



Beer C of E Primary School

Friday Flier - 39



Friday 21st July 2017

Executive Headteacher: Miss Rebecca Porter

Chair of Governors: Mrs Jean Smith

COMING UP	
Monday 4 th September	Non pupil day
Tuesday 5 th September	Children's first day back
Thursday 7 th September	Axe Valley Academy Roadshow at Beer to meet Year 5 & 6 parents
w/c Monday 11 th September	Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday 12 th September	Class 4 swimming starts
Thursday 14 th September	West Country School Music lessons commence
Thursday 14 th September	Theatre Alibi's 'Apple John' performance in school

A message from Miss Porter & Mr Evans:

Thank you to all the year 6 children for a superb leavers' service on Wednesday. We particularly enjoyed their parody and staffroom alter-egos sketch – what double lives the staff lead! It was most amusing to see the children's perception of the staff's alternative personalities. As we say goodbye to the year 6 today, we do so with mixed emotion as we are not only sad to see them go but we're excited about what lies ahead. They have made such a positive contribution to the school and have been a delight. On behalf of the school community, we would like to wish them all the very best as they embark on their next chapter and hope they relish the new experiences and challenges that lie ahead. Sadly, we also say goodbye to Mrs Wilkins and Ms Randall today. They have both worked tirelessly in their time with us; we really hope our paths will cross again soon and also wish them well for the future.

As we come to the end of the 2016/17 school year, we have been thinking about some of the activities and sporting events we have enjoyed. There have been some real achievements on the sporting front with some teams progressing through to East Devon finals in rounders, netball and tag rugby. We've also shared an enjoyable sports day and yet another successful Beer Blazer. The children have enjoyed a visit from Rob Pudner and Key Stage 2 has also enjoyed recent residential/activity days whilst key stage 1 and reception enjoyed pond dipping at Peco and their visit to The World of Country Life. Thank you to the PTFA and other volunteers who support the school – we really appreciate your time, energy and enthusiasm and we're thrilled that the children benefit from your time and generosity.

We're sure you have lots of exciting activities planned for the summer holiday – have fun, relax and we look forward to welcoming you back to school in September. Jean Smith, our chair of governors, has written an end of term letter to parents which we have included in the flier.

Thank you for your support – we have thoroughly enjoyed working with the children and yourselves and we wish you a relaxing summer break.

With best wishes,

Miss Porter & Mr Evans

Telephone: 01297 20077

Email: Beeradmin@arkstcmat.org

www.beer-ce-primary.devon.sch.uk

Thank You Certificates

Thank You to ALL the children in our school for a fantastic year and a special mention to the Year 6's for contributing so positively to the life of the school.

Reminders / Notices

Extreme Reading Competition

We challenge all of you to show us your most dedicated reading in our Extreme Reading Competition! We look forward to seeing photos of your 'Extreme Reading' places and we will be creating a display of the results in the library in September.

Classes 1 & 2

PLEASE COULD CHILDREN ONLY BRING BOOK BAGS TO SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER AS THERE IS NO ROOM FOR LARGER RUCKSACKS IN THE CLOAKROOM AREA. THANK YOU.

For class 1 & 2's topic next term 'Towers, Tunnels & Turrets' Mrs Martin and Mrs Hawtin would welcome any donations of castle related toys or dressing up such as princess/knight costumes. Thank you.

Lost Property

Taylor Heddington has lost a Somerset County Cricket black fleece, please can everyone look in bags, on pegs and at home, thank you.

School Meals

If your child is in the current year 2 cohort (moving into Y3 in September), they will no longer be entitled to universal free school meals and dinner forms will then need to be submitted on a weekly basis or packed lunches sent. For current year 2 children moving into year 3 - payment for lunches booked in September needs to be paid online at the beginning of next term once the children have moved into their new year groups. Thank you.

Leavers' Rounders

On Tuesday, the eagerly awaited annual rounders match between parents and Year 6 children took place in challenging weather conditions. The parents batted first and put in a strong first innings performance, scoring 5 ½ rounders. The children then, despite being the favourites, collapsed with some smart catches being taken by James Green. The children ended the first innings on 4 rounders. Then, with the rain starting to fall, the parents extended their lead with another solid batting performance. By the time they were all out, the children needed 9 rounders to win. They got off to a strong start with Jake Paget getting an early rounder but, despite a spirited comeback, the Parents were the eventual winners 12-10. A big thank you to all who played; it was an enjoyable evening of mildly competitive rounders.



Leavers' Service

The Leavers' Assembly on Wednesday afternoon was a fantastic celebration of the children in Year 6. They reflected on their time at school, their ambitions and had a very interesting insight into the staffroom! All the children sang beautifully and it was a fitting end to their time at primary school. We would like to wish the Year 6 children all the very best for the future and thank them all for representing the school so well over the years. We have included the words for our leaving song as it was quite difficult to hear all the words in church.



Class 4 Enterprise Projects

This final week has seen the children complete their businesses and the funds raised will go towards creating an environmental area in our school grounds. The children have worked really hard and a big thank you to all the parents who supported their ventures. The final totals are:

Jabbia: £39.50; Yum £30.50; Loads £61.60; Ice Creams R Us £19.70; Frugal foods £48.70 & the car wash teams £40.66, therefore an overall total of £240.66. What a terrific effort!

Class 3 Trip to Seaton Wetlands - By Class 3

On Monday 17th July, Class 3 set out on an exciting adventure to Seaton Wetlands. Miss Squire took the register and we began our journey in the mini bus with Mr Evans as our chauffeur. When we arrived, we met Penny who works for the Wetlands and was looking after us. She gave us a piece of card with boring, dull caterpillars and a piece of double sided tape across the centre. She set us a mission, our mission if we wish to take it was to create the prettiest, caterpillar bursting with colour. Whilst walking to our base, we collected different colours from the hedgerow and stuck them onto our caterpillar. Some children, Jacob, decided a large dock-leaf was going to become the caterpillar's hat, whereas others used smaller more delicate items.

When we arrived at our base, we had a quick snack and began our bug hunting and pond dipping. The year 3's were the first to take part in the mini-beast hunt, using large pillow case like nets to catch an amazing range of grass hoppers, this soon became a competition! We learned the difference between grass hoppers and crickets; crickets have long antennas and grass hoppers have shorter ones. Meanwhile, the year 4's went with Mrs Parkhouse and began pond dipping. They caught a range of different bugs and fish from the pond. We were surprised to find a; water stick insect, water scorpion and baby newts. 45 minutes later the year groups swapped over.

Finally, after another 45 minutes, skillfully we washed our hands with lots of soap and ate a delicious lunch at our base. It was then time for free time, to run off some energy before we learnt how to meditate and listen to the sounds around us. Next, we transformed into Bumble Bees.

Bumble Bees became the focus of our game. We were given pipets and in teams we had to collect the most nectar from the flowers on the field, the year 4's were victorious!! During the second game, a member of each team had to run and find a flower that was full of nectar (aka water and food colouring), they then danced to their team in an attempt to show them where the nectar was. The year 3's this time took the championship.

Lastly, we had a chance to create our own Nature Reserve. We used; tin foil, soil, grass, stones, cardboard and nature. These were excellent and we used our knowledge of habitats to create a safe environment to keep bugs.

Over all, it was a fantastic day. Lots of fun was had and even a few things were learnt!! Thank you to Penny and Seaton Wetlands for having us, I'm sure we will be back again very soon.



Message from Mrs Jean Smith, Chair of Governors

Dear Parents and Carers,

As another wonderful year in our schools comes to an end, what a lot has been achieved and just where did that time go!

The Ark Federation's two schools became academies in October and joined St Christopher's Multi Academy Trust. The staff have appreciated and benefitted from being part of a larger group of Christian Schools with shared expertise and training.

An important part of every Governor's meeting is Miss Porter's report which provides us with information which includes; current trends in education and how our schools fit in to new developments, results from SATs, attendance, pupil progress across the curriculum and staff development. It has been great for governors to hear about the training and continuing professional development the staff engage in and we are pleased that staff are taking opportunities to visit and share good practise with other schools in St Christopher's MAT.

In addition to Governor's meetings, all Governors are expected to visit schools or liaise with the staff and attend training. It is a commitment we are pleased to give and we are all passionate about giving your children the very best educational opportunities. The recent upper key stage 2 enterprise events in each school have been good; it is great that the children have been able to take ownership of a 'business' and within it, manage budgets and money. The children have also enjoyed many sporting achievements, competing with other schools in our locality and Devon with enthusiasm. They have been amazing; whether it involves tag rugby, netball, football or cross country running to mention just a few activities. The Year 6 residential at Rockley was enjoyed by all (including staff) and it was a great team building experience.

On behalf of the Governing Body I thank you all for your continued support for all that is done in school and also thank you to the PTFAs in both schools who work tirelessly to put on events and raise much needed money for those extras we just could not do without. We wish all our leavers every success as they move on to the next stage of their education. They will be missed.

With good wishes for a fantastic summer with your families.

Jean Smith

Chair of Governors

Telephone: 01297 20077

Email: Beeradmin@arkstcmat.org

www.beer-ce-primary.devon.sch.uk

Music lessons



Spaces are available for children wishing to learn to play an instrument during the school day starting in September 2017

Instruments available: Clarinet, Flute, Cornet, Alto saxophone, Trombone, Keyboard/piano, Guitar, Recorder (plus Violin in some schools).

For more information or to book lessons please see separate information leaflet attached or phone the West Country School Music office on 07740 117227 or email wscm@btinternet.com website: www.westcountryschoolmusic.co.uk

JM DanceFit Zumba Classes – Book NOW for September

KIDS HAVE FUN & IMPROVE FITNESS & CONFIDENCE LEVELS

New children are welcome to join these termly classes after the Summer break.

Every Friday **RECOMMENCING September 8th 2017**

3.30pm - 4.15pm Beer ZumbaKids - MAIN HALL

Autumn Term Dates: September: 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, October: 6th, 13th, 20th, November: 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, December: 1st, 8th, 15th

Total Autumn Term Class Fee: £56 (£4 per class x 14 classes) Cash payments to be provided in a named, sealed envelope no later than the child's first class. If you would like to book your child a place, please contact Johanna directly on 07739518587 or at johanna@jmdancefit.co.uk

Thank you for your continued support, The Beer Staff Team

Community Events & Notices

East Devon Heath Week - Sunday 24 July to Saturday 30 July

Whether you enjoy wildlife, history or getting active in the outdoors there is something for everyone!

The week kicks off with the Family Festival Day on Sunday 23 July 2017 at Woodbury Castle followed by a week of activities celebrating the beautiful heathland landscape of East Devon.

A partnership project with East Devon District Council, Devon Wildlife Trust, RSPB, Pebblebed Heaths Conservation Trust and Clinton Devon Estates, find out details of all the events at <http://www.heathweek.org/> or <https://www.facebook.com/heathweek>

Millwey Rise AFC Youth & DM Coaching Youth Indoor Coaching Session

All children aged 5 - 7 years old are welcome. Indoor sessions to be held at The Axe Valley Sports Centre, on Wednesdays 5pm - 6pm, starting in September 2017! The sessions will be run by FA Qualified Coaches and it's only £3 a session. If you are interested in getting your child involved please contact Daniel Murnane on 07845 498057 or dmcoaching@hotmail.com

Colyton Theatre Group's Summer School

Colyton Theatre Group's Summer School will be suitable for students between the ages of 8 yrs. – 15 yrs.

The Reece Strawbridge Youth Centre (EX24 6PU) has been booked in the studio upstairs, from 14th – 18th August, 2017.

Sara Perry will be running the school, and has, kindly, written a play for us, that will involve, varied talents and crafts. There are magic acts, singing and dancing, and many more, this is dependent on the students, and how their story evolves, with Sara's guidance. The sessions will include improvisation, costume and make-up skills, and we hope, will make the student's week an enjoyable one. The sessions will start at 10.00a.m. and will finish at 2.00 p.m. on Monday to Thursday. On Friday the 18th, the session will end with a performance, at 3.00p.m. and after, the clearing away.

We hope as many family, friends and group members will come and join us for the performance, to make this a special occasion for our students. If you would like to register for this Summer School, or have any queries, please contact Jackie Carr on 01297 552252 or E-mail info@colytontheatregroup.co.uk

Beer Flower Show - Thursday 3rd August 2017 at 3.00pm in the Mariners' Hall.

Doors open at 2.30pm, Admission £1, Children free.

Children's classes include: best sunflower, vase of wild flowers, grasses and ferns, scarecrow, miniature garden in own receptacle, funniest animal made from vegetables, model made by recycling material, painted pebble, decorated flower pot, 6 rock cakes, cup cakes, painting or drawing and lego model (not kit). A full list of Children's Classes can be picked up from the school office.

Please support this village show - why not use one of the pieces of art work that your child has already completed during Big Arts Week to enter in the show!

Devon Air Ambulance - Grand Summer Draw 2017

We now have raffle tickets for this Grand Summer Draw for sale in the office. To be drawn on 22 September 2017.

Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis

There is a full list of the summer family shows that has been attached separately and emailed to parents.

Telephone: 01297 20077

Email: Beeradmin@arkstcmat.org

www.beer-ce-primary.devon.sch.uk

East Devon Countryside Team - Summer Events

There is a full list of the summer events that has been attached separately and emailed to parents.

Coastal Craft Collective Summer Holiday Workshops, Seaton

Full listing attached separately and emailed.

Animal Agents Summer Reading Challenge at Seaton Library

The Summer Reading Challenge will be starting at Seaton Library this Saturday 15 July, so why not pop in to sign up be introduced to the Animal Agents – a whole host of clever creatures, ready to solve all kinds of crimes! The Animal Agents have been specially trained to use their skills and natural instincts to unravel mysteries and they would like you help them find out what has been happening at their library.

If you can't come along this Saturday, don't worry - you can sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge whenever the library is open, then read six books of your choice and collect special stickers (some of them are smelly ones!) – all for FREE. Everyone who finishes the Challenge will receive a medal and certificate, plus an invitation to meet the author Sarah Lean at Seaton Library after the summer holidays. If you finish the Challenge, you will also earn a house point for your house at school – the house with the most points will win the Reading Challenge Trophy.

There will be craft activities, competitions and storytimes happening throughout the summer, so don't miss out on all the fun.

Joining the library is completely FREE and open to everyone.

Thelma Hulbert Gallery (THG) - Saturday 26 August

Join us this Summer Holidays in our 'Wild Art' garden for some garden-inspired art activities for all the family.

- Drop in anytime between 11am and 3pm.
- All ages and abilities welcome.
- Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult, suggest donation £2 / child.

Dowell Street, Honiton EX14 1LX. www.thelmahulbert.com / info@thelmahulbert.com / 01404 45006.

Leaving Song – We're Yours

Well we're done, done and we're sad that we're
leavin,

We've been here so long that it's such a strange
feeling,

But it is time to go, and you've gotta know that..

Innes is a leader, she is always organising,
Dabbing Adam likes to cook, his hairstyles are
surprising
Jamie's full of smiles and Kaitlyn swims for miles

So we are lea-ving Be-er school, we're sure
We'll miss you all, we're yours.

Evan is so brainy doesn't need a calculator,
Jen complains that she is hot just like a radiator,
Cerys works so hard and Leo is so random (pause
and shrug)

Hannah's always singing, she's a fan of Ed Sheeran,
Millie's always terrified and regularly fearin'
Meisha loves her horse and Bean's a sporting force

So we are lea-ving Be-er school, we're sure
We'll miss you all, we're yours.

Well Dylan is the rugby lad,
And Harvey can run like mad,
Look into our class and you'll find fun, fun, fun, fun,
Jake shows off his cra-zy skills in Maths,
Isaac's got one of those laughs
We're sad to go cos it's been fun, fun, fun, fun, fu-
un.

So we are lea-ving Be-er school, we're sure
We'll miss you all, we're yours.
Luca is a lovely girl who is always a delight,
And talented Amelie, there's nothing she can't
write,
Now it's time to go and you need to know that

So we are lea-ving Be-er school, we're sure
We'll miss you all, we're yours.