

Weekly News

5th March 2020



Dear Parents

Dates and key information

School Meals

Week Beginning 9th March - [BLUE](#)

Juniors ~ £2.30 Infants ~ free

February

- Thurs 5th - World Book Day
- Fri 6th - Apple Tree Farm - Brumble Bees
- Fri 6th - Choir Club 3.30-4.15pm

- Mon 9th - Fitness Club - 3.30-4.15pm
- Tues 10th - Brumble Bees in session
- Tues 10th - Walking YR5/6 3.30-5pm
- Weds 11th - Brumble Bees in session
- **Weds 11th - NO Infants Forest School**
- Weds 11th - Junior Forest School Group 2
- Weds 11th - Proms Rehearsal 9.30-12pm
- Weds 11th - Football Club 3.30-4.30pm
- Thurs 12th - Infants Chocolate Workshop
- Fri 13th - Brumble Bees in session
- **Fri 13th - Infants Forest School Group 2**
- Fri 13th - Sports Relief
- Fri 13th - Choir Club 3.30-4.15pm

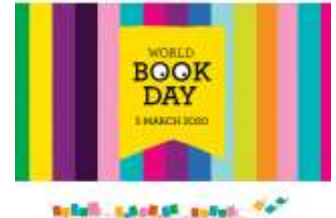
- Mon 16th - Fitness Club - 3.30-4.15pm
- Tues 17th - Brumble Bees in session
- Tues 17th - Walking YR5/6 3.30-5pm
- Weds 17th - Brumble Bees in session
- Weds 18th - Infants Forest School Group 1
- Weds 18th - Junior Forest School Group 3
- Weds 18th - Proms Concert 1.30pm & 6pm

All the children and staff look fantastic for World Book Day today with costumes ranging from Gangsta Granny to Miss Trunchbull. It has been a great day to talk about our favourite books and encourage a love for reading.

We are pleased to welcome Lisa, who is a story teller, into school today.

Lisa has worked with both classes and told stories from 'The Wild'. The children have listened to the stories and learnt how to tell their own. We would like to thank the PTFA for paying for this visit. Without their hard work in fund raising we would be unable to provide opportunities like this for the children. Thank you.

The Infants thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Otterton Mill on Tuesday. The children were able to build on their previous learning and share their understanding with the staff at the mill. They discovered some new and surprising facts about beavers. The sun even came out for our walk along the river Otter. The general public commented on how well behaved the children were and how fortunate we were to have such a wonderful little class.



We were pleased to welcome Isaac and Medi from Green Valley Primary School in Uganda on Wednesday. Pilton Bluecoat Academy share a link with the school in Uganda and the teachers have spent a week working with the classes at Pilton. We appreciate that they were able to take some time out of their busy schedule to talk to the children here. The children were able to ask lots of interesting questions about Green Valley Primary school and life in Uganda. This was a great opportunity for our children to learn, first hand, about another culture.

On Tuesday Aliyah, Indie and Georgia enjoyed a science enrichment day at SMCC. They took part in 3 fantastic lessons across the day; enjoying physics, chemistry and biology. The physics lesson was all about current electricity where the children had to carry out investigations with a series circuit. The chemistry lesson was all about Chromatography, where they explored the separation of mixtures and finally a biology lesson about microscopes. The children studied the cells of an onion and learnt about the different parts of a microscope and how to use it. It was an inspiring and enriching day.



Next Thursday 12th March the infant children will be joined by Umberleigh Academy infants for the morning to take part in a chocolate workshop led by the company 'Celebrate Cacao'. The children will learn about the history of chocolate; where it comes from and how it is made. They will have the opportunity to crush cocoa beans and make raw chocolate and an Aztec style chocolate drink. It is set to be a very yummy day!



Best wishes
Corrinne Smith

PLEASE NOTE:

- NO Infant Forest school on Wednesday 11th March this will now place on Friday 13th March

DIGITAL CHAMPIONS MEETING

Lauren and Josh attended the Digital Champions meeting last Thursday at Pilton Bluecoat. They discussed the findings from the survey done by year 5 and 6 children across the Trust. The main findings were that some children said that they spent more than 2 hours online on a school day. At weekends more children said that they spent more than 2 hours online a day.

Advice for the children from our Digital Champions is that the recommended time is a 2 hour a day maximum but preferably an hour or less. You could use a timer and set yourself a time limit.



PROMS CONCERT

Tickets for parents to watch the Proms Concert went on sale on Monday (they are selling very fast!). They cost £5 each and need to be purchased directly from the Queens Theatre, Barnstaple. Next week we are having a run through of the concert on Wednesday 11th so please can all children taking part bring their costume to school in a bag ready to wear and make sure they bring anything else that they might need (e.g. a recorder if they are in recorder club).

SPORTS RELIEF - FRIDAY 13th MARCH

For Sports Relief this year, the school council have decided to host a sports competition afternoon on Friday 13th March at 1.30pm for children, parents and the community. The afternoon will consist of working in teams to compete in a range of sporting activities including dodge ball, dance and team building activities and will be judged by the teachers. The winning team will receive a prize. All we ask is for a small donation from everyone who takes part in order to raise money for Sport Relief, a charity that helps people in disadvantaged positions all over the world.



FOOTBALL SESSIONS & AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

You should have received a letter regarding Football sessions and after school Football club starting next Wednesday 11th March. Please complete and return the slip by Monday 9th March so we can let the coach know numbers for the after school club. Thank you



PARENTPAY OUTSTANDING BALANCES

Please may we remind you to check and pay any outstanding balances due on your ParentPay account ASAP to bring your account up to date. Thank you



USEFUL INFORMATION & LINKS



Families in Grief (a local charity) supports children, young people and their families who have experienced the death of someone close to them.

<https://familiesingrief.org/>

Coronavirus info: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>



Well Done
for receiving a certificate of achievement this week



Certificate of Achievement

Juniors

Lauren - For being really friendly and kind to others.

Infants

Thomas - For being kind and thoughtful to others.



Merit Achievers

40 Merit achievers

- ★ Archie
- ★ Aimee
- ★ Indie

60 Merit achievers

- ★ Millie
- ★ Ellie
- ★ Maisy

House Points totals -

Middlecott=320 Molland=360

Longwood=320 Kedworthy=280



We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to:-
Blade - 6th March

Community Lunch

The next Community Lunch will take place on **Wednesday 22nd April 2020 at 12.15pm**. Please call the school office on 01598 710345 to book your place by Friday 17th April. The cost is £5 per adult.



BRAYFORD VILLAGE FARMERS MARKET

Saturday 14th March

11am – 1pm

Lots of tables including:
Besshill Farm Shop
East & West Bakery
Local wool and Arts & Crafts
Local bedding plants
Homemade Baked Goods
Southwest Cheese Shop
Cards and household items
Tea, Coffee and homemade cakes available.
Come along, all welcome!!



Letters sent home this week

Football sessions and club - Whole School
Exmoor Challenge - YR 6
Bikeability - YR 5

Calendar

MARCH

Thursday 5th - World Book Day
Friday 6th - Apple Tree Farm Trip - Brumble Bees
Wednesday 11th - Proms rehearsal Pilton
Wednesday 11th - Football and after school Football Club 3.30-4.30pm
Thursday 12th - Exeter Cathedral trip forms and payment due
Friday 13th - Sports Relief 1.30pm
Wednesday 18th - Proms Concert Queens Theatre
Thursday 19th - Exeter Cathedral & Synagogue - Juniors
Tuesday 24th/ Wednesday 25th - Bikeability - YR 5
Wednesday 25th - Football and after school Football Club 3.30-4.30pm
Thursday 26th - Boys Football SMCC - YR 5/6
Friday 27th - LAST DAY OF TERM

APRIL

Wednesday 15th - **FIRST DAY SUMMER TERM**
Wednesday 22nd - Community Lunch
Friday 24th - Tempest Portraits and Families
Monday 27th - Tag Rugby SMCC YR 5/6

MAY

Saturday 2nd - Exmoor Challenge
Thursday 7th - Rounders SMCC YR5/6
Friday 8th - V.E Day Bank Holiday
Monday 11th - Cricket/Rounders SMCC YR3/4
Monday 11th - SATS week
Monday 18th - First transition visit to SMCC - Year 6
Tuesday 19th - Tag Rugby Tournament at Barnstaple Rugby Club 9.15am -2.45pm - YR5/6
Monday 25th - **HALF TERM**

JUNE

Monday 1st to Friday 5th - Year 6 Residential to Ultimate Adventure
Tuesday 8th - Swimming first session (5 weeks)
Tuesday 9th - Junior Lifeguard Day 10am-2pm
Friday 12th - Tempest Whole School and Leavers Photos
Tuesday 16th - Infants Lifeguard Day 10am-2pm
Friday 19th - Puddings and Songs

JULY

Thursday 2nd - Intake Day at SMCC - Year 6
Thursday 16th to Friday 17th - Year 3/4 Residential to Wildside Experience
Wednesday 22nd - **LAST DAY TERM**

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

Booking for Breakfast Club

I wish to book my child(ren) _____ into Breakfast Club
from 7.45am for the week commencing - Monday, 9th March 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 6th March).

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