



# Newsletter (Autumn No.12)

1<sup>st</sup> December 2017



Dates for your diary;

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Lantern parade

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Class Two Sharing Assembly 9.15am

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Open morning

13<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity 1.30pm and 5.30pm performances

15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper and Christmas lunch day

## PTFA CHRISTMAS FAYRE

A huge thank you to all the members of the PTFA for organising such a wonderful Christmas Fayre. It was lovely to see so many familiar faces enjoying themselves and getting into the festive spirit. The grand total raised was £857.65 for PTFA funds and a further £146.08 raised by the class stalls.

### Multi-skills

On Tuesday morning the Year 3 and Year 4 children went to Tiverton High School to take part in a multi-skills event. They enjoyed all the challenges and demonstrated great teamwork! Indeed Miss Budden received many comments about how well behaved the children were and how they mixed in well with other children from other Tiverton schools. Thank you to Mrs Heywood for giving up her time to go with the children to this event.



### PTFA News – Christmas Fayre

Well done, we raised £857.65 for PTFA and £146.08 in the class stalls. Thank you very much to everybody who helped and contributed. Our next meeting has been set for Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30pm, at school. We will be discussing how to spend our money, hope to see you there.

### Staff news

We sent Miss Wotton on her maternity leave on Tuesday of this week. She would like to thank all the parents in Class 3 for their kind gifts and also thank them all for their contributions to a group gift that was organised by Mrs Mogford. We will keep you updated about any baby news that we receive!

### ICT safeguarding

Thank you to those parents who this week brought to our attention a serious issue regarding some of our ICT equipment at school. We would like to report back that the school treated this very seriously and responded rapidly ensuring that all the offending equipment was removed from site to be cleared and security settings adjusted as quickly as possible. In addition, other ICT equipment has been shut down until it has been thoroughly checked. Mrs Crook has spoken to the ICT technicians at the High School and this issue has taken priority to ensure that all security measures are in place. In addition to this action we will be having an Internet safety assembly before the end of term and we are in the process of arranging an external provider to come into school and speak to the children about it as well.

### Lost Property

A mobile phone was found on the common after the firework display. If anybody has lost a phone please contact Rackenford shop.

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Last week's award winners –

Team house point champions – Dart

Class house point champions – C 3

House point champions –Josh

Reading Raffle winners – Gideon, Tyla & William

Learning Leaves –  
Reception – Lottie  
Year 1 – Toby  
Year 2 & 3 – Ted & William  
Year 4 – Emily  
Year 5 – Lily  
Year 6 – Joe

Bucket Fillers – Rebecca

### Nativity

Please make sure you have booked the nativity dates in your diaries – Class 3 have completed writing it so now the rehearsals can begin!

### CLASS TWO SHARING ASSEMBLY

Just a reminder that the children in Class two will be sharing some of their learning over the last term during our weekly collective worship in the church on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 9.15am.** They would be delighted to share it with as many of you as possible!

### Parent Forum update

The next parent forum will take place straight after school on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December.** We will be discussing progress since the last parent forum and also listen to your views and ideas about ways that we can continue to move the school forward. In addition it will be an opportunity for you to meet Mrs Maude if you have not already done so. The Art club will still take place and we will provide a film to entertain your children so that you can attend the parent forum. There will also be refreshments available courtesy of the PTFA. If you are unable to attend please feel free to speak or write (via [admin@rackenford-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@rackenford-primary.devon.sch.uk)) to Mrs Maude or Mrs Drake about anything you would like to bring up / offer ideas about / have positive feedback about the school.

### Lantern Parade

Please could all children that are taking part in the parade arrive at West Exe South Car Park no later than 5.15pm. Mrs Drake will be there but please remember children in the parade remain the responsibility of their parents and guardians who are asked to walk with them.

### The week ahead

<b>Mon</b>	Mrs Drake out Mrs Hagley teaching Class 1 Class 3 last swimming lesson Mr Webster football club
<b>Tues</b>	Singing Club at Lunchtime
<b>Weds</b>	Mrs Maude on site
<b>Thurs</b>	Mrs Drake out Mr Williams lunchtime club After school Key Stage One Multi-skills club
<b>Fri</b>	Mrs Maude on site Class One cycling – week 4



Would parents please be aware of the 48hour rule when their children have been sick. Please do not bring your child to pre-school for 48 hours after sickness.

Little Angels, 3 and 4 year olds have thoroughly enjoyed their bikeability sessions.

### Safe Driving

A number of parents and neighbours have voiced concerns about dangerously fast driving within the village. Please take extra care within the village.  
Thank you.

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