



Beer C of E Primary School

Friday Flier - 23



Friday 10th March 2017

Executive Headteacher: Miss Rebecca Porter

Chair of Governors: Mrs Jean Smith

COMING UP	
Thurs 16 th & Fri 17 th March	Scholastic Book Fair
Monday 20 th March	Tempest Class Photos
Tuesday 21 st March	Rockley Information Talk - 3.30pm in class 4
Wednesday 22 nd March	Next Beer Blazer Meeting
Friday 24 th March	Comic Relief - Red Nose Day
Thursday 30 th March	Easter Service, St Michael's Church, 2.30pm
Sunday 7 th May	Beer Blazer

A message from Miss Porter:

Last week I had the opportunity to work in some of the classes across the Federation to allow staff to meet and I thoroughly enjoyed doing so. It has certainly been one of the highlights for me this half term and it was a privilege to be able to work with some fantastic learners.

The Grizzly takes place this weekend and I know we have staff and parents who are participating in both the cub and main run so I'd like to take this opportunity to wish them the best of luck; if you are watching the event and see them, please give them a big cheer. A reminder of tomorrow's children's race is on page 2 - if your child is participating, please come and join us for a photo outside Country Gifts at 1.50pm and let's see if we can again fill the start line with The Ark Federation runners.

Thank you to the parents that attended yesterday's parent forum with Mr Evans and myself. It was both helpful and interesting to get your views and feedback on the interim reports and proposed annual reports and as an SLT, myself and the Heads of School will be using the feedback to help shape what we do in future.

With best wishes for a lovely weekend,

Miss Porter

Thank You Certificates

Congratulations to the following children:

Class 1: **Grace Green** for choosing to do extra learning to show me she knows how to half an amount, **Gabriella Silva Shaw** for trying hard with letter formation, **Olly Paget** for improvement in the presentation of his handwriting and **Emerald Black** for super effort in Phonics.

Class 2: **Emily Parkinson** for great effort in lessons, **William Gribble** for an effort with his reading and **Patience Gough** for lovely artwork.

Class 3: **Myia Hiscox** for her confidence and systematic thinking when answering the year 4 Maths elicitation question on fractions and **Lana Partridge** for an excellent poem and good listening skills.

Class 4 - Miss Randall: **Clara Orlando** for focussing really well this week in both Maths and Literacy - she has worked particularly hard in Maths with her decimal numbers and **Daisy Somers** for consistently showing the school values and for working to the best of her ability at all times.

Class 4 - Mr Evans: **Leo Weatherall** for continued hard work and determination and showing great improvement in editing skills and **Millie Prior** for excellent progress in Maths.

Star Writer: Laila Hosking



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THE CHILDREN'S WEEK

Class 1: Following on from World Book Day, class 1 has started a new core text called 'The Princess and the Wizard' by Julia Donaldson. We have read the book and described the main characters and throughout this unit we will be making links with other traditional tales. In Maths, we have continued our work on halving by finding half of quantities. The Year 1 children have looked at patterns of 2, 5 and 10 and Reception children have worked on ordering numbers to 20. Looking at cold places has been the theme for Reception focusing on where they are in the world, what the weather is like and how animals and people survive there. Year 1 children have looked at transport around the world and have written about a journey they have made.

Class 2: After a very exciting day last Friday for World Book Day, class 2 have continued the 'Julia Donaldson' theme. In Literacy we have begun a study of another of her books, 'The Princess and the Wizard'. We have read the story together and role-played some of the characters; with some very wicked wizards! The children have written questions to ask the Princess in our 'hot-seating' session. In Maths we have looked at the language of division and worked practically to share things. For R.E. we talked about what Lent means to Christians and talked about turning over a new leaf for Lent. In Humanities we looked at journeys that we have undertaken and have begun to look at transport abroad.

Class 3: We've come to the end of our persuasive writing unit in Literacy and have written some fantastic letters to persuade a TV company to show our advert. We have now begun to look at a non-fiction book "Penguins" and have explored the contents and initial facts page. During our afternoon topic lessons, we have been looking at the story of Adam and Eve, and how/why they were tempted to take the forbidden fruit.

Class 4 - Miss Randall: In Literacy, the children are now at the innovate stage of the writing process. They have boxed up, "The Princess' Blankets" and have changed a couple of the details to plan their own traditional tale. They are now at the stage of writing this story. In Numeracy, the children have been working very hard this week learning about multiplying and dividing numbers by 10, 100 and 1000 (year 5) as well as rounding decimal numbers.

Class 4 - Mr Evans: Class 4 have been working hard to produce quality research projects around a dinosaur of their choice. They have thought about presentation skills and planning to ensure the end result is of a high standard. Year 6 have also continued with their persuasive campaigns and presented their work to the rest of the school who voted for which animal they wanted to save the most.

Grizzly 2017 – Junior Fun Race - Saturday 11th March

We have had several children from across the federation enter the junior grizzly and fun run races over the past few years and hope to have a strong representation again this year. The 'Pearl's a Stinger' Junior Grizzly and Fun Run will take place on Saturday 11th March. Both races will start on the Esplanade at Seaton and race details are as follows:

The fun Run is 2K, open to all ages and starts at 14.15 (adults can accompany young children).

The Junior Grizzly is 4K, for ages 11+ and starts at 14.45.

Finishers will receive a memento and the course is flat and mainly on tarmac with a small amount of shingle.

Entries can be submitted on the day at the Hook and Parrot, on Seaton Esplanade, from 10.45 - 13.45. All entries on the day will be £5.



School Funding

We know that funding is becoming more and more stretched for schools as although the amount per pupil has remained the same for the past few years, in real terms, this has been a cut for school budgets because funding has not kept up with the rate of inflation, therefore expenditure is increasing but income is not. The website www.schoolcuts.org.uk aims to raise awareness of the funding problems schools face. At the top, there are links to sign a petition about the possible future funding cuts; please do sign it!

Parent Forum – Interim Reports

Thank you for the feedback received.

We are pleased that the interim reports have been well received. We also discussed the accompanying parent consultations, some parents felt they did not also need the consultation, whilst others still liked having them. Other feedback included a desire to come in to see the work their child(ren) have completed.

If you have any feedback but were unable to attend yesterday's forum, please email the office as we use all feedback to help shape what we do in future. Thanks!

Reminder ... curriculum maps for each class can be found on the school website (About Us – Curriculum tab)

Scholastic Book Fair

Next week, the Scholastic book fair comes to school offering discounts on educational, fiction and non-fiction children's books and stationery. If seeing your child get excited about reading this World Book Day was a lovely experience, then please come along and see what we have to keep their enthusiasm going. The book fair will be open before school **from 8.30am and after school until 4.00pm on Thursday 16th and Friday 17th March**. The school earns books in return for running this event: the more books we sell, the more books the school receives - so please support us.

If you can spare some time during one or more of these sessions, to help run this event, please let the school office know.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Beer Staff Team

Community Events & Notices

Fun Casino Night - Saturday 18th March - 8.00 - 11.00pm

Polish your diamonds! Dress to impress (black tie preferred). Roulette and Blackjack. Tickets on sale from Osborne's Wine Bar, Fore Street, Beer, EX12 3JB - £10. All profit to local charity: Puffins at Beer Preschool.

Lambing Sunday - 19th March - 10am - 4pm at Bicton College

Equine displays, dog agility shows, meet the new-born lambs, tree top lift and ropes course, arts and crafts, floristry and plant sale, BBQ and refreshments. Adult £5, Child £3, Family (2 adults, 2 children) £15. Bicton College, East Budleigh, EX9 7BY. Tel: 0330 123 4782, email: customer.services@bicton.ac.uk website: www.bicton.ac.uk

EPIC - Sunday 19th March - 4.00 - 6.00pm at Kilmington Baptist Church

EPIC is a great event for children aged 7-11. It is run by several local churches and is being held this term at Kilmington Baptist Church on Sunday 19th March 4-6pm. There will be games, songs to sing with the live band, stories to discuss, things to make, and pizza and cake to eat. Cost £1.

Puffins Preschool AGM 2017

Come along on Monday 20th March at 7.30pm to vote in new committee members or perhaps become a committee member yourself.

Colyton Theatre Group - Performance Workshop

Run by Sara Perry. For ages 8 - 13. 3rd - 6th April, 10am - 12.30pm. £40. Reece Strawbridge Centre, Colyton. To book your place, please contact: Jackie Carr by 24th March 2017. j.carr328@btinternet.com or 01297 552252 or 07564 626630.