

Ipplepen Primary School

July 2020 Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

As we begin a new month it has been lovely to welcome our families back to school and again I would like to thank everyone for their continued support in these very challenging and difficult times.

Working with the Community

The work with the "Silver Stories" charity has been a huge success. The children read a story to the silver listeners. The feedback which has been received has been very positive. Both the children and the silver listeners have thoroughly enjoyed this experience.

A huge well done to all the children who were involved with this project, because most of the children were extremely nervous, but worked hard to find an appropriate story and read with super expression.

Links with the Community

We have worked with lots of the community during this year. The school continues to work closely with the local and wider community. This year we have:-

Worked with both St Andrews and the Methodist Churches

Served at the Community Lunch

Worked with the local History Society

Visited The Grange Residential Home

Spanish at The Grange Residential Home

Memory Café

Paraded at the Lantern Procession

Reading to the children at Saplings

Mystery Readers

Wider Community

Exeter Chorister Outreach Programme

Worked with local secondary schools on various projects

Australian Day

M & M Production

Archaeological Dig with Exeter University

Totnes Library

Tomas Williams - Parliament Representative

Buckfast Abbey

West End Theatre

Charities

Emergency/Safety Day/Police/First Aid

HITS (Homeless in Devon)

Poppy Appeal

Children in Need

Trees for Australian Fire

Staffing

Next year the staff teaching structure will be as follows:

Year F	Miss Sophie Coughlin
Year 1	Mrs Kate Holden
Year 2	Miss Hannah West
Year 3	Miss Abbie Boyne (Monday and Tuesday) Mrs Amanda Clarke (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday)
Year 4	Mrs Lucy Harding
Year 5	Mr Jack Tolley (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) Miss Abbie Boyne (Thursday and Friday)
Year 6	Mrs Liz Hancox (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) Ms Sarah Foster (Thursday and Friday)

At present I am unable to confirm the Learning Support Assistant timetables, as I am waiting guidance from the DfE about the opening of schools in September.

Transition

We are all looking to ensure that the transition into the next year is smooth. Therefore we will be doing the following:-

In July:- The new class teacher will invite the new class to a zoom meeting for questions and answers.

The new class teacher will phone and introduce themselves to parents and children

In September:- **Monday 7th September** - the children will go into their new classroom and will be welcomed and spend the day with their old class teacher. The new teacher will come in and visit them and say hello.

Tuesday 8th September - The children will be in their new classroom with their new teacher.

Further information will follow (by the end of July)

Kind regards

Amanda Lacey (Head of School)