur across the twelve months. The junior children have been looking at how to set up their own supermarkets this week and have been relating their topic work to their trip to Asda

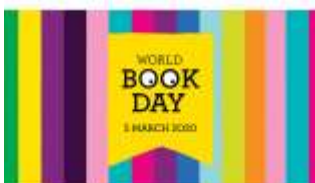


SWIMMING

The first swimming session will take place on the first Monday after half term, 24th February. Please ensure your child has the correct swimming kit.

GIRLS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

On morning of Thursday 27th February the Year 5 and 6 girls will be taking part in a girls only football tournament at SMCC. They will travel to SMCC in the school minibus driven by Mrs Ward and will be back in time for usual school lunch. The girls will need their full PE kit including trainers and a drink on this day.



WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 5th March. The children can come to school dressed as a character from their favourite book on this day.



Well Done
for receiving a certificate of achievement this week



Certificate of Achievement

Juniors

Ellie - For good leadership shown in Challah bread making and making sure that everyone was involved fairly.

Infants

James de Rusett - For working hard to present a carefully presented piece of work.



Merit Achievers

20 Merit achievers

★ Blade

40 Merit achievers

★ Jax

★ Liam

★ Emi

★ Aliyah

★ Lauren

★ Charlie

House Points totals -

Middlecott=240 Molland=280

Longwood=280 Kedworthy=220



We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to:-
Aliyah - 13th February



CLEANER

Required: 1st March 2020

Hours per week: 6.25

Working weeks: 41 weeks (38 weeks term time, plus 2 weeks during summer and 1 week during Easter shutdown periods)

Starting Salary: £9.18 per hour (Scale B)

Status: Permanent

Closing date: 12 noon 24th February 2020

High Bickington C of E Academy

The appointed person will be managed by the Premises Manager and Head of School. In service training will be provided where appropriate.

TEAM Multi-Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all its staff and volunteers to share this commitment. A DBS check will be undertaken and references taken up before interview. An application form should be fully completed; we do not accept cv's.

Full details and application form can be found on our website www.teamacademytrust.com
Applications should be hand delivered, posted or emailed to Caroline Tucker vacancies@team-mat.org.uk

Community Lunch

The next Community Lunch will take place on **Wednesday 26th February 2020** at **12.15pm**. Please call the school office on 01598 710345 to book your place by Friday 24th January. The cost is £5 per adult.

Scripture Union

Xsite

Ages 7-11

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BRING MATES

FUN + GAMES

LIVE MUSIC

@ Trinity Church, Barnstaple, EX32 9HQ
 Saturday Feb 15th | 3:00 - 5:00pm
 £2

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Enjoy Adventure fun and endless excitement during the school holidays at Exeter, Exmouth and Okehampton forest schools.

Discover how to **make fire, build dens and work together** as a team during the holidays.

A fun day exploring, learning and playing in the fresh air.

- For ages 5-13
- Sibling discount
- Multi block booking discount
- Childcare vouchers accepted

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SAURDAY 22ND FEBRUARY, 2020

BARN DANCE

MUSIC · CALLER *Chris Jewell*

CEILIDH DANCING

& BRING YOUR OWN SHARING SUPPER

Great Fun!

at Brayford Village Hall, EX32 7QJ

Doors from 7 pm. Entry £5/adults, £1/under 12.
 info: www.brayford.org.uk/brayford@events

HALF TERM INDOOR ROCK CLIMBING

Half Term CLIMBING CLUB

SESSION HELD AT THE TOWER CLIMBING, BARNSTAPLE

PRE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, £6 PER PERSON PER SESSION

FEBRUARY 2020	
THURSDAY	FRIDAY
12-13:00	12-13:00
13:30-14:30	13:30-14:30
15:00-16:00	15:00-16:00

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Letters sent home this week

Heights & Weights - YR & Y6

Wildside Residential - YR 3/4

Exeter Cathedral & Synagogue - Juniors

Otterton Mill - Infants

Calendar

Please look out for further details of the following events which have been scheduled for this Spring term. These dates are an indication of what is to come, but may be subject to change as the term progresses and the need arises.

2020

17th Feb - HALF TERM

24th Feb - Swimming first session - whole school

25th Feb - National Weights & Heights - YR and Y6

25th Feb - Farm Visit - Juniors (Y3-Y6)

26th Feb - Decision Spelling Workshop 3.30pm-4.30pm - Junior Parents

27th Feb - Girls Football SMCC - YR 5/6

3rd Feb - Otterton Mill Trip - Infants (Letter to follow)

5th Mar - World Book Day

6th Mar - Apple Tree Farm Trip - Brumble Bees

11th Mar - Proms rehearsal

18th Mar - Proms Concert Queens Theatre

19th Mar - Exeter Cathedral & Synagogue - Juniors

24th/25th Mar - Bikeability - YR 5 (More info to follow)

26th Mar - Boys Football SMCC - YR 5/6

27th Mar - **LAST DAY OF TERM**

These dates are intended as a guide and you will be notified of any changes

Spring Term

First day back	Monday 6 th January 2020
Half term	Monday 17 th February – Friday 21 st February 2020
Last day of term	Friday 27 th March 2020

Summer Term

First day back	Wednesday 15 th April 2020
Bank Holiday	Friday 8 th May 2020
Half term	Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 st May 2020
Last day of term	Wednesday 22 nd July 2020

Booking for Breakfast Club

I wish to book my child(ren) _____ into Breakfast Club from 7.45am for the week commencing - Monday, 24^h February 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY

(please tick)

- I enclose £4 per day per child, total £_____ Please make cheques payable to TEAM Multi Academy Trust.
- I have paid via ParentPay

Signed: _____ (Please return by Friday 14th February).

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