



Thorverton C of E Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

From Mr Jolliffe

At the end of a very busy year I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has contributed to the success of the Exe Valley Federation over the last 12 months. So many parents have helped with sporting and other events, supported learning in the classroom and fund raised for the three PTAs and I am very grateful to everyone who has given their time and energy this year. A huge thank you, too, to our governors, who work incredibly hard behind the scenes to support the strategic development of the school. Recently, Mrs Kim Knox and Mrs Ann Varker have stood down as governors after many years of service and, again, I would like to thank them for everything they have done to support the Exe Valley Federation during their time in this role. Next year will be full of new challenges as we work more closely with Brampford Speke School as part of the Federation. This is an exciting opportunity to share expertise and learning and for the children there to join in with Friday sports mornings and residential visits. The EFA have recently told us that the new building at Newton St Cyres is due to start in August, which is great news and will also bring new challenges and opportunities. But all that is in the future and for now I hope you and your family have a great summer holiday and enjoy some time together... and some sunshine!

From Mrs Parkes

Trip to Crealy

We all had a great day at Crealy. The sun shone and the children made the most of all the rides and activities on offer. Thank you to everyone who helped make it possible. Olivia in Class 3 said, "My favourite ride was the log flume because it was fun. I also really enjoyed the boat blasters – my summer dress got soaked!"



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Cricket Tournament at Sandford

We were last-minute entries into the Crediton cricket tournament held at Sandford last Friday. Our team played exceptionally well and walked off with the first place plate, as they were winners in their group. Well done all of you, this was a fantastic win! Thanks must go to Tammi and her team who train the children and for helping at this tournament.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who transport children to all of these events. Without your help we wouldn't be able to take part in many of them.

Class 3 Disco

Last Friday evening Class 3 held their first disco for all the children in Key Stage 2. It was a 'wild one'. Everyone had a fantastic time and the class raised almost £100 for their class fund. So, well done Class 3 and Mr Martin for the great music; and thank you to Anna and Stuart Peters, who provided all the disco lights and equipment.



Year 6 Trip and Barbecue

The children in Year 6 had a wonderful afternoon on Monday at iBounce and Clip 'n' Climb in Exeter. Thank you, Tammi and Julie, for providing the transport and support. The children and families ended their celebratory day with a lovely barbecue at the Vukusics' garden. Again, I would like to thank Tammi and Pete for providing their garden for this event.

Sports Day



Sports Day on Wednesday was a great success! Children, staff and families all thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The final scores were very close: Silver came away as winners, closely followed by Dinneford. Well done everybody!

PTFA End-of-term Barbecue, Monday, 24th July 2017

We have postponed the traditional PTFA end-of-term barbecue on the school field from today until Monday. It will take place directly after school, from 3.30pm. The PTFA will be selling burgers and hotdogs for everybody and squash for the children. Please bring your own drinks, blankets and chairs. Everybody very welcome! We hope the rain will have stopped by then.



Thank-you Tea for Volunteers, Tuesday, 25th July 2017, 2.30pm

We have invited people who have shared their skills and time with the school over the past year to a thank-you tea party on Tuesday afternoon. Each class and Singing Club will be performing a song for the volunteers.

Leavers' Service, Wednesday, 26th July 2017, 2.30pm

The children in Year 6 will be leading a leavers' service in the church on Wednesday afternoon. All families are welcome to come along.

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Collective Worship Dates

Wednesday, 26th July, 2.30pm Leavers' service in church

Diary Dates

Monday, 24 th July, 3.30pm	PTFA Barbecue
Wednesday, 26 th July	Last day of summer term
Tuesday, 5 th September	First day of autumn term (Monday, 4 th September is a non-pupil day)
Mon, 23 rd Oct – Weds, 1 st Nov	Half-term holiday (Mon & Tues, 30 th & 31 st Oct are non-pupil days)
Friday, 15 th December	Last day of autumn term

We are nearly there! Just three more days before we can all relax in the sun (well, hopefully!). I would just like to thank all of the staff, parents and children for such a successful year. All your hard work really does pay off. Enjoy the break with family and friends and we will see you back in school on Tuesday, 5th September.

With best wishes,

Sarah Parkes

Head of School

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