



Stokenham Area Primary School Newsletter 2017/18  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018  
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Dear Parents

**Theme Week - The Blue Planet**

All week our children have been learning about The Blue Planet and how we can have a positive impact through the choices we make. Various topics have been covered including recycling, the effect of plastic on the oceans, how we can be 'plastic clever', sustainability and fishing responsibly.

Congratulations to our winners of the colouring competition organised last week to highlight "The Blue Planet" Our year 3 and 4 judges were presented with some fantastic drawings of various sea creatures and following the theme of saving our oceans. Our winners from each class were:

- Year 1 - Luke F
- Year 2 - Finn G
- Year 3 - Grace T
- Year 4 - Theo P
- Year 5 - Sam W
- Year 6 - Gracie P



Our Year 3 and 4 pupils have been reducing the plastic impact on our oceans by designing their own tote bags. Using natural dyes (turmeric, beetroot, red cabbage and coffee) the children first tie-died their bags before decorating them with their own designs and slogans.



Thank you to Mr Roberts who came in to school yesterday to talk with our Foundation Stage and Year 5 & 6 children about fishing responsibly. He fishes out of Salcombe and at the moment is 'dredging' for scallops and from April he will be fishing mostly for bass. He told us how the waters in the English Channel have changed over the recent years and he has seen an unprecedented amount of blue sharks, Portuguese Man O War and has even seen and caught tuna but alas it was the one that got away taking all his line and half his rod!



### **Year 4 Indoor Athletics Tournament - Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

Good luck to all our Year 4 athletes who will be taking part in the Kingsbridge Area Athletics Tournament at Quayside. Please remember the children will need to have the following:

- Trainers
- They will be wearing the school PE kit for the competition
- Packed lunch
- Plenty of snacks and drink

**We will be leaving school at 12.15pm in the minibus and all children need to be collected from Quayside Leisure Centre by 3.00pm.**

**Good luck to all our Athletes**

### **Various Reasons To Have A Spring Clean**

Half term; a time to relax, enjoy spending time with your family, days out and having a Spring clean! We have two events coming up after half term that required unwanted/old clothes.

- **Year 5 & 6 Tee Shirt to Bag Project - Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.** Your child doesn't want to get rid of their favourite tee-shirt but it is just too small. We ask that our Year 5 and 6 children bring in that old tee-shirt and it will be magically turned into a tote bag.
- **Bags to School Day - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.** Please bring your bags of old clothes to school by 9.00am at the latest. This is a fabulous way of getting rid of old clothes, donating to charity and in return raising money for the school.
- **Spring cleaning;** although tiring can be quite therapeutic!



### **Forest Schools**

After half term our Year 4 pupils will be having their Forest School sessions every Friday afternoon. As always, the Foundation Stage will continue in the morning with the Year 4 children changing from their uniforms into their forest school clothes after lunch.

### Year 3 and 4 Residentials

Letters will be coming home after the half term break regarding the Year 3 and 4 residentials which take place during the summer term. We have also invited East Soar Farm and Forest & Beach to give a presentation/talk to any parents wishing to learn more information about the residentials.



Details are:

- Year 4 - Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February at Modbury Primary School starting at 3.40pm - Schalk and Marijke Herselman from East Soar Farm
- Year 3 - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March at Modbury Primary School starting at 3.40pm - Pete and Andrea Moore from Forest and Beach

### News from the Kitchen

After half term, we will be serving food from our new school menu which is attached. We will be starting with week 1.

Should you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me.

Happy Valentine's Day for Wednesday!

We hope you have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

Yours sincerely



**Sue Jezard**  
**Executive Headteacher**

## Congratulations

Every Friday we hold a special assembly when we celebrate the children's achievements in school and share successes in their interests and activities outside school.

Our theme this term is:

### **The Blue Planet**

Children receive an picture representing caring for the environment, sustainability and being part of a family at school.

Awards this week go to:



Henry  
Esme  
Isaac  
Lilli  
Evie  
Louise  
Erin R



### Mealtime Assistant Award

Joshua F

## The Week Ahead - Week 1 - NEW MENU

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	3.30-4.30pm - Football After School Club
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	12.30-1.15pm - Tag Rugby Lunchtime Club <b>Year 4 Indoor Athletics Tournament at Quayside - see above</b>
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	3.40pm - Year 4 Residential Presentation at Modbury - see above
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	3.30-4.30pm - Netball After School Club 3.30-4.30pm - Little Dragons 3.30-4.30pm - Ukulele After School Club
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	<b>Forest School for Foundation Stage and Year 4</b> Bags 2 School Day - see above 3.30-4.30pm - Junior Taekwon-Do

## Dates for your Diary

Day & Date	Times	Year	Event
Monday 5 March	3.40	3	Year 3 Residential Presentation at Modbury
Thursday 8 March	PM		After School Netball Club cancelled
Friday 16 March	AM	6	KCC Science Morning - details to follow
Monday 26 March	PM	ALL	Parent Consultation Evening
Tuesday 27 March	PM	ALL	Parent Consultation Evening
Wednesday 28 March	PM	3	Parent Consultation Evening
Thursday 29 March		ALL	Last Day of Spring Term
			Easter Holidays
Monday 16 April	AM	ALL	First Day of Summer Term
	AM	6	Leave for Grenville House Residential
Friday 20 April	PM	6	Return from Grenville House Residential
Monday 7 May		ALL	Bank Holiday Monday
Tuesday 8 May		5	Bikeability Week
Thursday 17 May	AM	4	East Soar Farm Residential
Friday 18 May	PM	4	Return from East Soar Farm
Monday 28 May to Friday 1 June		ALL	Half Term Week
Thursday 7 June	AM	3	Forest & Beach Residential
Friday 8 June	PM	3	Return from Forest & Beach
Monday 2 July	AM	5	Heatree Residential
Wednesday 4 July	PM	5	Return from Heatree Residential
Friday 20 July	PM	ALL	Last day of Summer Term