



Stokenham Area Primary School Newsletter 2023-24/31
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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are so incredibly proud of our Year 6 pupils!

Year 6 have completed their SATs - HOORAY! They worked so hard in preparation and got through a week of tests calmly and sensibly displaying great resilience and strength. We are very proud of them. Today they were able to have some fun in the swimming pool and make lots of happy noise! Well done Year 6 - you have been brilliant. Now it's time for a relaxing weekend.

It's been a busy week elsewhere in the school - all of our children facing a different challenge, we have had different routines, important tests to get through, a huge amount of concentration, and it has required lots of flexibility from us all. **WE GOT THROUGH IT!** Well done everyone, children, parents and staff members alike, and thank you for your support.



The transition to secondary school for our Year 6 class will now begin in earnest, and the other year groups begin to prepare to move up to the next class to continue their learning journey. It is a very exciting time and also a reminder that the summer term is going by very quickly! After half-term we will continue to be busy with trips and residentials - please read the newsletter each week for important reminders and updates, and make sure you have completed all the necessary consents and paperwork. Each trip requires parent pay consent and in many cases a paper form is also required. It is quite a task co-ordinating all this activity and we appreciate your attention to these admin issues.

Our final week before we break up is a busy week - further on in the newsletter are various reminders regarding what's going on next week and after half term.

Bikeability - Fantastic Year Five!

Well done to Year 5 who completed their Bikeability training this week in and around Stokenham village. The Bikeability trainers said that the group had been brilliant. Well done to you all, thank you for being mature and such fantastic ambassadors for Stokenham School. You made us very proud of you. Let's keep it going!



Year 6 Hoodies!

If you have a child in Year 6 and they wish to have a leavers hoodie, we need to send the order off **before half-term**. Please go to Parent Pay and follow the link to order the size and colour of choice. If they would like a particular name on the back of the hoodie you need to order that too - simply fill in the requisite box. Please can all details, payment etc be on Parent Pay by Tuesday 21st May at the latest - thank you.



Next Week in School

Year 2 Visit to Mrs Goodman's Farm - Monday 20th May

Our Year 2 are very much looking forward to walking up to Mrs Goodman's farm on Monday for a tour around the farm, learning more about where our food comes first-hand. Please can the Year 2 children come to school wearing:

- School uniform and a coat - please wear leggings/trousers.
- Comfortable wellies for walking (Check the weather)
- Please apply sun screen before school and bring sun hat
- Please bring spare shoes in a bag to leave at school for the afternoon.
- We will be back in time for lunch as usual.

Many thanks - let's hope for sunshine!

Year 5 at KCC - Monday 20th May

Some of our Year 5 pupils are off to KCC on Monday for a taster DT lesson. Please remember to complete the details on Parent Pay over the weekend if you have not already done so. The children will need to be taken and collected from KCC, where they will meet Mrs Cross and members of the KCC teaching team.

- Meet at **KCC Main Reception Area and 8.55am.**
- Collected from **KCC Main Reception Area at 11.15am**
- Please remember to order their lunch over the weekend on Parent Pay
- School Uniform to be worn

Year 6 KCC Transition - Tuesday 21st May

Next Tuesday afternoon, members of the KCC teaching staff will be visiting our Year 6 as part of their transition to secondary school. They will spend the afternoon with the class discussing the next step and what Year 7 will be, for them. Parents will also have the opportunity to meet with KCC staff after school. We invite our Year 6 parents in to school from 3.30pm to meet and discuss any queries they may have.

Year 1 Phonics Screening Workshop

On Tuesday 21st May at 3pm, Mrs Searle will be holding a Phonics Screening Workshop in the hall. This will discuss what the Phonics Screening Check is and how it works.

KS1 Federation Multi-Skills Festival at Stokenham - Wednesday 22nd May

Stokenham are hosting a Federation Multi Skills Sports Festival next Wednesday for our Year 1 and 2 classes across all four schools. A letter has been sent out to our Year 1 and 2 pupils today giving details. Parents are very welcome to come and watch the sports festival next Wednesday which starts at 1.30pm.

Year 3 and 4 Girls Football Devon Championships - Thursday 23rd May

We are so excited about our Year 3 and 4 girls football team who are off to Newton Abbot next Thursday to compete in the Devon Championships. A letter was sent home giving the necessary details team. **Please complete the consent by Monday 20th May.** If your child is unable to attend or does not wish to, please see Mrs Lewis or Mrs Taylor ASAP. The girls will need:

- PE Kit
- Plenty of drink and snacks
- Packed lunch
- Warm clothes (tracksuit/hoodies etc) to wear between matches
- Waterproofs (trousers & jacket/coat)
- Shin Pads
- Navy sports shorts
- Navy Football socks
- Football trainers - to wear on astro turf/all-weather pitch

After Half Term

Year 6 Sailing

We are all rather excited about our Year 6 who will be taking part in sailing afternoons in Salcombe starting on Monday 3rd June. Various letters, permission slips etc have been sent out and details are on Parent Pay. **We must have all the permission slips, consents and medical forms back by Monday 20th May at the latest. Please also complete the details on Parent Pay.** It is very important we have all the information asked for as we need to send these details to Devon County Council a minimum of one month before the event. In the case of the Year 6 sailing - **we are already potentially too late.**

The Swimming Pool is Open

Please see below the swimming pool timetable. We will be starting swimming next week - week commencing Monday 20th May. Please ensure that on the day your child's class is swimming they have their swimming kit, towel(s) and goggles. If they have longer hair, a swimming hat will be required. Please make sure they can put the hat on themselves by practicing at home. Long loose hair is not swimming pool friendly!

	Morning	Afternoon
Monday		Year 4
Tuesday	Year 2	
Wednesday	Year 6	Year 5
Thursday	Year 3	Year 1
Friday		Reception


Around the School this week

The Reception children have thoroughly enjoyed observing and caring for chicks this week, and were mesmerised watching them hatch on Monday. Many thanks to Mrs Camp for kindly providing the incubator and eggs so that children across the whole school, and pre-school, got to enjoy this egg-citing eggs-perience. Egg-cellent!

Horatio, the chick who needed a little extra care has re-joined his friends today just before they all returned to Mrs Camp's farm.



Year 4 have been using clay to create figures inspired by the elements of earth, water, fire and air - placing them onto a plinth. They learned the process of joining clay by scoring and using slip.



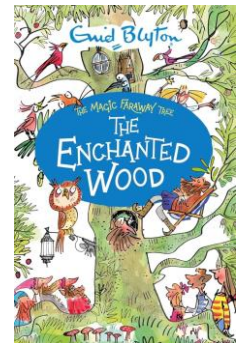
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Argos	41 (4)	THE THE THE THE THE THE
Sparta	49 (8)	THE THE THE THE THE THE
Delphi	61 (0)	THE THE THE THE THE THE
Rhodes	53 (7)	THE THE THE THE THE THE

They have also had week one of our mini Olympics. Inspired by our learning about Ancient Greece, they were split into teams representing six of the city states before competing in the long jump, hurdles and sprint.



Long Sunny Weekend: Our Reading Ambassadors Recommendation

The Enchanted Wood - by Enid Blyton is our Year 2 recommendation from Alba and Arlo. This book is about three children, Jo, Bessie and Fanny who move to the country and discover a magical place called the Enchanted Wood. There is an enormous tree in the middle of the wood called the Faraway Tree. At the top of the tree are different magical places.....Sounds Wonderful and mysterious! They recommend it to children up to Year 3 as it is a bit silly for older children! It has lots of funny interesting characters like Mr Saucepan, Moon Face, Mr What's his Name and an Angry Pixie!



If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With best Wishes

T. Coulthard

Tess Coulthard
Executive Headteacher



BEACH CLEAN

I will be doing a beach clean on Slapton Sands on the 26th of May from 11am - 1pm, starting in front of the Start Bay Inn.

Please come and help. Hot dogs and drinks afterwards!

If you need more details, please call 07795 271 194.

Thanks,

Zander

The Week Ahead

Monday 20th May	Year 5 to KCC - see above Year 2 Farm Visit - see above Music Lessons with Holly
Tuesday 21st May	Year 6 Transition to KCC afternoon at SAPS - see above Phonics Workshop - see above Singing Lessons with Abi Music Lessons with Rose
Wednesday 22nd May	KS1 Sports Festival at Stokenham - see above Singing Lessons with Abi - cancelled this week Year 1 and Year 2 Lunchtime Recorder Club Years 3 to 6 After School Music and Choir Club - cancelled this week After School Art Club
Thursday 23rd May	Drum Lessons with Alan Year 3 and 4 Girls Football Devon Final - see above After School Athletics Club After School Plymouth Argyle Club After School Karate with Caroline
Friday 24th May	Music Lessons with Monica Year 1 and Year 2 Lunchtime Mindfulness Club KS2 After School Achieve4All Club Break up for HALF TERM

Transition Youth Workshops

A message from Julie Hinder - Lead Youth Worker for the Family Advice Support Team (FAST) CIC regarding the return of our highly successful Transitions Youth Club, designed to help Year 6 students with their transition to secondary school.

The sessions will be running from Tuesday 4th June at Horizons Youth Club in Kingsbridge. From 4.30 until 5.30pm, the session will be exclusively for Year 6s to make new friends, take part in fun activities such as badge making, team challenges and Just Dance, and build positive supportive relationships with the youth work team.

From 5.30 until 6.30, we will be joined by our existing Intermediate Youth Group, to enable the Year 6s to make links and find out more about their experiences at secondary school. After 6.30, the Transition Group will finish to enable the Intermediate Youth club to have their own session activities.

The sessions will run for the remainder of the summer term, and are free to attend for all. Although most young people who come to our sessions will attend Kingsbridge Community College, we welcome all young people whichever school they attend (or will attend) and we also welcome young people who are, or will be, home educated to enable all young people to maintain friendship networks and access the support on offer.

The Horizons building has level access to the main rooms, with an accessible toilet. There is a disabled parking space outside to enable drop off / pick up. There is one step into the kitchen area and 4 steps down into the basement area. The Youth Work Team always work hard to ensure all young people are supported, including those with additional SEND needs, ND and SEMH needs, and make adaptations and reasonable adjustments wherever possible. We are located at the top of Fore Street, between Cookworthy Museum and Tresillian Nursery.

Best regards,
Julie

Diary Dates

3 June	Year 5 to KCC - Letter has been sent out. Please consent on Parent Pay
3 and 4 June	Year 6 Sailing - See Above
5 to 7 June	Year 6 Residential
10 June	Reception School Trip - leaving school at 9 am
10 and 11 June	Year 6 Sailing - See Above
12 June	Year 1 Farm Visit - details to follow Chess Tournament - details to follow
13 June	Year 4 Trip to Exeter - details to follow - Leaving SAPS at 8 am
14 June	PTFA Summer Fair - further details to follow
15 June	Year 5 Chorister Project - Details to follow
17 and 18 June	Year 6 Sailing - See Above
19 to 20 June	Year 4 Residential - Leaving SAPS at 8 am
20 June	Year 2 Farm Visit - TBC
21 to 22 June	Year 5 Residential
24 and 25 June	Year 6 Sailing - See Above
26 June	Year 1 Farm Visit - TBC
28 June	Sports Day - TBC Music Lessons with Monica - cancelled this week
1 and 2 July	Year 6 Sailing - See Above
3 July	Year 4 Farm Visit - TBC Year 6 Civic Award Presentation - details to follow
4 July	Year 3 Trip to Exeter - Details to follow - leaving SAPS at 8 am Year 6 Transition Day at KCC - details to follow
5 July	Sports Day - TBC
10 July	Year 3 Beach and Farm Trip - TBC After School Choir Concert
12 and 15 July	Year 6 Singing Paddles - further details to follow
15 July	Forest School for Reception and Year 6
18 July	Year 6 leavers Play - Details to follow
19 July	Leavers Assembly Last Day of Term