

# WHAT'S ON AT WIDEWELL

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Dear Parents and Carers

As we come to the end of a very busy first half term I would like to remind you to sign up for your children's parents evening appointment which is being held on 2nd and 3rd November. If you cannot log in please contact Mrs Edmonds or Miss Rockey in the school office who can do this for you. This is a great opportunity for you to come in and find out how your children are doing in their new classes and how you can help them this year. We look forward to seeing you all over the two evenings.

I am delighted to announce that the final total raised on Friday at our Red, White and Blue Day is £145.39. Thank you to everyone who made a donation and supported the children with this event.

Monday saw the launch of the Times Table Rock Stars, an online activity the Juniors can take part in this year. We already have a few 'Rock Legends' among us and there will be an opportunity for some children to attend a red carpet event in June to compete against other Plymouth schools. This is a fabulous way for you to encourage your children to learn their times tables and we hope you will support them at home. If you do not have access to a computer your child can sign up for homework club on a Friday or go to one of the lunchtime clubs being set up after half term.

I hope you all have a very safe and enjoyable half term and look forward to seeing you back at school on Monday 31st.

Kind regards,

*CL Payne*

| Cup winners         | 7.10.16          | 14.10.16      |
|---------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Friendship Trophy   | Holly Herbert    | Elesha Pinney |
| Courtesy Cup        | Piper-Lee Corber | Finley Wade   |
| Perseverance Trophy | Chloe Osborne    | William Evans |
| Class Cup           | Y3               | Y6            |
| House Cup           | Bovisand         | Bigbury       |

## Healthy Eating Poster Competition

Tesco are running a fantastic poster competition and the school have been invited to participate.

The children must design a poster with a theme of healthy eating and then the winner will win a £25 gift card for themselves, a £500 gift card for the school and have their poster put onto limited edition hessian bags. Mrs Gifford thinks this is a great prize and would love a child from our school to win.

Entries must be on the template provided with this newsletter or you can find paper copies in the racks near the office. Please hand your entries to Mrs Gifford by 11th November.



## Key Dates for 2016/2017

21 Oct 3.30pm End of Term 1  
31 Oct 8.45am Start of Term 2  
2 Nov Parents Evening  
3 Nov Parents Evening  
18 Nov Y2 Class assembly 2.30pm  
6 Dec Infant Nativity 10am  
7 Dec Infant Nativity 2pm  
8 Dec Christmas Lunch  
9 Dec Family Craft afternoon  
15 Dec Open afternoon 2.30pm  
16 Dec Christingle Service 10am  
16 Dec 1.15pm End of Term 2  
3 Jan Non Pupil Day  
4 Jan 8.45am Start of Term 3  
20 Jan Y5 Class assembly 2.30pm  
10 Feb 3.30pm End of Term 3  
20 Feb 8.45am Start of Term 4  
22 Feb Parents Evening  
23 Feb Parents Evening  
2 Mar World Book Day  
22 Mar Y3/4/5 Performance 2pm and 6pm  
24 Mar Open afternoon 2.30pm  
31 Mar 1.15pm End of Term 4  
18 Apr Non Pupil Day  
19 Apr 8.45am Start of Term 5  
28 Apr Y3 Class assembly 2.30pm  
19 May Foundation class assembly 2.30pm  
26 May 3.30pm End of Term 5  
5 Jun 8.45am Start of Term 6  
7 Jun Sports Day  
30 Jun Y4 Class assembly 2.30pm  
7 Jul Reports to parents  
14 Jul Open afternoon 2.30pm  
21 Jul 1.15pm End of Term 6  
25 Jul Non Pupil Day





## Year 2 and Year 5 Fire Service visit

Year 2 and Year 5 had a visit from the Fire Service who talked to the children about fire safety and what they should do in the event of a fire. The children found the activities very useful and the Year 2 children particularly enjoyed seeing the fire engine and using the fire hoses.



**Chloe Cox with her  
Cross Country medal—  
Well done**





Erin Roddis (y4), Amii Kearley (y4) and Evie Ralphs (y1) attended the semi final of the Poppy Bake Off last week. Whilst their cakes were being judged by the Lord Mayor, the children were lucky to receive a guided tour of her official residence in Elliot Terrace. The girls' cakes were all amazing and we are proud to announce that Evie and Erin got through to the final which will be held on 3rd November.



## Poppy Bake Off finalists



## Year 6 Parents

Secondary school admission applications need to be submitted by the 31st October to the local education authority. We would strongly advise that all three choices are completed as this does not affect the chances of being given your first choice but does mean you have input on the second and third choices. Applications can be done on line or on paper and returned to Windsor House. For further information look at the Plymouth city council, admissions website. If you need help applying please contact them directly or come into school to see Lorna.

## Free family learning day

We're holding a free Family Learning taster day during half term at our learning hub in Hyde Park House, Mutley Plain, PL4 6LF on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October** from 10:30am-3:30pm.

Come along to one of our free 2 hour workshops with your children (aged 5-17). We'll be running activities such as Kids & Adults First Aid, Wood Whittling, Flower Paintings, Bead craft and Christmas Crafts (it's never too early to start)! There will also be a **Free Crèche** for children aged 12 months to 5 years.

\*Please note: Session activities aren't suitable for under 5's, For more information or to reserve your place please phone our Customer Services team on 01752 660713

## Cross Country

The Year 5 and 6 children who competed in cross country this week did a brilliant job. The girls and boys teams came second out of the 5 schools which was amazing. A special mention to Chloe Cox who came 3rd out of 50 girls and Ethan Wright who came 6th for the boys.

## School Bank

From Tuesday 1st November the school bank will be changing to after school, it will be running from 3.30-4.00pm. If your children need to bring their savings into school for the day they should hand their money to the school office for safekeeping and not keep it in their school bags.



## Lost property

We have lots of lost property in both KS1 and KS2 - please come in and have a look if there are things that your child has lost. We try hard to return named items to individuals but it is very hard to return unnamed clothing to the correct owner.

## Cinderella

There will be a production of Cinderella for all serving personnel and families on Friday 9th December at 6pm in The Falklands Hall, CTCRM.

For 12 years and under, one adult per family, you will be able to have cast photo's and Santa will also be making an appearance. Entry £2 per child.

Bookings via the Amenities Office Ext 4456.

