

WHAT'S ON AT WIDEWELL

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Thursday 2nd February 2017

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Dear Parents and Carers

Can I please remind parents that if children are riding their bikes to school they **MUST** wear a helmet. If they do not wear a helmet they may not bring their bikes into school. This is a basic safety requirement which was stated last year when the WPTA first bought the bike rack. It is also a requirement that the children do not ride their bikes around the school grounds but get off at the school gates and push their bikes to the rack. This applies to all children on the infant and junior playgrounds as we have had some near miss accidents in the mornings over the past few weeks.

I am delighted to let you know that we have been successful in a bid to obtain some money for a trim trail for KS2 (which we would like the children to help design); two junior field guns; an outdoor seating area; and some craft materials (which we are hoping will include a 3D printer to bring some of the children's technology work to life!). We will be working with local businesses and crafts people to ensure we use this funding to create something really special for the children. We will also be working closely with Devonport Field Gun Association to set up a Field Fun Club both here and across the Horizon Multi-Academy Trust and I look forward to cheering the children on in future competitions!

Kind regards

CL Pyne

Cup winners	20.1.17	27.1.17
Friendship Trophy	Charlotte Cordy	Gabi Kirkham Niyah Brown
Courtesy Cup	James Snopek	Caitlyn Hardy Joe Fortune
Perseverance Trophy	Abigail Turner Robyn Williams	James Evans Cameron Doyle-Bird
Attendance Award	Nightingale Class (Y3)	Kestrel Class (Y5)
Class Cup	Kestrel Class (Y5)	Kestrel Class (Y5)
House Cup	Bigbury	Wembury

Hungry Caterpillar News

In the club this week we were busy making cranberry and coconut flapjack ready for the Book and Bake sale. It was delicious and completely sugar free. If you would like the recipe, please ask Mrs Gifford or Mrs Pearce.

The new school dinner menu is being written so if any parents or children have any suggestions, please let teachers or staff know. Once the new menu is ready it will be put on the website and paper copies will be available from the office. It would be great if you could talk through the new menu options with your child so they are aware of all the choices available and understand what the meals are. If you are interested and would like to be a part of all things food in school, I am always very keen to have more parents on the Food Council. This is a real opportunity for your voices to be heard about school dinners and help set up a community garden in school.

To further promote healthy eating in school, we are running a competition to design your own Healthy Superhero. The best designs will be displayed in the Hall and the overall winner will receive a healthy prize. Your child's imagination can run wild, whether it is a superhero who is fuelled by super healthy foods - much like ourselves! - or a pea that saves the day. Please can all entries be handed to Mrs Gifford by Tuesday 21st February.

Key Dates for 2017

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



**Foundation Class exploring
the woods and Chinese New
Year Celebrations**





MKC Heroes

The BrainFit Workout

30 Minutes of mindful movement and breathing followed by a 15 minute guided relaxation section. We are recognising that super hard core intense workouts are not the only way to go to relieve stress, lower cortisol and feel happy. Adopting a mindful approach to group exercise, coupled with a guided relaxation, is so refreshing, revitalising and invigorating...

Classes take place at Widewell Primary School

Monday 8.15pm

Wednesday 7.30pm.

The Ark Community Project (Based at 3 Tiverton Close)

Would you like to join us for our first training workshop 'Maths Uncovered'?

Date: Thursday 9th March, 16th March & 23rd March in the Community House on Thursdays 1pm to 3pm.

This basics Maths course is designed to help you understand what is being taught at Primary School level, so you can help your children with their homework and to help you to gain confidence in basic Maths. This is a free course, we just ask for a donation towards refreshments. There is a creche available for £1 (please book a place). If you are interested please contact Jenn Collings or Zoe Lavers on 07467 959365 or email jenn.arkcommunityproject@hotmail.co.uk or leave a message on our facebook page The Ark Community Project. Other workshops planned for this year are:- Community Crafts/Cooking/Gardening, ICT - Computer Skills, Literacy with Story Sack making.

'Story Book Waves'

If you have a RN & RM family member who is on deployment, going on deployment or away weekly do you fancy recording a story for your little one to listen to whilst you are away. We have booked Aggies to come in on Wednesday 1st March from 1pm to 3pm (20 min slots available). They record you reading a story to your child which is then played to them when you are away so they hear your voice and enjoy a story read by their parent. A medal and a free book is given to the child.

For more information or to book a slot please call Jenn Collings on 07467 959365 or email her on jenn.arkcommunityproject@hotmail.co.uk.

Advance Warning for World Book Day

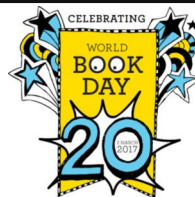
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Once again we will be dressing up for World Book Day. Everyone is invited to attend school wearing their favourite book character costume. How many Harry Potters will we have? Will we be able to find Wally? Horrid Henry had better behave! All children will be given a £1 book token. This can be used at our school book fair which arrives on Thursday 9th March. The vouchers can also be exchanged for a £1 book in participating book shops. Information about this year's book competitions will be given next week.

Book and Bake Sale

Please remember the Book and Bake Sale in the hall at the end of today. Purchase a £1 ticket and claim up to 10 nearly new or pre-loved books. The cake sale will also be in the hall. Prices start at 20p.

Can we say a huge thank you for all the lovely donations of both books and cakes.



Chinese New Year

As part of our Chinese new year celebrations we will be having a special Chinese lunch in school on Tuesday 7th February.

Bike Helmets

If your child is cycling to school, please ensure they have a bike helmet.

