



Beer C of E Primary School

Friday Flier - 18



Friday 25th January 2019

Executive Headteacher: Miss Rebecca Porter

Chair of Governors: Mr Clive Robertson

COMING UP	
Monday 11 th February	Interim Reports to parents
Wednesday 13 th February	3.00pm - Parent & Child Book Share <u>(please note this date has been changed from 12.2.19)</u>
Wednesday 13 th February	Stockland Cross Country – race 3

A message from Mr Evans & Miss Porter:

Scraping ice off the windscreen has become a bit of a recurring morning routine this week with the colder mornings. We have a small number of children who are walking to school in the chilly air without coats. Please do remind children that they need them especially as this time of year can be rife with cold and flu symptoms.

Tuesday was a busy day this week; Year 1 children attended a dance festival, Class 4 visited Escot for a Saxon Day experience and Mrs Blackmore had her internal audit in both schools! The three year groups that had been out and about came back full of enthusiasm about their trips; visits such as these help to provide such a valuable experience for the children both educationally and socially. Thank you to those members of staff and parents that helped make each possible.

With best wishes,

Mr Evans & Miss Porter

Thank You Certificates

School Values Awards:

Class 1: Arabella for friendship, for always being kind and thoughtful to others and helping them when needed.

Class 2: Albie for community, always ready to join in with others, a real team player and a good friend to his class.

Class 3: Louis for courage, for having the courage to keep going when he was learning about new ways of writing, and now can write wonderfully descriptive sentences.

Class 4: Lana for trust, for being a mature, sensible and hard-working member of the class.

Learning Behaviour Awards:

Class 1: Finnley for resilience, for finishing the fish and whale words and **Jake** for independence, for learning to sound and blend words.

Class 2: Ryan for resilience in class by trying hard to listen and improve his handwriting.

Class 3: Oliver S for community, for always setting an excellent example of how to behave during learning times and play times.

Class 4: Daniel, for independence, for showing positivity and enthusiasm for learning.



The Children's Week

Class 1: Looking at works of art, year 1 were asked to think about which story they represent and came up with lots of suggestions using their knowledge of the Bible. Having listened to the story of 'The Prodigal Son', they made links with this story, which will lead us to thinking about what Christians believe God is like. Reception are looking about how people can be helped when they need it and thought about this after listening to story of 'The Snail and the Whale'. In Literacy, we are immersing ourselves in the story of 'The Three Little Pigs', through guided reading, role-play and learning the story off by heart. For Maths, Reception have been ordering numbers and showing numbers in different ways. Year 1 have recorded numbers by drawing tens and ones, put numbers in order and have partitioned numbers and recorded them as number sentences e.g. $16 = 10 + 6$. 'Jobs to do' have included applying last week's knowledge of singular and plural and making collages from different materials. Year 1 went to a dance festival on Tuesday and were keen to tell me how they got on with dance moves linked to 'The Jungle Book'. A great big thank you to Mrs Fitz, Miss Newton and Emma Molony for accompanying them.

Class 2: In class 2 this week we have been learning about famous pirates and have written biographies about Blackbeard. We have designed and painted pirate ships thinking about the different parts of the ship. In Maths, we have been exploring different ways of showing information such as pictograms and tallies. We have looked at world maps and labelled oceans and continents that the pirates would have visited. We also looked at the journey pirates would have made from England to the Caribbean. In Grammar, we have been learning about adding suffixes 'ful' and 'less' to words and making sentences using these words.

Class 3: We have now finished our Maths unit of multiplication and division. The children have shown good progression from their end of unit assessment and are applying the skills learnt when answering a range of questions. We have started a new unit of measure and are consolidating our knowledge of how many millimetres are in a centimetre, centimetres in a metre and metres in a kilometre. The super quality of their descriptive writing has continued this week; we have developed their skill of "show, not tell", which is a method of describing a character's feelings or reactions without actually telling the reader outright. We have started planning the final piece of writing for this unit, which will be to write a descriptive piece based on a Roman God. In Topic, the children have been researching who the Roman Gods were, plus facts about the Roman Army. In Science, we learnt all about Mount Vesuvius and volcanoes, and how Pompeii has been preserved after being buried by volcanic ash for nearly 2000 years.

Class 4: Class 4 have had another busy week. Our visit to Escot on Tuesday was a real treat and a great way to understand more about the Saxon way of life; a big thank you to all who helped out. We are using that experience to launch the rest of the topic during which the children will be designing their own Anglo-Saxon settlement. In English, the children have become Dragonologists and have begun studying Dragons from all over the world. They are working towards writing their own field guide for studying dragons. In Maths, they have been adding and subtracting fractions with mixed denominators and Year 6 have also used mixed numbers.

Reminders / Notices

- Just a reminder to parents that doors open at 8.45am in preparation for registration at 8.55 – 9.05am.
- Please feel free to use the running track while you are waiting for the doors to open. However, children **MUST** be supervised by an adult whilst doing this and must be brought back up as normal for the doors opening at 8.45am. Please note, there may be times where the running track will not be available due to bad weather or muddy/slippery ground.
- At the end of the day, 3.30pm, please ensure that the office or your child's class teacher is aware if somebody other than a parent or regular grandparent will be collecting your child.
- For collection at afterschool clubs, please collect from the field or wait until 4.30pm and then ring the buzzer or knock on the lower door. For security the lower door needs to be kept closed/locked. Thank you for your cooperation.
- **Lost Property** – Payton has lost his recorder in a black bag. Please can everyone check in bags/at home. Thank you.

Beer Parent Governor – Ernie Stobbs

If any parents have any feedback, questions or queries, they would be most welcome to contact our current Federation Parent Governor, Ernie Stobbs, by emailing parentgovernor@arkstcmat.org

Beer Blazer 2019 - Update

We're excited to announce that a core group of parents have begun organising the Beer Blazer series of races. Hurray! We've already had a couple of meetings to confirm that the fundraiser can be held on **Sunday 12th May 2019** - please save the date. The official Facebook page is www.facebook.com/beerblazer so you can "like", "follow" and "share" with your friends.

We're a friendly bunch – honest. We also understand that everyone is busy but we really would appreciate *your* help. Do you have any contacts or ideas about how to improve the event? You may like to help with behind the scenes preparations, event sponsorship or by giving us an hour or so of your time to set up the site, assist with refreshments, organise entries, marshal the course or call race numbers at the finish etc. If you have young children to care for, perhaps a friend or family member wouldn't mind lending a hand? After all, many hands make light work.

To keep up momentum we meet fortnightly in the run up to the Blazer. If you could add to the team and would like to be involved in anyway then please let the School Office know. The more the merrier!

Kind regards,

James Green (Race Director), Alex Adkin, Hannah Clist, Helen Muir Rowe, Kate Adkin, Richard Jackson & Suzy Eul-Brown - The Beer Blazer Team.

Year 1 Dance Festival

On Tuesday morning, the year 1's went to Axe Valley Academy to take part in a Dance workshop led by Hannah Oxley and her team of sports leaders. The children were split into teams to learn an animal themed dance based on 'The Jungle Book'. Our school team were lions and at the end, all the animal teams performed together as a group. The children behaved very well and had a brilliant time.



Class 4 Escot Saxon Village Trip

On Tuesday, class 4 visited Escot's Saxon Village. Everyone enjoyed dressing up as Anglo-Saxons and learning all about their lifestyle. This included woodwork, bread making and jewellery. We even got to bring back our very own Saxon brooch that we made ourselves at the forge. There was also lots of animals that we got to see on our way round, such as wolves, lynxes and owls. Even though it was very cold, everyone enjoyed the experience and would love to go again.

By Anna – year 6.



Pete's Dragons Charity

Pete's Dragons is an Exmouth based bereavement charity currently working with a family in our school. They are a local Devon based charity who do fantastic work. Please follow the link to find out more about them and how you can support. <http://www.petesdragons.org.uk/>

Homemade Seville Orange Marmalade is for sale at school (kindly made by Mrs Fitz). Suggested contribution £2 – all proceeds to Pete's Dragons. Hopefully there will be some lemon curd on sale soon too, watch this space - again all proceeds to Pete's Dragons. IF ANYONE HAS ANY SPARE EMPTY JARS, PLEASE BRING THEM IN.

Grizzly 2019

Entry is now open for the Grizfest junior races on Saturday 9 March. Last year Beer Primary had 24 pupils compete in the snow, in their Beer Blazer T-shirts and we'd love to try to get more this year! Some Puffins pupils also joined their siblings to run.

The races are:

- 2K Junior Cub (2.15pm) Primary school 8 and over
- 4K Junior Grizzly (2.45pm) Secondary school age
- 2K Fun Run (3.15pm) under 8s and all others.

Place awards for Junior Cub and Junior Grizzly. Mementoes for all entrants.

Entry forms are available from the leaflet rack outside the school office.



School Funding

- School funding remains in the spotlight with the national 'Worth Less?' campaign conducting a survey in conjunction with ITN to hopefully ensure good local and national coverage. Despite government publicity to the contrary, the autumn budget did not increase money into schools and they remain under funded in comparison to previous years.
- Recent analysis produced by the National Education Union shows 4,819 schools across the UK will see a cut in funding or no spending rise – resulting in an overall fall in their budget – for 2018/19
- Thankfully, we were able to balance our budget this year unlike many other schools in Devon and beyond.
- Although, we have buoyant numbers from Year 2 upwards, our Reception intake this year was lower than in previous years, which will mean our funding will decrease for the next academic year. However, initial projections for September 2019's intake look more positive.
- We will keep you informed of future years' budgets and continue to let you know (when appropriate) about things parents can do to help with the national 'Worth Less?' campaign as it is always good to have parental voices in support of what schools are telling MPs!

*Thank you for your continued support,
The Beer Staff Team*

Community Events & Notices

RNLI Table Top Sale – Saturday 26th January – 9.30am – 12.30pm – Mariners' Hall, Beer

(Doors open to sellers from 8am). Stall hire £6 per table or £10 for 2. To book a table or for more information, please call (01297) 23040 or email wac500@hotmail.co.uk Come along for bacon baps, teas, coffees, cakes, raffle and craft stalls.

Axe Vale Netball Club – For Year 6 Girls – 4.10 – 5.10pm on Tuesdays (term time) at LED Sports Centre, Axminster
Starts Tuesday 22nd January 2019. For more information and to reserve a place, please email: love2playnetball@gmail.com for an application form. A place will be secured when payment is made. £20 for 10 sessions. Facebook: Axe Vale Netball Club.

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February Family Workshops - Thelma Hulbert Gallery, Dowell St, Honiton - Tel: 01404 45006 info@thelmahulbert.com

- Comic Book Drawing Workshop – Saturday 2nd Feb, 11am – 12.30pm with SWAc artist Jed Falby. Create your very own comic book to take home. Booking essential as places are limited. £8 per participant, suitable for ages 7 and up.
- Big Messy Drawing! Saturday 2nd February – drop in anytime between 2pm and 3.30pm. The walls will be covered in paper so come and see what fun big expressive drawing can be! Donations welcome. Suitable for any age.
- Paint with Felt – Wednesday 20th February. Book onto one of four 45 minute sessions: 11am, 12noon, 1pm, 2pm with accomplished textile artist Gill Burbidge. Each slot will offer the opportunity to create a felted picture using finest coloured Merino and local hand dyed fleece, embellishing with silk and cotton fibres and threads. The effect is almost as though you are painting with the textiles. Suitable for all ages and abilities. £4 per participant – booking essential.

Children's Art Classes – East Devon Art Academy, Old Fore Street, Sidmouth, EX10 8LS (Opposite Art Shop)

Mondays and Thursdays 5.30 – 6.30pm. A fun and informative art group for young people, designed to aid confidence and artist development. All materials are provided. Cost £90 for 10 classes – can be paid in 2 instalments. For more information please contact: Hannah Twine. Tel: 07912 627071. Email: Hannah.twine@googlemail.com. www.hannahtwine.co.uk

DM Coaching – February Half Term Holiday Football Camps – Cloakham Lawn Sports & Social Club, Axminster

Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd February 2019: Drop off: 8.15 – 9.00am. Football Camp Timings: 9.00am – 3.30pm. Movie Club: 3.30 – 5.15pm.

Children 5-13 years old are welcome. Cost = £12 per day (football camp) or £15 per day (Football & Movie). 2 day special price: £25. If you are interested, please contact Dan Murnane on 07845 498057 / dmcoaching2010@gmail.com