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Dear Parents Carers and Children

No 23 Newsletter

Thanks for all the lovely snow photos you sent in, it was great to see you all having so much fun in the snow! We tried to keep you all up to date with the conditions at school, but remember that the website is the **first** place for parents to look for information as on Friday we lost power and could not message or text you until Sunday.

Parents Evening

Thank you to all the parents that attended for meeting with the teachers, if you were unable to make an appointment please contact the class teacher.

Collaborative Learning

As you are aware one of our key values at school is working together and this is seen at school with children working in groups supporting each other, in discussion and through team work. This approach supports all learners and we have highlighted this in a joint letter between myself and governors, which is attached.

Sickness/Diarrhoea

Unfortunately we have had a stomach bug in school which has escalated today, please see letter attached for further information. It is really important to keep any poorly children **home for 48 hours** after the last episode.

Using A Knife and Fork Correctly Prize

This week's winners were Harriet from R, Harry S Y2 and Francesca Y1; Noah from Y1 won the first week also. Well done!

World Book Day

The reading fun then continues with our second attempt at World Book Day on Monday.

Library Lion Production: As you know Library Lion has been rebooked for Monday March 12th, we are very excited that as part of being a member of InspirED, we have been able to book this Take Art Production for R, Y1, Y2 & Y3. We are asking for parental contributions of £1 per child; please still send in any contributions. Pafots are also kindly supporting this to reduce the cost to parents.

Reading in An Unusual Place Competition

We had a marvellous amount of photos sent in! The winning photos were: 1st: Leyland Y2, in the digger bucket, 2nd: Leon Y4 reading to the cows in the cow feeder, 3rd: Sophia in Reception reading on the bannisters! Special mentions to Ms Trask reading whilst operating on a donkey, Oscar F on the roof of the car, Jemima and Joseph whilst bowling, all the lovely snow pictures with snowmen, in igloos and up trees!

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PJ Day

We will be having story time sessions throughout the day on March 12th and if anybody would like to come in to read with the children please let us know. The children can wear their PJ's to school for the day too as our World Book Day theme was 'Bedtime Stories'.

Safeguarding

There is going to be something on safeguarding added to the newsletter at least once a month; this week it's about YouTube, please see the attached information.

Governor Vacancies

Reminder: A letter went out last week with regards our governor vacancies and the option to put yourself forward for parent governor. The closing date for parent governor nominations is today, 5th March and the documents are also on the website. We are also looking further afield for other governors and if you know of anyone that might be interested please contact Heather or Peter our co- chairs. Their emails are: hbyron@educ.somerset.gov.uk & pdenning1@educ.somerset.gov.uk – please do get in touch!

Tip Day

Today we held our first Tip Day thank you to Mr Ellender for kindly helping us - we managed to empty our shed!

Platinum Bag

Excellent pieces of work from children in Reception: Y3: Elijah Y5: Liam R Y6: Kirra & Holly. Well done!

Special congratulations

To Harrison L from Y6 in assembly today as he has achieved one gold and three bronzes in the recent Somerset swimming competition where he got a regional time and he will know go on to the next level as he holds the County record for butterfly!

Behaviour for Learning Celebration

The following pupils received certificates in Friday's assembly to celebrate their excellent behaviour towards learning: R: Erin & Billy, Y1: Lily E & Oscar F, Y2: Ben & Charlie, Y3: Ellie & Oliver C, Y4: Marcie & Paige, Y5: Eve & Lily Mai, Y6: William & Monty. Well done everyone!

Attendance

This week's Class Attendance winners are Y4 with 97.67% - **Well Done!**

Class	Percentage Attendance %	Number of Lates
Reception	96.00	2
Year 1	86.21	5
Year 2	95.93	2
Year 3	93.75	0
Year 4	97.67	0
Year 5	87.81	4
Year 6	96.45	2

Photo of Y5 winners of last week who had 98.96% Attendance.



Morning Clubs

I would like to remind parents of children attending the early morning clubs that the clubs start at: Running @8.15 am and Mr B's Club @8am, please do not leave children early at Breakfast Club without also booking Breakfast Club.



Performance at Holyrood

Tatworth Choir and Ukulele Club performed in front of a full house on Wednesday night at the annual Chard Area Schools Concert. Choir sang 'I'm still singing', and children performed three short pieces on ukuleles. The climax was a finale consisting of the six other participating schools, plus Holyrood, singing together in a spine-tingling rendition of 'Drop in the ocean'. Miss Morton is very proud of you all and thanks you for your hard work rehearsing for the memorable occasion.

Onyx Brass Assembly



On Tuesday, Tatworth children were delighted to hear the warm tones of the quintet 'Onyx Brass'. This is particularly relevant to our school as children regularly receive whole class brass tuition. It was a lovely opportunity for them to hear and enjoy professional musicians. The ensemble performed a variety of music from a theme from Harry Potter to a fanfare as if the Queen were arriving, and we also learnt about each individual instrument. There were both giggles and intrigued silence in a truly memorable experience.



Reception Class Visit

On Tuesday Reception Class received a visit from Firefighter Ian. He told us all about his job as a firefighter in Yeovil. We compared our school uniform to Ian's uniform and looked at all the different safety features which keep him safe whilst he is doing his job. Miss Board dressed up in Ian's fire kit and Billy and Sophia had a turn at racing her to see who could get dressed the fastest. It was a draw! We were able to ask lots of questions about the fire engines and how the firefighters do their jobs. We also learnt about the importance of having smoke alarms fitted in our houses and how to check them every week to make sure that they are working. We have enjoyed playing firefighters all week as part of our role play.



Y5 Knot Tying

Mr Pavey will be testing the sponsored knot tying on Tuesday 13th!

Y5 Quiz

Mr Pavey is pleased to announce the winner of his quiz was Ms Trask! Who can come and collect her winning hamper from him next week. This fundraiser raised £37 towards Pixies Holt.

Bingo

Reminder: PAFOTS are collecting donations of Easter prizes, eggs and edible treats for their Bingo – please pop them into the office by Wednesday 14th March and come along to the Memorial Hall at 6pm.

Playing Field Gate

A few parents use the Sports and Social Club car park as a safe place to park and then walk to school. The committee has reminded us that we need to ensure that the last person leaving the carpark needs to shut the gate. Thanks for your help with this.

Swimming

Due to the snow the first swimming session for Y3/4 was cancelled and refunds are now refunded on parentpay, those that paid by paypoint will receive a cheque shortly. This week it is Y4's turn to swim first and Y3 will be back at 4pm. Y4 will need a packed lunch as they leave before the lunches arrive. **Please can all children in Michelle and Sue's groups also take PJ's to the pool as well as their costumes.**

Hot Meals

The Summer Term lunch menu will be coming out next week; parents will be texted and will need to make choices for the summer term by Wednesday 21st. In the first week back after Easter there will be no hot lunches in school due to our provider kitchen being closed. **All children will need to bring a packed lunch.**

Sport Relief

On Friday March 23rd children may wear sporty clothing to school upon payment of £1 for sports relief.

County Netball Finals

On Monday we take the netball team to Westfield Academy for the County finals. Parents are transporting the children and we will be leaving school at 12pm. The same team as before has been selected: Finlay, Riley, Monty, Kendra, Holly, Kirra, Phoebe and Ruby. Good luck!

Y5/6 Netball V Kings Hall

Mrs Churchill's Report: On Wednesday we were able to have a home game of netball V Kings Hall. It was lovely to be able to host. The girls played well but we need to slow our game down and make better decision. Kings Hall were 1st and joint 2nd and Tatworth came 2nd and 3rd. Thank you to all the parents who brought in cakes.

Y5/6 Netball/Hockey V St John's

On Wednesday we have fixtures against St John's.

Netball at St John's leaving at 1.30pm and returning for 4.45pm. The following children have been selected: Kirra, Phoebe, Ruby, Sammy, Nancy, Eve, Pyper, Kendra, Emma F, Matilda, Willow, Emma P, Megan, Lily W, Lola & Ellie F. Please give consent/payment on parentpay.

Football: Home starting at 2.30pm with the following selected children: Kieran, Sam Gu, Riley, Holly, Harrison L, Finlay, Oliver, Sam D, Joseph B, William, Monty, Charlie, Sidney, Louis, Oscar F & Calum. Please return the paper permission slip.

Mr Bulbeck's Holiday Club

Reminder: Mr Bulbeck will be holding a Easter holiday Cricket club on Tuesday and Wednesday 4th April.
Forms were attached last week.

Yours sincerely



Tracey Hart
Headteacher

March

Monday 12 th	Library Lion Visit £1, PJ Day 1.00: Netball V Other @ Westfield
Wednesday 14 th	1.30: Y5/5 Netball V St John's (A) ST 2.30: Y5/6 Football V St John's (H) MT Forest School
Thursday 15 th	1.00: Y3/4 Swimming 1st: Y4, 2nd: Y3
Friday 16 th	6.30pm: Easter Bingo Memorial Hall
Wednesday 21 st	2.15: Y5/6 Inter House Tag Rugby (H) 2.45: Y3456 Stockland X Country (A) ST Forest School
Thursday 22 nd	1.00: Y3/4 Swimming 1st: Y4, 2nd: Y3
Friday 23 rd	Sport Relief – dress in a sporty way upon payment of £1