



Newsletter

Friday 19th July 2019

Aim Aspire Achieve

Dear Parents and Carers



Special Guest Assembly

Local entertainer Mr Bill Murray (Charlie's Grandad) kindly joined us for a brief assembly this morning. He shared with the children a range of local folk songs and played the accordion too. We all joined in with the actions and thoroughly enjoyed keeping our historic traditions alive through song. This was a wonderful experience for the children who all gave Mr Murray a great reception. We are looking forward to exploring local traditions in greater depth from September onwards. If you have any knowledge of the local area and the traditions that are being neglected, please do get in touch. We would like to find out more about Devon's rich and vibrant history.

Residential to Beam House



The annual residential trip was a terrific success. This year, the venue was a PGL activities centre located near Bude. For many of the participants this was the first trip away from home. Many achieved their goals and faced their fears and all enjoyed the varied, exciting and challenging activities, superbly organised by Mr Foreman. The accompanying adults – Mrs Day, Mrs Bowles and Mrs Reynolds managed to keep up with the children despite having little sleep!!!! Well done to you all; many wonderful memories were created. The size of the welcome party on their return indicated that the parents had missed them all too!

Goodbye Year 6 Pupils

We celebrated another key moment of school life as our Year 6 pupils came to the end of their primary education. The parents, grandparents and invited guests sat with tissues in their hands waiting to hear about the treasured times most of these pupils have had at our wonderful school. Year 6 pupils chose memorable moments from their seven years and illustrated these through song, dance and travelling back in a time machine. They fondly remembered the teachers and adults who had helped them along the way. We are all very proud of their efforts and achievements, and wish each and every pupil (and their parents!!) the very best as the next chapter in their lives begins at Okehampton College.



Community Board on the Website

<http://www.ntcps.co.uk/north-tawton-community-events/>

Classroom Shuffle

The many changes that will be in place for September have already started, as you may have realised by the recent relocation of your child's class this week! The staff members were keen to move into their new classrooms and have cleared them ready for a deep clean over the summer.

OAK CLASS YR – same room

Mrs Martin/Mrs Dunn/Mrs Shaw/Mrs Shelley

CHESTNUT CLASS Y1 – in the old Sycamore Class

Mrs Budiman/Miss Heffer

BEECH CLASS Y2 – in the old Music Room

Miss Boyce/Mrs Stoneman

WILLOW CLASS Y3 – in the old Chestnut Class

Miss Ruby/Mrs Fee/Mrs Day/Mrs Dunt/Mrs Jelley

ASH CLASS Y4 – in the old Beech Class

Miss Radbourne/Mrs Prole/Mrs Grant/Mrs Salter/Mrs Shaw

HAZEL CLASS Y5 – in the old Willow Class

Mr Foreman/Mrs Day/Mrs Dunt/ Mrs Bowles

SYCAMORE CLASS Y6 – in the old Hazel Class

Mrs Ware/ Mrs Squires/ Mrs Bowles

Over the summer break we are hoping to start some much-needed renovation work on the older building. There will be plenty of activity on site, but please do stay vigilant for unwanted trespassers and contact the police if you suspect anything untoward.

Finally...

I am very pleased to have completed my first year as the Head of School. We have had a fairly turbulent time but have weathered it well. I would like to thank you all for your support and good wishes during the last three terms. The aspect of the job that gives me the greatest satisfaction is being able to lead such a fantastic, hard-working, dedicated team of genuinely lovely people. Your children are very lucky!

THANK YOU!

Have a wonderful summer enjoying time with your children.

Miss Chauhan

Monday 2 nd September	Non-pupil Day
Tuesday 3 rd September	Non-pupil Day
Wednesday 4 th September	FIRST DAY BACK TO SCHOOL
Thursday 5 th September	
Friday 6 th September	Little Seedlings 9–11am in school hall

Okehampton Rotary Club



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Rotary Club of Okehampton

Primary Schools' Photographic Competition 2019

"For budding photographers"

We invite you to participate in this annual competition the theme for this year is:

"THROUGH MY EYES".

The Rotary club will provide prize money of £15, £10 and £5 for your own in-school competition in September. You would then submit your best 3 entries to a "between schools" competition for which the prizes are £30, £20 and £10 as well as up to 3 "highly commended" prizes of £5 each. The school which submits the winning entry will also receive a digital camera.

Rules:

1. Please complete and return the entry form as soon as possible.
2. Entries should normally be submitted in Digital format, as a JPG file, but a good A4 print will be acceptable.
3. The name, age of pupil and school should be clearly written on the back of the entry (N.B. – not the position in the school competition)
4. Closing date for photographs to be entered to the final is Monday 7th October 2019 to be delivered or sent to
David Potter – address above. Entries can be made by post on a memory card or stick or e-mail attachment.
5. The final will be judged by Rotary Club members at the meeting on Thursday 17th October 2019 with the results posted as soon as possible after that.