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Welcome back! The Summer term is always very busy, but also very enjoyable with so much going on. We hope for lovely warm, sunny days so the children can enjoy being outside. We have reinstated the Daily Mile and you are welcome to join us at 9:10am on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesday. Well behaved dogs on leads are also welcome!

We will be celebrating the Queen's Jubilee (information to follow) and have organized whole school trips, including one to Plymouth Aquarium. Keep looking at the weekly Newsletter as further dates and events will be added...

Mrs Sharon Hagley Acting Headteacher

Don't forget, there is no school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, it is a Bank Holiday weekend. There will be an additional Bank Holiday Monday on 4<sup>th</sup> July as well as the Spring Bank Holiday Monday during Summer half term.

#### **Summer Term dates**

**Pupils' Term starts** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022

**May Bank Holiday** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022

Summer Half Term Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022 including Queens Platinum Jubilee

> Bank Holiday Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022

> Last day of Term Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

Dates for the Diary... (not for the whole school necessarily...)

> Wilcombe Wobbler Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022

> > **Capture The Flag** Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Drama Workshop Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022



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## **Mrs Penny Heard**

Sadly Mrs Heard will not be returning to school due to the many commitments she has. We feel privileged to have had such a dedicated and amazing TA as part of our team. We will miss her and we wish her all the best for the future.

#### Word of the week

We are involved in a vocabulary project to help improve the children's range and confidence with vocabulary. Each week every class will learn a new 'Word of the week'. Please could you talk to your child about this word and practice using it.

w/c 02/05/2022

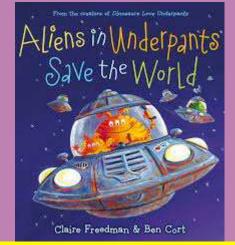
**Class R = finally** 

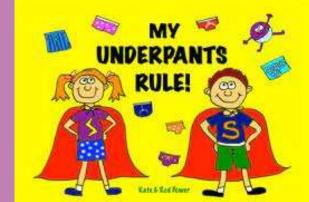
Class 1 = comfort

Class 2 = wield

Class 3 = quest

Little Angels news The children have had a busy first week back exploring our Safeguarding topic with two books called ' My Underpants Rule!' By Kate & Rod Power and 'Aliens in Underpants Save the World' by Claire Freedman and Ben Cort'. They have enjoyed lots of risk assessment focus when using scissors, building forts, caring for Flopsy, road safety and cooking. See last page for dates in the diary...









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#### Drama Workshop for Years 3,4, 5 and 6

On Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of May our two elder classes (Year 3,4, 5 and 6) are lucky enough to be taking part in a drama workshop in school.

The session will include learning Bronze Age terms and discussing historical facts to make comparisons of life then and now. This will include considering what Bronze Age people did and looking at role of matriarchy in their society. We will do a physical re-telling of the story of the Whitehorse Hill discovery on Dartmoor.

We hope that the children will enjoy this exciting learning opportunity.

**Mrs James** 





The Big Battery Hunt is on and we have had lots of donations of used batteries. Well done and keep it up!

#### Clubs w/c 02/05/2022

Bank Holiday Monday – we are not at school, no Monday Clubs.

• Tuesday **French** After School Club All Classes – French Games

- Tuesday Maths Club Year 4.
- Wednesday **Ukulele** Club for Years 3-6
- •Thursday Tennis After School Club
- Friday Multi-games After School Club

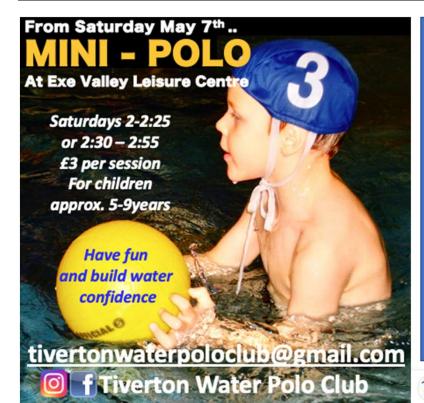
We also have free sports clubs Thursday and Friday lunchtime.







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# Budding or talented musician in your midst?

If your child would like to learn to play, or play more, Drums, Guitar, Ukulele and/or Piano please contact admin@... for more information.

Churches Housing Action Team -CHAT 3 d · O

Sophia, Harrison, Lucas and Connie visited CHAT before Easter with these wonderful donations from Rackenford Primary School and Tiverton Cub Scouts.

Our Clients were really grateful to have an Easter treat included in their Foodbank parcels.

If your school or community group would like to organise a collection for us, please get in touch!



#SavePlanet

Bring Your Own

Bottle

If your child is attending any After School Clubs it is essential that we have a completed permissions slip. Email admin@... To ask for a copy stating which one(s) you require.

> Many thanks. RPS Admin

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## Little Angels dates...

Lunch with RPS Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Storytime at RPS Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May

Storytime at RPS Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May

National Children's Fossil Competition 2022 - The Etches Collection - Museum of Jurassic Marine Life

- This competition is for children to earn the chance to display their fossil finds alongside the collection on display at The Etches Collection Museum of Jurassic Marine Life.
- The competition will be open to all UK residents between 5 and 16 years old. (Must have parent/guardian permission to enter)
- Every child who enters the competition will receive a personal annual pass to the museum. (Valid from September 1st 2022 September 1st 2023.)
- The competition has two age ranges 5-10 and 11-16. There will be 6 winners in total, 3 from each age range.
- The competition window is open from Monday, March 28th, 2022 until Friday, August 5th, 2022, where the children will have time to submit their entry form along with a written paper, presentation or video explaining where the fossil was discovered, what it is and why they believe it should be on display at the museum. No fossils are to be submitted at this stage in the process.
- <u>https://www.theetchescollection.org/fossilcomp</u>