

WHAT'S ON AT WIDEWELL

Widewell Primary Academy Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

A very big 'Well Done!' to all our Y6 children who have completed 3 English and 3 maths test this week. The children have looked after each other and tried their hardest to do their best. Many of them have also enjoyed a second breakfast at school each morning of the tests, just to keep them going!

I am delighted to be able to tell you about a fantastic opportunity for our choir who will be joining the African Children's Choir (ACC) on stage for 3 songs in their concert at Devonport High School for Boys on Wednesday 14th June. The ACC will then join us in school for the day on 15th June. Please find more information on the poster sent out with this newsletter and send in your ticket requests and money by Friday 26th May or contact the Rotary Club direct.

As the weather is starting to change, it is very important the children bring a named water bottle to school each day. They should also have a named hat which covers their necks as well as shades their faces. It would also be a very good idea for you to show your children how to apply sun cream to their arms, legs and faces for when the weather, hopefully, gets really warm.

Kind regards,



Cup winners	28.04.17	05.05.17
Friendship Trophy	Oliver Williams	Katy Hill
Courtesy Cup	Kyra Bradshaw	Piper-Lee Corber and Lucas Mitchell
Perseverance Trophy	Jack Wardle and Lexi Mason	Mia Brimacombe
Attendance Award	Year 4 Owl Class	Year 1 Sparrows and Year 6 Falcon Class
Class Cup	Year 5 Kestrel Class	Year 5 Kestrel Class
House Cup	Wembury	Wembury

Hungry Caterpillar News

In the club this week, the children planted out some more sunflowers and watered the plants around school. The beans that y1 planted a few weeks ago are established and going to be planted in the key hole garden. Last week the children made cheese straws and they were a huge success with staff and children alike! They are a great snack to make at home with your children. Here is the recipe if you want to try them: Ingredients:

A sheet of ready made puff pastry

1 large egg, beaten with 1 tbsp of water

30g of grated cheese - can use parmesan, hard cheese or cheddar

1 tsp paprika

1) Preheat the oven to 400°F. Cover two baking sheets with parchment paper and set aside.

2) On a lightly floured surface, unfold the puff pastry. Flour the side facing you and use a rolling pin to roll it to a 12-inch square. Brush the puff with egg mixture (you'll probably use less than half of what you've got, but that's fine).

3) Sprinkle the cheese and paprika evenly over the puff. Press the toppings gently but firmly into the puff to help them adhere.

4) Slice the puff into twenty-four 1/2-inch strips. Divide the strips between the prepared baking sheets, seasoned side up. Twist the strips twice, clockwise at the top and counter clockwise at the bottom, so that you've got one long spiral.

5) Put the baking sheets in the oven and cook until the twists have puffed and are golden brown, about 18 minutes.

6) Let cool and serve.

Key Dates for 2017

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

Term Dates for 2017 - 2018

6 Sept Start of Term 1

19 Oct End of Term 1

30 Oct Start of Term 2

19 Dec 1.15pm End of Term 2

3 Jan Start of Term 3

9 Feb End of Term 3

19 Feb Start of Term 4

30 Mar 1.15pm End of Term 4

17 Apr Start of Term 5

25 May End of Term 5

4 Jun Start of Term 6

20 Jul 1.15pm End of Term 6

Year 6 Battery Recycling



**Robins Class visit to
the Life Caravan**



Freeze Pop Friday

It's that time of year again and the WPTA will be selling freeze pops every Friday after school (unless it is raining).

Hair and the dreaded headlice!

Unfortunately we have had a number of outbreaks of headlice around the school. I would advise that all long hair is tied back every day, and must be tied back for all PE lessons.

Hair accessories should be plain and in keeping with the school uniform colours. Large, brightly coloured fashion hair accessories can be very distracting when children are working and are not suitable for school.

Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers

Please check for any vouchers you may still have at home, they can be handed into school up until the 30th June. Remember that every voucher counts towards brand new cooking and sports equipment and experiences.

Year 6 battery recycling

Over the Easter holidays Year 6 took part in a battery recycling project and are aware of why we need to recycle batteries and how to do it. James Evans was the lucky winner of a Duracell bunny!

Prader-Willi Syndrome fundraisers

Ruby Judson and Holly Gray used the half marathon to raise money for the Foundation for Prader-Willi Research and raised £455.00. A big thank you to everyone who sponsored them.

CanDo—Community Additional Needs Day Out

On Sunday 21st May at the YMCA Plymouth from 11am-3pm. Join local partners and services for people with additional needs for a fun day, for all ages, celebrating what we can do!
Free admission, live music, local stalls, games and sports, BBQ and more. For more information please call 01752 201918.

YMCA Holiday Club

YMCA Plymouth holiday club from 30th May—2nd June. Half term trips and activities for ages 8-16. Multi activity club from 9.30-3.30 only £12 with early and later sessions also available. Quay West Trip on Thursday 1st June only £25. Find out more at ymcaplymouth.org.uk/holiday-club or call 01752 201918.

30 hours free childcare

The Government is introducing new ways to help parents/carers with childcare costs. **One of the ways is by introducing free 30 hours of childcare to eligible families.** We have a duty to ensure there are enough affordable, quality childcare places across the city to support this initiative and in response we are asking for your views.

We have developed a quick online survey. The information will be used to improve childcare services for you and your families.

To find out more information and to take part in the survey please visit our new webpage called 'Don't miss out on free childcare' on Plymouth Online Directory (POD): http://www.plymouthonlinedirectory.com/kb5/plymouth/directory/landing.page?directorychannel=4_5

Smoking

Please wait until you are away from the school gates if you smoke.

Snacks

Any snacks brought into school for break times should consist of fruit or vegetables. Fruit can be brought from the kitchen for 20p a day.

WPTA—Paint Request

If anyone has any spare external paint, wood paint or brushes that could be used to paint the shed and picnic benches could they please drop it into the school office.

