

Teignmouth Community School, Mill Lane

Spring 2 Newsletter

The children have been making so many happy memories this half-term!

World Book Day and National Science Week provided great opportunities to celebrate Reading and Science, with a range of exciting activities on offer. The children have enjoyed a variety of trips and visits– with Reception visiting the local allotments, and KS1 travelling to Haldon Forest. We were also exceptionally proud of Mr Keirle’s class representing the school brilliantly in our local Handball tournament!

We are continuing to build upon our rich music curriculum, with some fantastic musicians visiting us early in March, and Miss Sowden’s class preparing a wonderful performance for the Ivy Trust Music festival. It has also been lovely to see how our pupils are looking at supporting their wider communities with some excellent fundraising for Comic Relief, and ELF (Exeter Leukemia Fund).

We have many more exciting plans for summer term– including our 50th Anniversary Celebrations at the end of the year! In the meantime, I wish you all a wonderful, happy Easter holiday.

Mr Marchant

Diary Dates

The following trips will take place this half-term, and dates will be confirmed as soon as possible:

-Reception– trip to Ocombe Farm (approximate cost £5) -Years 1 and 2- trip to Torquay Museum (approximate cost £5)

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| 17.04.23 | First day back – children return to school following the Easter holiday |
| 17-21.04.23 | Careers Week – children are invited to come dressed up as what they want to be when they are older on Friday 21 st May |
| 21.04.23 | Years 1 and 2’s Quest Day – no dressing up required. |
| 24.04.23 | Years 5 and 6 visit to a Solar Farm – more information to follow |
| 01.05.23 | Bank Holiday Monday – school closed |
| 02.05.23 | Year 3/4 (Miss Sowden’s class) fieldwork trip looking at Teignmouth’s railway – more information to follow |
| 04.05.23 | Year 4 (Mr Tyler’s class) fieldwork trip looking at Teignmouth’s railway – more information to follow |
| 08.05.23 | Public Holiday for the King’s Coronation – school closed |
| 09-12.05.23 | Year 6 SATs week |
| 15-26.05.23 | Year 2 SATs weeks |
| 19.05.23 | Years 3 and 4’s Quest Day – children can wear their own clothes to school |
| 25.05.23 | Years 5 and 6’s Quest Day – Mexican-themed dress up |
| 26.5.23 | 9:00 AM– E-safety workshop for parents in the hall– win a £30 voucher |
| 26.05.23 | Last day of summer 1 half term |
| 29-02.06.23 | Half term holiday |
| 05.06.23 | First Day of summer 2 half term |

WORLD BOOK DAY

Reading is at the heart of our curriculum, and is something our pupils have described as 'the best thing ever'! World Book Day provided a fantastic opportunity to celebrate this further. Thank you to all of you for providing such wonderful costumes and supporting the event so brilliantly.



SCIENCE WEEK

To celebrate National Science Week, our pupils had a range of fun activities and visitors. Energy Edd ran workshops for all of our pupils (involving work on light, and building rockets). Colleagues from Exeter Road visited to provide some important



STEM challenges. We also loved the wonderful engagement in the 'Potato Parade' competition!

As always, we believe in the importance of science for our pupils. Every child has access to a rich science curriculum, where they develop a range of practical skills, study aspirational figures, and have opportunities to apply their learning in Outdoor Learning sessions.



E-SAFETY EVENT

The partnership between school and home is vital in looking after children's safety and wellbeing. With that in mind, we have invested in a special E-Safety workshop for our parent community about ways to keep our children safe online. We believe so much in its importance, that we will be holding a free prize draw for a £30 voucher for those that attend.

SHROVE TUESDAY

Pancake Day is always a wonderful time of year! The children certainly enjoyed 'tucking in' to their learning with pupils enjoying Al Fresco cooking of pancakes in Outdoor Learning, and enjoying songs and baking in Reception. Meanwhile, pupils learnt about Shrove Tuesday, Lent and Easter in their RE lessons.



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