



Newsletter 16th March 2018



Our attendance target is 97%



**Up until this week
95%**

Dear Parents,

What a busy Science Week! This year our theme has been 'Healthy Eating'. The children have been learning about the science behind food contamination (Badgers) and even found out the best ways to shop to avoid spoiling your food (Hedgehogs). The children planned their **'Master Chef Banquet'** on Tuesday in teams and yesterday was a frenzy of chopping, mixing and preparation for the Team Meal. The judges; Steven Lamb



(River Cottage), Kate Handley (HALFF) and Olivia Miller (Millers) were very impressed with the standard of the dishes and the excitement and exuberance of the children. We were also joined by 8 students from Plymouth University who have been brilliant this week. All of the children and staff were involved and enjoyed sharing the food. A special **'thank you'** to **Millers Farmshop** who donated a large proportion of the food and to **Mr Smith** who organised the event.



Next week The Otters have their 'Skipping and Parachute Festival,' Hedgehogs have a 'Team Challenge' event and

Badger Class are walking to The King John's Oak with the Legacy to Landscape team on Friday. We are fortunate to be able to use our Sports Funding to support these events.

On Thursday we are looking forward to **Sarah's Spring Sing** all are welcome to attend 2:15pm in the Church.

In aid of **SPORTS'S RELIEF** we would like to invite the children to wear their sports clothes for a small donation on **Friday 23rd March**. The children will also be taking part in sporty activities during the day.

On **Monday 26th March at 2:30pm** we will be having our traditional **Egg Rolling** down the drive. The children will also be able to enter the Easter Competition; **best bonnet, or decorated egg**. The PTFA will be judging the hats and eggs in the morning and the winners will be announced at the end of the day. We hope to have a 'cracking' day!

Have a great weekend,

Clare Rinaldi



Spring Sing

Sarah Ryan and her Shute Singers are putting on a performance on Thursday 22nd March at 2.15pm in the Church, everyone welcome.

Lunch Money

Please remember to make payments at the beginning of the week for your child's school lunches, cash or cheques made payable to Devon County Council, £2.40 per meal. Check with Mrs Haysom if you are unsure if your child's account is up to date.

Barton Hall Residential

Reminder that final payments are due in by 20th April 2018.

Uniform Orders

The next orders will be placed Wednesday 18th April 5pm for delivery in April. School uniform is available from School Trends please visit www.stparent.co.uk

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES – BAD WEATHER

AS WE ARE IN WINTER, A REMINDER FOR EXISTING PARENTS AND NEW INFORMATION FOR OTHERS

All possible efforts will be made to keep the school open. However, we will close the school if the following reasons apply which impacts on our ability to ensure the safety of your children.

These are:

- We cannot ensure that a sufficient number of staff can get in safely to supervise the children adequately
- The school site is dangerous or there is a lack of amenities e.g. frozen pipes, no heating etc.
- The weather forecast is predicting further severe weather that day and we cannot guarantee getting the children home safely

Closing the school is taken in consultation with the Executive Headteacher and Chair of Governors and will be made at around 7.30am to allow as much time as possible for you to make alternative arrangements.

We alert parents that the school is closed by Parentmail by text and by posting a closure notice on our school website. This should be the first place to look if in any doubt. The school website address is www.shuteprimary.co.uk

Closure notice will be posted on the local radio stations (BBC Devon, Heart FM). A notice will also be placed on the Devon County Council Severe Weather Website.

Please do not let children walk to school unaccompanied if the weather is severe and there is a doubt the school will be open.

If the school is open but you judge it is too dangerous to transport your children to school then please stay at home. We do ask that you let the school know as early as possible so that we know that they will not be attending.

Should the weather deteriorate during the day and we have to close the school early then the staff will begin telephoning the contact numbers on file to alert you all to this effect. Therefore it is vital we have your up-to-date contact numbers and that mobile telephones are switched on. Thanks.

Illness and Absence

If your child is absent from school, you are requested to contact the school office before 9.15am. As required by our Safeguarding Policy if the administration team have not heard from you by early morning they will contact you to establish why your child is not in school. If we are unable to establish contact we may have to report this to the School Education Welfare Officer.

If your child needs to attend a medical appointment in school time, please complete the S2 form which can be found on the school website below or a hard copy is available from the entrance.

<http://www.shuteprimary.co.uk/parents/illness-and-absence/> or ask Mrs Haysom for one prior to the absence.

If a child is late, he or she must be signed in by a parent or carer, they must follow the instructions in the entrance and use the intercom to alert a member of staff they have arrived.

Persistent lateness has a negative impact on learning and we support families to ensure all children arrive in good time. A letter or email must be sent to school with the child on their return to school and for any planned medical appointments.

FAMILY SUPPORT WORKSHOPS

Tuesday 13 MARCH and 20 MARCH

Colyton Primary School from 9.00 to 10.30

Seaton Primary School from 1.30 to 3.00

(come to reception and you will be directed to the venue)

1. TANTRUMS!

This is a workshop to explore why children have tantrums and how to manage them and hopefully stop them happening. The aim is to help you with the an understanding of

What triggers a tantrum, why a child might use a tantrum and what a child's goals might be? We will also look at the best way to deal with a tantrum in a firm but controlled way. Looking at ways to manage tantrums in public places. Different kinds of tantrum

2. BUILDING YOUR CHILD'S CONFIDENCE and SELF ESTEEM.

This workshop is exploring why some children lack confidence and are unhappy. Looking at ways to boost their self-esteem and confidence. Dealing with irrational fears, sleep and bedtime issues. We will also touch on at what is just personality or is it becoming a mental health issues. Breaking the 'misery' Bad habits and looking at ways parents can inadvertently feed the problem.

PARENTS from **KILMINGTON** and **SHUTE** PRIMARY SCHOOL are welcome to join us at either venue, and if the time at the school your child attends is not suitable please feel free to come to the other school.

For more information please ring **GERRY FRY** Family support Advisor

School Diary

March		
Wed	21.3.18	Reception Parachute and Skipping Festival
Wed	21.3.18	Fox Class Swimming lesson .4
Thurs	22.3.18	Sarah Ryan – Spring Sing 2:15pm in the church all welcome
Fri	23.3.18	Yr3 &4 Federation Team Challenge
Fri	23.3.18	Badger Walk to King John's Oak
Fri	23.3.18	Sports Relief Day – Wear Sport Kit for a Donation
Mon	26.3.18	Issue Grow a £1 Egg Rolling and Easter Parade 2:30pm
Wed	28.3.18	Yr 3 & 4 Gymnastics Celebration
Wed	28.3.18	Fox Class Swimming lesson .5
Wed	28.3.18	Last Day of Term
Thur	29.3.18	Easter Holiday

April		
Mon	16.4.18	Non Pupil Day
Tues	17.4.18	First Day of Term
Fri	20.4.18	Reception Trill Farm Day 1
Wed	25.4.18	Reception Swimming Lesson .1
Fri	27.4.18	Reception Trill Farm Day 2
Fri	27.4.18	Grow a £1 Market Day

May		
Wed	2.5.18	Class Photograph
Wed	2.5.18	Reception Swimming Lesson .2
Thurs	3.5.18	Devon Library Van Visit
Fri	4.5.18	Maypole Display
Fri	4.5.18	Reception Trill Farm Day 3
Wed	9.5.18	Reception Swimming Lesson .3
Fri	11.5.18	Reception Trill Farm Day 4
Wed	16.5.18	Reception Swimming Lesson .3
Thur	17.5.18	Outdoor Classroom Day
Fri	18.5.18	Reception Trill Farm Day 5
Sat	19.5.18	Grounds Day
Mon	21.5.18	Walk to School Week more info to follow
Wed	23.5.15	Reception Swimming Lesson .3
Wed	23.5.18	Yr 6 PE Academy (selected Students)
Thur	24.5.18	Sports Day (a change from the Events calendar)
Fri	25.5.18	Non Pupil Day
Mon	28.5.18	Half term

June		
Mon	4.6.18	Non Pupil Day
Tue	5.6.18	Back to School
Fri	8.6.18	Celebration Assembly in the church - All Welcome
Tues	12.6.18	Musical Performance Axe Valley
Wed - Fri	13.6.18 – 15.6.18	Yr 5 & 6 Residential to Barton Hall
Tue	19.6.18	Move Make Motivate Part 3 (selected pupils)
Wed	20.6.18	Whole School Trip
Fri	22.6.18	Back Up Sports Day
Thurs	28.6.18	Devon Library Van Visit
Fri	29.6.18	International Mud Day

July		
Mon	2.7.18	Yr 6 Bikeability
Wed	4.7.18	Yr4 Play leader training
Thurs	5.7.18	Holt Seaton Wetlands Day
Fri	6.7.18	Celebration Assembly in the church - All Welcome
Wed	11.7.18	Yr5 & 6 Festival Axe Valley
Thurs	12.7.18	Shoot for the Stars
Fri	13.7.18	Yr5 & 6 Sports Day at Seaton Primary
Fri	20.7.18	Summer Fair
Thurs	26.7.18	Devon Library Van Visit
Fri	27.7.18	End of Summer Term
September		
Tues	5.9.18	Back to School



12th March 2018

10:00 - 14:00

Colyton Caterpillars

Reece Strawbridge Centre
Coly Road
Colyton
Devon EX24 6PU

01297 552567

Delegate price £30 or two for £40

Parents/Carers **FREE**

Tea & coffee included - **bring your own lunch**

Autism Awareness

What autism is, what it isn't and how we can help.

What will I learn?

After you have attended the workshop you will:

- have a better understanding of the needs of children with autism
- have some positive ideas and tools you can put into practice
- know how to work with strengths and the learning preferences in autism
- know how to adapt communication, environment, curriculum and support

Who is it for?

Teachers, SENCOs, assistants, early years staff, parents, carers

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Cancellation More than 28 days notice, no charge. Between 28 and 7 days notice

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