



# WHAT'S ON AT WIDEWELL

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Dear Parents and Carers

We have a number of really exciting opportunities for our children again this term which I hope you will hear about as the weeks go by. Next week Y5 will be building an African Key-hole Garden in the school grounds and over the next few weeks some of our KS2 classes will be taking part in bush craft lessons in the conservation area with Outdoor Education students from UCT Marjon. The infant children are all taking part in PE lessons with Mr Hilling (a specialist PE consultant) as well as their teachers this term.

Our netball team looked very professional in their Widewell hoodies and kit at the Plymouth netball tournament on Tuesday. Unfortunately, they didn't get through to the area finals but played really well as a team and were a credit to the school.

As you may know we have created a new library in school, between the Y5 and Y6 classrooms, which means the children can be taken in there for stories and small group work without being disturbed by people using the corridor. The old library space is going to become a display space for children's art and design technology work. I hope we will be able to showcase some of the fabulous work that is going on around the school there soon.

I would also like to create a quiet area for children to sit around the picnic tables and would be grateful for any help you might be able to give making the tables more attractive for the children to use. As the weather improves it would be really helpful to have a few parents (grandparents / aunts / uncles!) mending, sanding and painting the tables, as far as possible, so we can get a few more years use out of them rather than have to find the money for new ones. If you are willing and able to give us a little bit of your time, please email me at the school email address and I will contact you to get some idea of what you are able to offer.

We would also like to have a larger bank of parent readers in school, please contact Lorna Trend, our PSA, if this is something you are interested in or if you can offer any other skills as we continue to improve things for the children here.

I look forward to hearing from you,

*CL Payne*

Cup winners	6.1.17	13.1.17
Friendship Trophy	Ami Kearley	Patrick Betts
Courtesy Cup	Dani Cleary	Y2 Kingfisher Class
Perseverance Trophy	Finlay Wade	Esme Clarke Tierney Doyle
Attendance Award	Y1 Sparrow Class (97.4%)	Y3 Nightingale Class Y6 Falcon Class (98.9%)
Class Cup	Y4 Owl Class	Foundation Wren Class Y6 Falcon Class
House Cup	Bovisand	Bovisand

## Key Dates for 2017

- 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**
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- 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**

In Hungry Caterpillar Club last week we made honey flapjack. If you want to have a go at home, the recipe is:

### Honey Flapjack

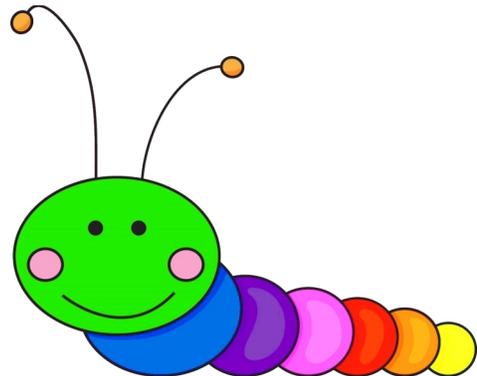
200g unsalted butter

200g sugar

200g honey

400g oats

50g nuts or dried fruits (optional)



1. Put the butter, sugar and honey in a saucepan and heat, stirring occasionally, until the butter has melted and the sugar has dissolved. 2. Add the oats and nuts or fruit, if using, and mix well.

3. Transfer the oat mixture to a greased 20cm x 30cm tin and spread to about 2cm ( $\frac{3}{4}$ in) thick. Smooth the surface with the back of a spoon.

4. Bake in a preheated oven at 180C/350F/Gas 4 for 15-20 minutes, until lightly golden around the edges, but still slightly soft in the middle.

5. Let cool in the tin, then turn out and cut into squares.



This week all children have brought home a change4life pack which asks 'How food smart are you?'. This is a great resource and raises awareness of the amount of sugar, salt and fat in the food we eat. There is also an app which accompanies it and would be good to look at. In the leaflet are food swap ideas and some recipes for carrot and courgette muffins and banana and apricot bagels- yummy!

If anyone would like to help with the school garden, please speak to Mrs Gifford.



# BOOK & BAKE SALE

**When:** 3.30pm Thursday 2nd February

**Where:** School Hall

**Why:** To raise money for our new library. We would like some new comfy cushions, beanbags and rugs.

## **How to take part:**

Purchase a ticket for £1. Bring a bag and fill it with up to 10 pre-loved books of your choice. We have books for all ages including adults. Visit our bake sale to purchase some cakes, cookies and a cuppa. Tickets can be purchased from class teachers or the office. They can be bought on the day but you may be at the back of a long queue and the best books might go!

Donations, in advance, of books, cakes or cookies are appreciated.

### **Breakfast and After School Provision**

Did you know we offer onsite breakfast and afterschool provision?

Early Birds Breakfast Club (7:30—8:45)

Sunrise Club (8:00—8:45)

Sunset Club (3:30—5:30)

Booking forms are available from reception.

### **Classic Health and Fitness adult classes at Widewell Primary**

#### **Academy**

#### **Monday**

6.30-7.15pm Kettlercise Combat-MX

7.15-8.00pm KSFL – 12 week New Year Transformation Programme  
(no exercise included)

8.15-9.00pm The BrainFit Workout

#### **Wednesday**

6.30-7.15pm Kettlercise

7.30-8.15pm The BrainFit Workout

8.15-9.00pm KSFL – 12 week New Year Transformation Programme  
(no exercise included)

For more information or to book a class visit

<http://weightlossplymouth.co.uk>

### **PE Kit**

There are a few children who seem to be relying on the spare kits in school for their PE lessons rather than bringing their own. All children should have their kit in school for the week and take it home for washing at the weekend. We accept that there may be an odd occasion when things are forgotten but this should be the exception and not a regular occurrence. Please ensure your child has their kit and that it is all clearly named so that lost items can be returned. School PE T-shirts or plain royal blue T-shirts should be worn for PE lessons, not shirts in other colours or football shirts. All uniform can be ordered through the school office or bought at the uniform shop in town.

If your child persistently forgets their kit a note will be sent home and we would appreciate your support in ensuring it is remembered for subsequent lessons.

### **Hair and the dreaded headlice!**

Unfortunately we have had a number of outbreaks of headlice around the school already this term. 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.

### **Dinner Money Reminder**

Just a reminder that dinner money should be paid for in advance, preferable through Parentpay. If you require log in details please come to the school office.

