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We hope you all have a wonderful Easter break. We look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 15th April.



Dear Parents & Carers,

Assemblies

On Monday this week, Rev Gareth led an Easter assembly about the Easter week. We found out why and how Christians celebrate Easter. In today's assembly, we said an emotional goodbye to Mrs Mac and Mrs Warburton. We wish them every success in their future endeavours.



Phonics

On Wednesday this week Mrs Ridge, together with a professional from *Read, Write Inc* spent the day reviewing our phonics teaching, looking at progress and undertaking assessments. They were very impressed with the progress made. Early morning interventions will continue next term. You should have received notification if your child is required to attend.

Next Term

Next term is always a very busy one, as year two and six work towards their end of key stage assessments. If you have any questions about this, please do ask your child's teacher. There are lots of exciting events happening too so please keep an eye on the calendar.

Clubs

We are very proud of the extra-curricular provision being offered at Highweek including the numerous sporting and music opportunities. Please do sign up your child if they haven't yet attended any clubs.

Charity events

Please have a look further on in this newsletter at the money the school has raised for charity this term. A big thank you to those who helped to organise these events, as well as to all of you for supporting where you can.

School Improvement

This half term, teachers have focused on developing writing and gaining accurate assessments across the curriculum.

Next term, our focus will be:

- . reviewing our behaviour systems and the impact of our Relational Behaviour policy,
- . continued focus on high quality teaching and learning
- . developing our outdoor provision.
- . The school library

Carpark and entrances

We are currently in the process of reviewing our entrance and exit policy for our different year groups. If you have any views on the matter, please email at: admin@highweekprimary.co.uk

Worried about a child over Easter? If you are concerned about a child or young person in Devon and want to speak to someone contact our Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) on **0345 155 1071** or email <u>mashsecure@devon.gov.uk</u> and give as much information as you can. In an emergency, dial 999.

Finally, we hope you all have a fantastic Easter break and look forward to seeing you all next term.

Ms Claire Redwood

APRIL

Monday 15th - School re-opens at 8:50am. Wednesday 17th - Year 3/4 swimming. Friday 19th - Non-Uniform in aid of HITS Foodbank. Monday 22nd - Singing club performing at the Doneraile Care Home. Wednesday 24th - Year 3/4 swimming. MAY Wednesday 1st - Year 3/4 swimming. Wednesday 8th - Year 3/4 swimming. Monday 13th - KS2 SATs week. Wednesday 15th - Year 3/4 swimming. Wednesday 22nd - Year 3/4 swimming. **Friday 24th** - School closes for the May half term break. JUNE **Monday 3rd** - School re-opens after the half term break. Wednesday 5th - Year 3/4 swimming. Wednesday 12th - Year 3/4 swimming. Monday 17th - Friday 21st - Scholastic Book Fair. Wednesday 19th - Year 3/4 swimming. Friday 21st - Sports Day (Weather permitting) Wednesday 26th - Year 3/4 swimming. Friday 28th - Reserved Sports Day.



Well done to our Friday Flyers. Our Friday Flyers promote our work around developing Growth Mindset and a can do attitude. Find lessons and inspiration in the Theme success of others Weekending 22nd March Date **Cooper Paton Riley Daniels** Bovey Dart Isabella Nita **Oakley Maghiareh** Matilda Cameron-Davies Exe **Ophelia Parker** Leo Steer **Etta Allen** Mardle Ignas Silevicius Melissa Cooper Plym Isla Steer Jonas Silevicius Tamar Eleanor Hardy Ryana Douglas Tavy Ella Druce Rebecca O'Connor **Teign** Phoebe Wadham Torridge Lily Stickley Well done to our

Accelerated Readers



Parents Evening

Thank you to all of our Parents & Carers who attended last weeks Parents Evening. If you were unable to attend please speak to your child's class teacher and an alternative time and date can be made.



Letters for the after school clubs were sent out his week. Please ensure that you register your child to attend by no later than Friday12th April 2024.

Please email: <u>nmorlidge@highweekprimary.co.uk</u> to request a place.

We will be finalising the clubs on the first week back after the Easter break.

All clubs will commence on Monday 22nd April and run for 5 weeks. (until the May half term)

NEW MENUS





You are invited...

to Premier Education's extracurricular activities!



FUNDRAISING

This term we have been very busy with fundraising.

The Bunny Run has raised £703.60 for Cancer Research so far. Cake & Bake Sale raised £96.00 for Young Lives Vs Cancer Red Nose Day £98.00. Loombands raised £31.00 for Rowcroft.

Thank you to everyone who continues to support our events.



Here's what's on near you... Highweek Primary School Afterschool Club

Friday's: Football (Y3 & 4) (Y5 & 6)

Cost: £22.50 for 5 sessions (£4.50 per session) Time: 15:30 - 16:30 Age: from 7 - 11 year olds Dates: Friday 26th April - Friday 24nd May

To discover the activities available and to book today, visit **premier-education.com**

Ways to Wellbeing

A space for how to stay mentally and physically healthy This week let's talk about...

Routines during the school holidays

When the children are not in school, it is nice to take a relaxed approach and for our days to feel less busy. However, keeping a routine and planning ahead has many benefits to support behaviour and levels of anxiety.

Here are some tips to keep a relaxed routine over school holidays:

- Set an alarm (not too early!)
- Have set meal times
- . Keep bedtime routines the same where possible
- . Have your usual behaviour expectations
- Plan in down time to relax
- Set a daily spending budget if needed



How are you going to keep a routine over the Easter break?

Also, remember your 5 ways to wellbeing: Five ways to wellbeing - Mind

Class	W/C 11th Mar	W/C 18th Mar
Taw	86%	94.6%
Mole	90.6%	95.3%
Mardle	91.7%	91.4%
Bovey	93.3%	90.6%
Tavy	94.4%	98.9%
Plym	97.1%	95.4%
Exe	99.3%	90%
Dart	87.9%	87.9%
Tamar	94.1%	90%
Torridge	98.6%	90.7%
Teign	95.7%	92.9%

ATTENDANCE

Exe class had 99.3% attendance for the period of 11th - 15th March 2024.

Tavy class had 98.9% attendance for the period of 18th - 22nd March 2024.

Remember our whole school attendance target for the year we are working towards is 96.2%.



It is essential for children to attend as much school as possible if they are to get the most from their education and achieve their full potential.

Laying the foundations of lifelong learning



l'm Tia Bailey, Supervisor - Mental Health Support Team