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Newsletter - May 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Half term already! School life continues to be very busy with many and varied opportunities to learn.

In May

- Year 4 have completed swimming at Newton Abbot Leisure Centre swimming pool.
- Year 6 and 5 have enjoyed cooking with the kitchen manager - Mrs Ellard
- Neighbourhood Beat Officer - Holly Lynch -held E safety workshops for all the classes
- Neighbourhood Beat Officer - Holly Lynch - supported Road Traffic surveys in the village
- Year 4 worked with the archaeologist finding out about the local archaeological dig
- Year 3 have completed "Bowled over by Number".
- Year 4 invited their grandparents to lunch.
- Year 6, 5, 4 and 3 held a sporting activities day at Ipplepen Cricket Club
- Year Foundation, Chestnut class went to Berry Castle

Maths Workshop

It was lovely to see so many of you at the maths workshop earlier this week, we hope you found the event useful. We are sending home today information about the strategies used throughout the school, in the four operations; addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. In addition to this information please find the attached letter about mastery and the hints on "doing" maths at home.

Sun Safety

As we now move into the summer please can you ensure that the children have a sun hat and come to school wearing sun screen. However, as the weather is unpredictable can they also bring a coat. Please can you ensure that the children have a bottle of water in school to ensure that they remain well hydrated during the day.

The Local Community

In the first 3 weeks of June, as part of the archaeological dig here in Ipplepen, the children will be having their work exhibited in an art exhibition at the local Hub. This work is part of a Roman exhibition linked to the dig. On Wednesday 14th June Years 3, 4 and 5 will have the opportunity to look at this exhibit and also go to the dig, further information will be coming soon.

Governor "Drop in"

Paul Sampson, Natasha Johns and Pauline Morley, representatives of the USF Governing body, will be having a "drop-in" from 4.00- 5.00pm in the school hall on Wednesday 19th July. They look forward to meeting you and talking to you about the school.

Have a good half term, enjoy the beautiful sunshine and we look forward to seeing you back on the first day of school on **Tuesday, 6th June**

If you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Amanda Lacey
Head of School

Dates for the term		Class Assemblies (Usually Fridays but subject to change)	
June			
5 th	SCHOOL CLOSED		
6 th	First day back after half term Year 5 -Residential Year 6 - Swimming @ Newton Abbot Meeting re Co-operative Trust		
7 th	Year 4 -Residential		
8 th	Year 4 and 5 return from residentials		
9 th	Year 4 - Olympic Day @ Newton Abbot College	9 th June	Year 3 Cherry Class
13 th	Year 6 - Swimming @ Newton Abbot		
16 th	Year 5 Sporting Spectacular @ Coombeshead		
19 th	New Foundation Transition		
20 th	Sports Day		
21 st	KS2 Athletics festival @ St Mary's Cultural champion - Sandhya		
22 nd	Year F to Goodrington		
23 rd		23 rd June	Year 5 Acacia Class
26 th	New Foundation Transition Reverend Peter Ashman - taking assembly		
27 th	Year 3 and 4 trip to Bellever		

	Year 6 - Swimming @ Newton Abbot		
28 th	KS1 Multi skills Festival @ St. Mary's Foundation Stage to visit Plymouth Aquarium		
29 th	Reserved Sports Day		
30 th		30 th June	Year F Chestnut Class
July			
3 rd	New Foundation Transition		
4 th	Year 6 - Swimming @ Newton Abbot Year 4 and 5 to Coombeshead for production of High School Musical		
5 th	Coombeshead / Newton Abbot College Induction Day		
6 th	Coombeshead / Newton Abbot College Induction Day Year 3 Grandparents lunch		
7 th	Year 2 Camp	7 th July	Year 2 Rowan Class
8 th	PTA Summer Fair		
10 th	New Foundation Transition		
11 th	Year 6 - Swimming @ Newton Abbot Year 5 to Newton Abbot College to watch "Footloose"		
12 th	Year 3 - Residential		
14 th	Year 6 - Residential	14 th July	Year 4 Willow Class
17 th	Parents Evening		
18 th	Year 6 - Swimming @ Newton Abbot		
19 th	Parents Evening Governor drop in		
25 th	Last Day of Summer Term	25 th July	Year 6 Sycamore Class Leavers 9.15 @ Ipplepen Primary School