



# Newsletter (Autumn No.19)

2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018



Dates for your diary;

6<sup>th</sup> February – Open Morning and Internet Safety Day

7<sup>th</sup> February – Collective Worship

8<sup>th</sup> February – Family Lunch Year 6

20<sup>th</sup> Feb – Celebrating Chinese New Year & special Menu

21<sup>st</sup> February Whole school Zoo trip

Week commencing 26<sup>th</sup> February – Bikeability

1<sup>st</sup> March – World Book Day

5<sup>th</sup> May – Exmoor Challenge

## OPEN MORNINGS

All welcome to our new open mornings every Tuesday. Our daily mile is at 9.15am so why not join us for the mile too.

## Multiskills Event

Miss Budden, Mrs Lewry and Mrs Taylor took years 1 and 2 to a Multi skills event at Tiverton High this week. Children were praised for their great behaviour, had a fabulous time with lots of different sports including football, hockey and rugby.

Thank you to Mrs Small and Mr Maddocks for helping on the day and thanks again to Miss Budden for all her hard work in organising these events.



## Recycling Visit

Unfortunately 'again' due to illness our Recycling visitor couldn't be here this week.

We look forward to rescheduling very soon.

## Bikeability

Please please please complete and return your bikeability forms. (year 5) **Monday was the deadline for these !!!**

## ““““““ BAGS 2 SCHOOLS ““““““

Thank you to everyone who supported the Bags 2 Schools collection. We managed to raise £72. We are looking to organise another collection later in the year.

## Survey Monkey

Big thank you to everybody who has taken the time to complete our survey monkey. 77% of our families gave us some great feedback which is being taken on board across the school. We have left the survey open .... Just in case you are one of the 23% and have a few spare minutes this weekend. It's great to get the full picture.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SK3CS59>

## Exmoor Challenge

A meeting for children and parents interested in taking part in the Exmoor challenge will be held at Heathcoat Primary on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 4pm – 5pm.

## 'Everything in Moderation'

Reminder..... Gina Tucker is hosting a nutrition workshop. This will take place at school 2.30pm on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February.

## Family Lunch

Date changed for the first Family Lunch. Year 6 will be bringing home invites and menus for Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February; we do hope you can join us.

## WIDEMOUTH BAY – October 2018

Please return letters and deposits before 9<sup>th</sup> February to enable this trip to go ahead.

## 'SEWING'

**Yipee, our Newsletter worked magic and we have a donated sewing machine.**

Anyone got another one ????

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## Awards

### House Points

House – Dart  
Class – 3  
Champion -  
Lottie

### FREE BOOK BAGS

We hope the new book bags went down well. Lots of children are using them however, if your child will not be using their new bag please do return it unused. Thanks !

### Health Eating – Parental Permission

If you haven't already returned your permission slip please do so before half term. If you need another copy let Hilary know.

### ZOO TRIP – LETTERS & MONEY PLEASE

#### More About Staff

A little bit about me for Emily Budden this week.....

Hello, my name is Emily Budden and I teach Class 2. Last year I taught Year 5 at Heathcoat Primary School and started at Rackenford in September. I attended a small rural primary school very similar to Rackenford and I have many fond memories of my time there. Prior to working at Heathcoat I spent 6 months in Canada where I worked as an instructor in a ski school. At university I studied outdoor education and this included a placement year where I worked at an outdoor education centre providing adventurous activities and educational visits such as fossil hunting, historical walks and a 'knight' school. I am excited about bringing some of this experience to Rackenford and expanding our opportunities for outdoor learning by making the most of the fantastic area we live in.

Emily

W/B 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018

<b>Mon</b>	Mrs Bright - Class 1 Class 2 Swimming Miss Ellis helping in Class 1 Football Club
<b>Tues</b>	Open Morning Drum Lessons Miss Budden & Mrs Drake on PE course Miss Horrell teaching Class 2. Mrs Rodgers teaching Class 3
<b>Weds</b>	Collective Worship with Little Angels Piano & Guitar lessons
<b>Thurs</b>	Family Lunch Year 6 Nutrition workshop Multisport after school club begins
<b>Fri</b>	Mrs Hagley & Mrs Lewry on course, Mrs Horrell teaching Class 1



Nikki has attended a transgender course and also completed a child counselling course this week.

#### Church News

*Stephanie Jeffs will be with us for Collective Worship in the church this week on Wednesday morning. All are welcome to join us 9am for 9.10am start. Steph will also be coming back to school after the service should anyone like to speak with her.*

#### Class 1 – Africa – Help

***Can anyone help with colourful and animal print fabrics to decorate the class ready for next term.....Thank you !***

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