



Filleigh Primary School's Monthly Newsletter

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A message from the Head of School

Here comes the sun! The children have jumped back into their learning this term and it has been lovely seeing them enjoying our outside spaces again. Our older children have also been on their residential this week and have been a credit to the school. A huge thank you to the staff involved in making trips like this possible. We are looking forward to even more exciting activities this term. Fantastic stuff!

Mrs Eggleton



Dates for your Diary

Monday 4 th May – Bank Holiday School Closed	Monday 11 th May – Thursday 14 th May – Sats Week	Tuesday 19 th May – Sports Day & PTA Teddy Bears Picnic	Half Term – Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May Term starts back on Monday 1 st June
Wednesday 1 st July and Thursday 2 nd July – SMCC Y6 Transition Days (Rest of school on Thursday 2 nd moving up)	Thursday 2 nd July – Moving up Morning	Monday 6 th July – Year 6 Crealy Trip	Tuesday 7 th July – Buzzards Putsborough Lifesaving Trip
Wednesday 15 th July – KS2 Performance. Open dress rehearsal 2:20pm and Full performance 5pm	Tuesday 21 st July – Leavers Assembly 9:30am	Tuesday 21 st July – Last day of term	Monday 7 th September – Term starts

What's been happening this month?

Art Club

Mrs Phillips' art club started this week and the children have had a wonderful time.



Thank you

A big thank you to Mrs Phillips and Mx Perryman for taking time out of their busy weekends with family to come in and paint our Foxes Class fence. The fresh lick of paint has really brightened up the space and their efforts are much appreciated.

Notice Board

Breakfast Club

If you would like to book your child into breakfast club, please e-mail:
filleigh@devonmoorsfederation.devon.sch.uk

- Breakfast will be included for children arriving before **8.20am**
- The main gates at the top of the school will be open to allow access to the club only from **7.50am**.

- The price is **£2.50 per session and is payable on the ParentMail system.**
- If you have booked a place and do not turn up, **you will be charged** – cases of illness will be considered on an individual basis.
- If your child is unwell that morning and cannot make Breakfast Club, please could you ring or text the school mobile on 07833 648724 to let them know.
- If you want to bring your child to breakfast club on that morning **you must call the school mobile** on 07833 648724 to ask if there is space.

Reporting Absence

When your child is absent from school you MUST contact the school to inform us that your child will be absent, the reason for their absence and their expected return date to school. If you do not inform us by 9.30am it is our duty of care to start calling the next of kin and work through the contacts list. As you can imagine this is quite a time-consuming job.

Please ensure you report your child absent by phoning, e-mailing or the quickest and easiest way is on the ParentMail app.

If you wish to request time off for you child you need to complete an absence request form and return it to Miss Lovell. [Filleigh Primary School - Key Documents \(filleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk\)](http://filleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk)

School Uniform

Please follow this link for a reminder of our school uniform policy. We have lots of spare uniform available; if anyone needs help finding a new jumper then please just ask: [Filleigh Primary School - School Uniform](http://filleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk)

STAGS:

April has been a busy one for Stags! We have begun our final stretch into our SAT's for Y6's and our SATS club is up and running.

Most importantly, we went on our residential to Okehampton! This was a fantastic opportunity for our children to experience time away from home, and to take part in some fantastic activities. We tried rock climbing, low ropes, team building activities, weasling, archery and grass sledging. I was really proud of how many of the children gave everything a go, despite knowing that they were nervous, or actively conquering a fear!

In the evening, we had an opportunity to socialise with some of the children from Coplestone, one of our partner schools. The children were able to make new friends and played some really nice games with the other children.

Overall, it was a very positive experience for us, and one I hope the children enjoyed. We will be ramping up our preparation for our Y6 SATs going forward, and we are looking forward to seeing them achieve the very best they can!



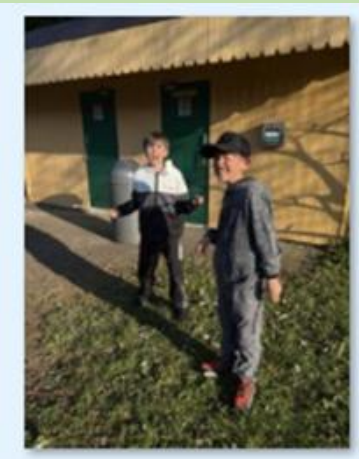
Mr Dovell, Mrs Hickson, Mrs Allen & Mrs Palmer

BUZZARDS:

It has been lovely welcoming everyone back after the Easter holidays. Everyone has come back ready to learn. In science, we have started looking at Forces and Magnets. So far we have explored the push and pull forces. In computing, we have been using scratch to work on our coding skills. Everyone has given this a great go and we have even created our own maze game!



It was another great residential this year at Adventure Okehampton. It was lovely seeing everyone push themselves out their comfort zones and try new things. We tried rock climbing, team building activities, bouldering and archery. I was super impressed with the behaviour from Buzzards. They definitely made Filleigh proud.



Miss Powe & Mrs Kent Smith



BUTTERFLIES:

We have been doing some fantastic learning in Butterflies Class this month. We have started our new writing unit, using "The High Street" by Alice Melvin as our inspiration. The children have been able to recall Sally's shopping list and use it to write their own versions of the story. Perhaps children could help write a shopping list with you at home?

In History, we have begun our new "changes in technology" topic. Mrs Palmer has been talking to the children about how advancements have altered our lives - for better or for worse. It would be lovely to support this learning at home with your "homework for grown ups" sheets!

In maths, we have been creating tally charts and tables to display data and think about how statistics help us analyse information. It would be great to support this learning at home by taking opportunities to record information using tallies.

In DT, we have continued with our food design by creating delicious potato wedges and dips using the air fryer. The children have really enjoyed trying some new foods and evaluating what they like or dislike about them. It was particularly entertaining to see their strong reactions to the smell of garlic!



Mrs Eggleton, Miss Barrable, Mrs Denning & Mrs Palmer



FOXES & FOXCUBS:

After some fun activities to end last term, we have dived into our play and learning, making the most of this glorious weather! Foxes have enjoyed lots of play to help develop their resilience and cooperation, their listening skills and how to communicate clearly and politely with one another. They really are a wonderful class who look after each other, having developed a strong sense of themselves. 😊



Mrs Phillips, Mrs Rogers, Miss Scoins & Miss Barrable 😊