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Dear Parents & Carers

Newsletter No 27

Welcome back to school for the Summer Term, I hope everyone had an enjoyable break and has returned well rested for the busy term ahead.

Parent Consultations

We had good attendance from parents at the consultation meetings; however if any parents missed this day please make contact with teachers for appointments next week.

Community Morning 9am – 1pm

Tomorrow is our community morning where we will focus on tidying and repairing the outside areas of the school. If anyone can volunteer a little time or bring a pressure washer we would be very grateful. PAFOTS will be supplying refreshments for helpers. The list of jobs is attached.

PAFOTS

Pafots held a Easter Bingo on Friday 31st March at the Memorial Hall. I am delighted to tell you this event was a great success raising approx. £1000 for school. Well done to the committee for this fantastic amount. **Pafots meet again at school next Friday 28th at 2.30pm** and welcome anyone wishing to join the committee. They raise essential funds for those items that the school budget cannot stretch to. For instance they funded the total cost for Zoolab to visit school this week for Y2,5 & Reception classes. Without their financial support parents would have needed to fund the visit. Please support them if you can.

Uniform

We are placing another order for uniform so please place orders for cardigans and polo shirts by next Friday on parentpay.

Axe Valley Wildlife Park Visit

Y1 had a fantastic time at Axevalley Wildlife Park. We met lots of interesting animals including Elizabeth the Royal Python and Archie the Armadillo (who was our favourite). The children were well behaved and listened really carefully to Marie the education officer.

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Zoolab

Reception, Year 2 & 5 class enjoyed a fantastic visit from Zoolab. Jess the Ranger was able to show them an array of different creatures including a giant African land snail, bearded dragon, a tarantula, an American corn snake, two mice named Frankie & Benny and a millipede. The children took turns to hold the creatures and listened carefully to the amazing facts about each one. Many thanks for PAFOTS for providing this opportunity.

Y4 Trip to @ Bristol

In order to enhance our learning Y4 are visiting @Bristol on Wednesday 26th April @Bristol. All children will require a packed lunch and drink. We should be back at school in time for collection at 3:30pm as normal. The children should wear school uniform, but they may wear comfortable shoes (trainers are fine). They will need to bring their lunch and drink in a bag, which we will be able to leave safely in our lunch room during the day. No money or electronic devices should be brought on the trip. We have everyone's permission to attend this visit.

Reception Class Visit to Escot

On Friday 28 April we are taking the Reception Class to visit Escot Education, Ottery St Mary in Devon. As we will leave school promptly at 9.00 am please could your child arrive in school promptly, to give us time to organise the children and leave on time. We will be back in school by 3.30 pm. Your child will need to take a packed lunch in a shoulder bag or rucksack and a soft drink in a drinks bottle. Your child may wear old trousers or shorts and trainers with their school jumper and will need to take a light waterproof coat, sun hat and sun cream. **Parents are reminded to give consent and payment via parentpay as without consent you child will not be able to attend.**

Clubs

Clubs start next week, please give permission and make payment via www.parentpay.com if you would like your child to attend a club. Choir is a free of charge club and parents are asked to give written permission for their child to attend- a slip can be completed at the office or send an email into school tatworth@educ.somerset.gov.uk An error was made with charges this term - fees will revert to the usual charge of £2 per session in the Autumn Term.

Swimming

Reminder: Swimming starts for Y5 & 6 on Thursday 27th. Please give consent and make payment before your child's first session. Children without consent will be unable to swim but will sit pool side.

Remember that Y6 are returning after the end of the school day at 4pm for the first two weeks then Y5 will be late in the last two weeks. The timetable is as follows and shows the return time as 4pm to school for children in session 2:

Dates	Session 1	Session 2 (4pm return)
27.4.17	Year 5	Year 6
4.5.17	Year 5	Year 6
11.5.17	Year 6	Year 5
18.5.17	Year 6	Year 5
8.6.17	Year 3	Year 4
15.6.17	Year 3	Year 4
22.6.17	Year 4	Year 3
29.6.17	Year 4	Year 3
21.6.17 (Weds)	Y6 Swimming Gala – fees letter to follow	

Please could children tie back long hair or wear a swimming hat and remember to take a

swimsuit, these must a one piece for girls and short trunks for boys (not holiday shorts) towel and goggles, if children have them. Children may also wear a rash vest if they wish. If your child has an asthma inhaler or any other necessary medications, please can they ensure that they take them with them to the pool.

Sports

Session three on a Wednesday Y6 will have cricket and Y5 rounders for six weeks and then they swap.

Session four on a Wednesday Y3/4 will have activity afternoon/sports.

Session three on Thursday Y3 will have Rounder's & 4 Cricket for six weeks then swap.

Session four on Thursday's Y5/6 will have swimming for four weeks then Y3/4 have their turn.

Interhouse Cricket

Mrs Churchill's report: On Thursday this week all children in Year 3 & 4 took part in Inter House Cricket. Langdon was 4th, Stonham 3rd, Brewer 2nd & 1st with 246 runs, Joslin. Well done everyone – it was a very busy afternoon!

Mr Bulbeck's report: On Wednesday 19th the year 5/6 inter house cricket tournament was held , despite not having any practise sessions there was plenty of good cricket on display. After a fantastically close final Langdon finished up winning the tournament by 1 run.

County Hockey Finals



Mr Bulbeck's report: On Thursday 20th we took a squad of 10 boys and girls to compete in the County hockey finals at Millfield school. Having qualified through two tournaments to reach this stage we were already ranked in the top 7 teams in Somerset. Each team played everyone else through the day to find the County Champions. We started with a close match against Fairlands which we won 1-0, then we played the Park school who had beaten us twice in previous tournaments; but we produced one of the best performances I've seen to win comfortably 3-0, then followed 5-0, 5-1 and 2-0 victories, leaving us needing to win our last game against Eastover to become County Champions, again we produced an excellent performance and finished winning 7-0 and as a result becoming County Champions! This is an unbelievably good achievement and even better considering we were the smallest school competing. I'm extremely proud of all of the players and proof that their hard work pays off. Well done!

Sam G, Monty, Sam D, Finlay, James, Lola S, Freya, Darcie, Phoebe P, Daisy R. Special thanks also to Mr Andy Swain as attendance at his club and his links with Chard Hockey Club has helped the children improve immensely. We have also sent the photo to the Chard and Ilminster newspaper – so look out for it there!

Cross Country at Millfield

On Tuesday 25th we are attending Millfield School to take part in County Cross Country. Parents are kindly transporting the children and Mr Richard Evans from Holyrood Schools Cluster will be meeting the parents for registration at 4.30pm and Mr Bulbeck supervising from 5.15pm before the race starts. The selected children are: Kendra, Poppy, Sam, Rueben, Lola P, Lola S, Finlay, Flynn and Toby. Permission letters have already been sent out.

Y3 Inter House Forest School Fencing

Next week some of Y3 will be given the opportunity to take part Inter house Fencing at 2.15pm on the school field. Parents are warmly invited to watch and support.

Yours sincerely



**Steve Clarke
Principal**

April

Saturday 22nd April	9-3.30: Community AM – Volunteers needed!
Tuesday 25 th	4.30: Y3-6 Cross Country Millfield School A PT 9.30am: Reception & Y6 Height & Weight Checks
Wednesday 26th	Y3 Inter House Forest School Fencing/Sports Practise. Y4 Trip to @ Bristol
Thursday 27th	1.15: Y5 & 2.10: Y6 Swimming Y5/6 Sports Practise/No Forest Sch.
Friday 28th	Reception Class trip to Escot

*******PAFOTS Events*******

Saturday 22nd April	9-3.30: Community AM – Volunteers needed!
Friday 28 th	2.30-3.30: Pafots Meeting at school
Friday 30 th June	Summer Fete (after school)

*******Forward Dates*******

Friday 26th May	Sharing Day 12-1.00pm:KS1. 2-3.30pm:KS2
Wednesday 17 th May	Sports Day: AM: KS2 & PM: KS1 & Reception
Thursday 25 th May	Reserve Sports Day

*******Cake Days*******

26th May, 30th June & 21st July