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Primary School

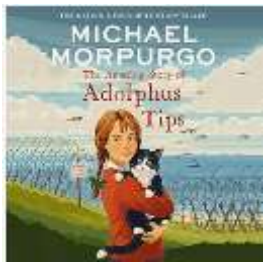


Headteacher: Ms Tracey Hart
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Sarah Hewitson
7th June 2024

Dear parents/carers and children,

Newsletter no 33

Well, we have certainly come back to school full of energy! This week has been packed with activities linked to the 80th anniversary of D-Day as well as visits and visitors in school.



Thank you to everyone who has helped the children complete their homelearning posters about D-Day on 6th June 1944 – these were shared in our special assembly yesterday, along with many facts that we didn't know! All of the work was well researched and wonderfully presented, so well done to everyone. Our two books went to Ava and Jacob – we hope you enjoy them. I will be buying extra copies of both Michael Morpurgo books for the library so we can all enjoy them across school.



Thank you also to all our special guests: Hilary and Richard from the RNLI; Jon and Jen from the Royal Navy; Jack from the British Army and Mr Holleran talking about life in the RAF. The children have found out lots of information and asked some excellent questions during these visits, this week.



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Wellbeing action group

Please see the attached flyer for our very first 'Wellbeing Fair', which will take place on Tuesday 18th June between 3.45 and 5.00pm. There will be information about local organisations and services available to support everyone's wellbeing, as well as the opportunity to chat and try out some 'mindful' activities.



On Monday, Willow Class were joined by Sam Addison, from the South-west Heritage Trust, for a rocks and fossils workshop to commence our science unit. We had a carousel of activities: identifying different types of rock: making wax rubbings of fossils and learning interesting facts about how they were formed millions of years ago. Our bingo game helped us to remember and recall lots of facts. Thank you to PAFOTS for providing us with this opportunity and to parent helpers for supporting the class.

Visitors this week

We had visits from all three armed forces this week: Years 4 and 5 had a wonderful time hearing about Jack's personal experience of joining the Army - he is currently just in his first few weeks of learning to drive a tank! The children enjoyed trying on the weighted vest, helmet and goggles.

Mr Jon Richards (senior) came in to talk about his time in the Navy as a helicopter engineer. He spoke about his experience, starting as an 18-year-old, and included many highlights from his 25 years' service.



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Years 5 and 6 had a visit from Mr Holleran who told the children all about his service with the RAF. He shared his medals and talked about the wide range of jobs and sports you can be part of.



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Bikeability – Well done to the final Y6 group who took part in Bikeability this week. Thank you to Mrs Glanville and Mrs Solman for supporting the children.
<https://www.bikeability.org.uk/>



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PFSA Drop-in

Thank you to all the parents who took the time today to say hello to Whitney, our parent and family support advisor. Whitney will be attending our Wellbeing Fair on Tuesday 18th June from 3.45- 5pm and Whitney is looking forward to seeing you then.

Orchestra Music clips

We are delighted to share two clips from the recent Axevalley Orchestra day – we hope you enjoy them!

Clip 1 - <https://youtu.be/5XIBnqkOFVM>

Clip 2 - <https://youtu.be/pS7zJqP2D44>

Wellbeing Week 2024 - 17th -21st June

Every Summer, we spend one week focusing on our physical and mental wellbeing. We aim to offer lots of different experiences for the children, so they can learn new skills and develop their confidence. We have been busy planning this year's event for several months now and we are all looking forward to it, with the highlight being our Sports Day on Thursday 20th June.

During this week, the children will spend lots of time taking part in physical activities outside, so please could we make the following requests:

Children should come to school

- *in sports kit (this can be their PE kit, or any other suitable sportswear),
- *with sun cream applied (and bring their sun cream to school if they need to reapply it),
- *with their water bottle,
- *with a coat if the weather looks bad.

For Sports Day on Thursday 20th June, children should wear their normal PE black shorts/skort/leggings/joggers and a T-shirt of the House colour: Brewer, Joslin, Langdon and Stonham.



Summer 2 Clubs

Updates for Maypole Club

In a change to the planned Maypole sessions, the final club will now be on Thursday 27th June which will also be a "parents welcome" session on 27th:

Parents/Carers of maypole dancers - we would like to invite you to join us for our final maypole dancing session of the year, on Thursday 27th June at 8am. Please come along if you can to watch the children show you their dancing, and hopefully you can get up and join in too!

Clubs

Golf for Y2-6 (20 places), Drama Club for Y3-6 (12 places). Please book as usual via parentpay. Some clubs will be continuing for the rest of the term: Art & Craft, Choir, Dodgeball, Cricket and Maypole Dancing.

Safeguarding:

Please find attached a flyer from National Online Safety: **What parents and educators need to know about Pop Up Ads**.

Back Gate

Just a reminder that the back gate is a quiet and safe alternative to negotiating the business of the front of the school! You can park in the playing fields car park and walk through the park to the gate.



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Attendance

100% attendance monthly award

In May 133 children attended school with 100% attendance and each received a special certificate in their class. Thank you for your efforts to keep children in school unless they have a temperature above 38 °C or they are too ill to attend.



Reception Class win the attendance cup this week with 100% - Well done!

Our whole school percentage this week is 95.66% (expected 96% target).

Late into school: Any pupils arriving late at school need to be signed in at the office by parent/carers on arrival. Thank you.

Sessions YTD	to date	%
Attendances	60691	96.44
Authorised Absences	1799	
Unauthorised Absences	443	
Possible attendance	62933	
Lates	481	

Celebrations!

Behaviour for Learning Certificates:

Acorn Class: **Iyla** for being motivated and engaged in her science observational drawing.

Albie for being a kind and helpful friend.

Oak Class: **Olivia** for keeping going and making huge improvements in her writing. **Zach** for working hard to stay motivated and engaged in his learning.

Beech Class: **Jacob** for always being polite to adults and other children. Lovely to see. **George** for perfect focus all week and some great questions about Columbus.

Willow Class: **Emma H** for confident communication explaining concepts of time (am/pm) within group practise. **Freddie** for great teamwork in maths, focus and engagement in English and progression with his reading. An all-round EXCELLENT week of learning!

Hawthorn Class: **Alise** for being a kind and considerate peer – giving something up for someone else to have. **Orla** for continuing to be diligent and striving for the best in all her lessons. A great learning behaviour to possess Orla!

Hazel Class: **Darcie** for being an outstanding team player in maths and having the confidence to help others. **Elijah** for aiming high and engaging well with Reading Plus. **Kian** for being a confident communicator and sharing fascinating facts about D Day.

Yew Class: **Oscar** for persevering, staying focussed and making fantastic progress in Bikeability. **Finley** for Aiming High in his writing.



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Platinum Bag

Reception Class: Eli, Clemmie & Luna for great symmetry butterfly work.

Beech Class: Finnley, Alfie, Jacob, Samuel for ordering the key events of Christopher Columbus accurately and neatly.

Hazel Class: Megan, Noah, Darcie, Effie & Jayden for going above and beyond to write their own explanations of how time zones work including any key words. Luca, Amelia, Wilf, Isabelle C, William & Oliver for their writing inspired by Michael Morpurgo's new book.



Sporting Spirits

The six values of **passion, belief, respect, honesty, determination and teamwork** were developed by young people to identify what the experience of **school sport** should be built around.

					
Arthur Y4	Harper Y4	Edward Y5	Olivia B Y4	Oliver Y4	Maisie St Y6



During half term Skye from Y6 was given an opportunity to train with England women and Pakistan women's team, incredible memories made!!!

Skye was awarded the hat for her bowling by one of the coaches and the main Pakistan player she was with said she is an incredibly talented bowler!!!

Kind regards



Tracey Hart, Headteacher.

Attachments:

Club list

NOS: What parents and educators need to know about Pop Up Ads

Wellbeing Fair Flyer

RNLI Staying Safe Flyer

Send & Inclusion Flyers

Face Family Advice



Reminders:

Robert Frith's Eye Care We Care Assemblies and Competition

Don't forget to enter their competition to design a pair of glasses with prizes for Y3/4 and Y5/6 - see attached sheet. Send in any designs by Monday as we have two super prizes to award.

Y3 PE

For this term year 3 PE lessons will change from Mondays & Tuesdays to Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Accelerated Reading

As requested, we have opened up quizzing at home. To access AR, please use the following [link](#)

Extended Services

Just a reminder for parents of children attending our extended services sessions: Breakfast club, and sessions 1 and 2 of Stay and Play must be booked in on parentpay in advance of the sessions. We are finding increasing numbers arriving not on the registers. We do need to know numbers in advance to ensure we have adequate staffing levels and food for breakfast and snacks. In addition, if your child is needing to join session 2, after attending



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a club first session, please only book into the first session of stay and play. Staff will then collect them at the end of clubs.

Uniform

The link to the ordering portal is now live and can be accessed through the following link: <https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/tatworth>. Please check residual school stock with the office by email before placing any orders as we will be selling off our stock at the present prices. Deliveries will be made to Tatworth on the 2nd & 4th Mon of each month. Also, Chard Community Hub have asked me to let parents/carers know that they have a large amount of Tatworth uniform available for parents to purchase.

A reminder that children need a water bottle in school each day, as well as a sun hat and sunscreen. Naming cardigans and jumpers is especially beneficial at this time of year as children often take these off and then get distracted whilst playing on the field and leave them there. It is then quite tricky to return these to the rightful owner.

Celebration assembly is held weekly each Friday at 11.45am except for the first Friday of the month when it is at 2.55pm. All are welcome! The next afternoon assembly will be on Friday 5th July.

Free School Meals

We encourage all families to check their entitlement to free school meals/Pupil Premium. We have been told by County that any existing PP applications will not be rechecked until March 2025, so changes in circumstances will not be picked up until then. We also have a PP offer for all children who are benefit-related FSM. Please click on the link below to access the application. <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/free-school-meals/> If you have recently become unemployed but are still receiving Working Tax Credits, you may be entitled to free school meals. Please phone 0300 123 2224 for advice.



Dates:

Wednesday 12 th June	Tempest in for Reception and Y6 Class photos
	Y3 Visit to Seaton Wetlands
17-21 st June	Wellbeing Week
Tuesday 18 th June	Wellbeing Fair 3.45pm – 5pm
Thursday 20 th June	Sports day:
	9-10.30 Reception, 1 and 2
	11.15-12.30 Years 3 and 4
	2.15-3.30 Years 5 and 6
Friday 21 st June	Summer Fair 3.45pm start
Monday 24 th June	Y4 Charmouth Visit
Wednesday 26 th June	Y6 Transition Day for The Woodroffe School
Thursday 27 th June	Reception Visit to Axevalley Animal Park



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Tuesday 2nd July
Wednesday 3rd July
Mon 8th & Tues 9th July
Thursday 11th July
Monday 15th July
Tuesday 16th July

Wednesday 17th July
Thursday 18th July

Friday 19th July

Y6 Somerset Cricket Day
Y6 Transition for Axe Valley Academy
Y6 Transition Holyrood Academy
Music Assemblies from 9.15am
Y6 Clip & climb Visit
2.15pm Y6 Performance Dress Rehearsal (Supported by Y5)
6pm Y6 Performance (Supported by Y5)
6pm Y6 Performance (Supported by Y5)
3.15pm Y6/Teachers Rounders & BBQ
5.15pm – 6.15pm KS2 Disco TBC
10am Leavers' Assembly



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