



Beer C of E Primary School

Friday Flier - 18



Friday 19th January 2018

Executive Headteacher: Miss Rebecca Porter

Chair of Governors: Mrs Jean Smith

COMING UP	
Tuesday 23 rd January	Year 1 Dance Festival - WEAR PE KIT TO SCHOOL
Friday 26 th January	Willow tunnel pruning - 1.30pm - PARENTS INVITED TO HELP - see page 4 for further information
Monday 5 th February	Interim Reports to parents

A message from Miss Porter & Mr Evans:

This week classes 1 and 2 enjoyed a visit to the beach as part of their topic 'Where my wellies take me'. It was a bit hit and miss in the morning as to whether they'd be able to go given the weather but thankfully, all worked out in the end. Thank you to the parents that volunteered their time to accompany the children as without your support, we wouldn't be able to participate in such activities.

Staff have started to write interim reports for children in years 1 to 6 as these are due to come home on February 5th. Following feedback after last year's interim reports, these will be followed by an opportunity to come and share your child's books with them on February 6th at 9am. We are also aware that some parents may still require a parent consultation meeting with their child's class teacher, therefore we will provide an opportunity to do so after half term. As reception children do not receive an interim report, Mrs Martin will be running parent consultations for all reception parents. If you have any questions, please speak to us!

With best wishes for a relaxing weekend,

Miss Porter & Mr Evans

Thank You Certificates

Congratulations to the following children:

Class 1: **Molly Gee** for a fantastically detailed picture of 'The Owl and the Pussycat', **Florence Hancock** for showing independently her understanding of the 'part, part, whole' model, **Harriet Hartnell** for choosing to show her Maths knowledge and generally being a busy bee, **Gabriella Silva Shaw** for her excellent performance skills when practising 'The Owl and the Pussycat' and **All of Classes 1 & 2** for excellent behaviour on the beach visit.

Class 2: **Imara Smith** for her determination and success at division in Maths, **Isaac Hardinge Walsh** for his excellent 'Show and Tell' about Dinosaurs and **Dolly Bird** and **William Gribble** for making a determined effort to read at home.

Class 3: **Lulu Thomson** for her courage and determination to complete the 'hot chili' tasks in Maths, **Darcy Bucklar Green** for demonstrating fantastic knowledge and working with a positive attitude and **Thomas Jones, Gabby Sweetland, Silas Moore, Maisie Clist, Darcy Bucklar Green** and **Emily Parkinson** for moving up to the next spelling list.

Class 4: **Archie Sweetland** for showing a much more consistent attitude towards his learning, **Roman Moore** for being a fantastic, highly motivated member of the class, **Selby Overington-Ward, Jasmine Cornell, Anna Wolfreys, Kyla Silva-Shaw, Luca Houseago, Corey Pritchard** and **Clara Orlando** for moving up to the next spelling list, **Roman Moore, Jasmine Cornell, Charlotte Leslie** and **Jack Westlake** for moving up to the next times table club and **Hannah Leslie** and **Sienna Arbourne** for getting up to 'outstanding' on our zone board.

Star Writer: Elena Adkin



Emergency Procedures – Bad Weather

A decision will be made by 7.45am if we have to close the school. The next step is to inform parents. We will notify you by text message via Teachers2Parents Text Message Service so please ensure that we have all your up to date information. Also, we will inform BBC Radio Devon and Heart Radio or please check for updates on the school's website and/or Twitter page, the address is @BeerCofEPrimary. If you do not have internet access, you can ring the school after 8.30am but obviously the line may be busy, so please be patient. In all circumstances, if you feel that your local conditions prevent you from getting to school safely, do not travel. If the school is open and you cannot risk the journey, please contact the school after 9am.

THE CHILDREN'S WEEK

Class 1: Our wellies took us to the beach on Monday to see what it is like in the winter. We had a great time and the children made excellent observations and enjoyed creating pictures from things they found on the beach. Thank you to all the volunteers who came with us. In Maths, we have focused on addition in terms of first, then and now. Reception have used toys to tell addition stories and have recorded them pictorially. Year 1 have drawn addition stories and written number sentences and have shown addition on a number line. We have also been creating and continuing patterns.

We now have actions and can recite the whole of 'The Owl and the Pussycat' with great enthusiasm. We have started to think about this poem as a story in terms of characters and events and have orally retold it in a group. Reception sounds this week: ai – snail in the rain; ee – what can you see, igh – fly high; oa – goat in the boat. In RE, Reception listened to the story 'The Huge Bag of Worries' and thought about who they would talk to if they were worried. Year 1 do RE with class 2, so please see RE section below in class 2.

Jobs to do this week have included: designing boats, answering questions from the beach survey, patterns and writing/drawing about our visit.

We are going to make the boats next week, so if you have any small items of junk modelling materials please send them in. Rinsed plastic cartons/trays would be particularly appreciated.

Class 2: The unpredictable weather was very kind to Class 1 and 2 this week, when we went down to the beach to work as part of our topic. Although the wind was very blustery, the sun shone and the rain held off. We had a splendid time, investigating what the beach is like in the winter months. The children made pieces of artwork out of the things that they found on the beach, such as seaweed, sea shells and driftwood. They also completed tally charts about the things that they could count on the beach, such as beach huts and boats. The children were all very involved in the activities and were very well behaved.

In R.E. we discussed the painting of the Mystic Nativity by Sandro Botticelli; a beautiful painting of the birth of Christ. We talked about what all the characters might be doing and thinking in the painting. Then we 'hot-seated' being one of the three Wise Men, discussing why they went to see Jesus and how they might have felt.

In Maths, Year 1 have been adding numbers to 20 and Year 2 have continued their work on division. In Literacy the children have been looking at retelling the poem 'The Owl And The Pussycat' as a piece of narrative text.

Class 3: This week, Year 4's have been tackling the tricky area of written multiplication. They have shown fantastic resilience and determination to follow new methods with more challenging multiplication questions. Year 3's have been securing their knowledge of the 3/4 and 5 times tables while learning all about their fact families. In topic, we have begun to learn about where food goes once it has entered your body. The class has taken great pride in being able to identify the different teeth and the main parts of our digestive system while learning some interesting facts along the way! In Literacy, they have been changing the past to present tense and creating their own marvelous contraptions.

Class 4 have been working at improving their independent learning in their topic work and RE this week. We have learnt about how settlements changed from the Stone Age through to the Iron Age and researched the reasons why this change happened. The children have then thought of creative ways they can share/display that information. In RE they have been following their own lines of enquiry with Buddhism. In English, the children have been creating Story Mountains ready for their final story which they will start next week. In Maths, the Year 5's have been finding perimeters of rectangles, polygons and irregular shapes whilst year 6 have been multiplying and dividing decimals to 3 decimal places.

Year 1 Dance Festival

We will send home PE kits on Friday, as the children need to come dressed in PE kits on Tuesday morning with school jumpers, PE shirt, jogging trousers/leggings and PE shoes. If anything is missing, we hopefully will be able to track it down on Monday! They will be able to stay in their kit all day on Tuesday as they have PE in the afternoon.

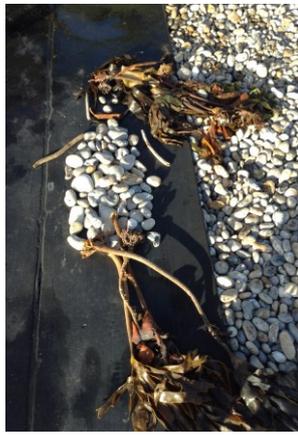
Thank you.

Lost Property

- Zachary Dove has lost a named, royal blue, school beanie hat.
- Toby Adkin has lost several named items: royal blue school jumper, PE trainers & PE tracksuit bottoms. Please can everyone have a look in bags, PE bags, on pegs and at home for these items. Many thanks.

Beach Visit Classes 1 & 2

We had a great time at the beach on Monday afternoon and the weather was very kind to us, if a bit chilly towards the end. We observed the weather and what the beach is like at this time of the year and particularly noticed what we needed to wear. We conducted a survey of what we could see on the beach and used seaweed, pebbles and driftwood to create pictures. A great big thank to all the volunteers.



Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service - Staying Safe Presentation - Years 1 & 2 and 5 & 6 - Thursday 1st March

As part of their commitment to keep all young people in Devon and Somerset safer from fire and other dangers, members of the Fire & Rescue Service visit schools to educate pupils to promote safe practices and highlight the consequences of unsafe behaviour at home, in the school and within the community.

During this visit, there will be a session for years 1 and 2 and a session for years 5 and 6, therefore sessions will be age appropriate and build on prior learning.

During the session, pupils learn about:

- The role of the Fire Service
- How to identify hot and cold items
- The dangers of matches, lighters and candles
- How to make an emergency 999 call and the consequences of hoax calls
- How to plan a safe escape route from your home in case of fire
- The value and importance of smoke alarms
- How to adopt the stop, drop and roll method if clothing became involved in fire



Whilst Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue would value the opportunity to engage with all the pupils in school, they understand that some parents/guardians may wish to withdraw their child from these sessions. If this is necessary, please inform the school office to request an opt-out request. Thank you.

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Beer Blazer

Last year's Beer Blazer team worked incredibly hard over a long period of time to organise the event. Due to the large amount of work and preparation involved, going forward we propose to run this event bi-annually, therefore it will not take place this year. We aim to hold the first meeting for the 2019 event at the end of September this year (date to follow in due course) where we would like to establish a committee.

Willow Tunnel Pruning - Friday 26th January - 1.30pm

On Friday 26th January, Richard Kerwood from Windrush Willow will be coming to school to carry out necessary maintenance to the willow tunnel on the field, which has become quite overgrown. He plans to cut all the stems down to 1" above ground level. They will then start to shoot again in the spring and because of the well-developed root stock they would send multiple shoots from each stump growing to a height of 12ft by end of September.

By the afternoon Mr Kerwood will be in a position for children and parents to help with planting new rods and hauling the unwanted branches to his trailer. Tea/coffee and biscuits will be on offer to parent helpers.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Beer Staff Team

Community Events & Notices

Beer Variety Night - Friday 2nd February 2018 - COSTUMES NEEDED

Tina Bishop (Clara's mum) would be very grateful for the loan of any: cat costumes, mask, ears, tails, gloves etc for children to borrow in order to do a performance of cats in the variety night. The performance is on Friday 2 February, but ideally she would like them ASAP and she promises to return them afterwards!

Many thanks.

Branscombe Panto - Jack and the Beanstalk - Friday 23rd & Saturday 24th February 2018 - 7.30pm

Branscombe Village Hall Pantomime presented by Branscombe Players. Tickets: Nic & Kay Smith - 01297 680593. Adults: £6.50, Children: £3. Doors open 6.45pm. Bar.

Young Photographer of the Year 2018 Competition - organised by Honiton Camera Club

Subject: Wildlife or Pets

Age groups: 8-11 or 12-16

Up to 3 entries person, size 7 x 5 inches as either colour or black and white prints, unmounted. Each photograph must have a title and the name, age and contact number of the entrant. Please send entries to Mrs J Stephens, Sidbury Mill, Sidbury, Sidmouth, EX10 ORE before 31st March 2018. Free entry. Must be your own work, unaided. No late entries can be accepted.

All entries (subject to the discretion of the judges) will be exhibited at the Prize Giving at The Gallery, Sidbury Mill, Sidbury on Saturday 5th May at 2pm. All exhibitors with a parent/guardian are invited. No unaccompanied children please.

Prizes of £60, £40, £20 for the 3 winners in each group. With very grateful thanks to all local sponsors.

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