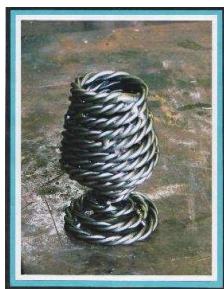


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This week's winning team was the Reef Knot Team with 100 points.

Karen Luxton

I'm sure that many of you will be sad to learn, as we were, that Karen Luxton, one of our long serving Teaching Assistants will be leaving us at the end of the spring term. Karen wishes to explore further challenges outside of a school environment. We wish her well but will miss her lots!

Playtimes

We have noticed recently that many children are bringing inappropriate snacks to eat at playtime, or are tucking into some of the items from their lunch. The only snacks that should be eaten at playtime are pieces of fruit or muesli bars. Please could you assist us in encouraging your children to follow this policy.

Tag Rugby – Class 3

The Tag Rugby Festival which was postponed last Monday due to bad weather will take place on Monday 17th March. If you signed a permission slip for the postponed event this will be carried forward for next Monday. If you have not signed a slip we will have given a spare one to your child with this newsletter. Please ensure these are returned on Monday morning.

As explained for the original date, it will be necessary for parents to collect children from Sidmouth College at 3pm. If this proves difficult for anyone please see Mrs Akay on Monday morning. We are sorry for the short notice about the re-arranged date – we only received confirmation from the coach company this morning.

Mill On The Brue

A reminder that we have made a disc of the photos that the staff took during the residential weekend. Parents are welcome to borrow these to print off pictures. If you would like to borrow one please give your name in to the office and we will loan them out over the next couple of weeks.

We have also put up a display of photos and follow up work in the Computer Room. You are welcome to come in and have a look before or after school.

Lost Property

There is still a missing carrier bag of clothes from Mill on the Brue. Imogen's bag containing a white fleece with spots on it and a pair of leggings hasn't been seen since we returned. Could all those Class 3 pupils who attended the weekend please have a good look to see if these items got mixed up with other people's belongings

Cathedral Concert

The concert last weekend in the Cathedral was a very special afternoon. The children worked very hard during the rehearsals and behaved well. The concert itself was very enjoyable and several children and parents commented that they had been very lucky to have taken part in a once in a lifetime experience.

Grizzly

Well done to April who completed the Grizzly in 4hrs 26minutes. If you promised to sponsor her please send the money into school in a labelled envelope.

A Message from School Council

To raise money for the School Community Fund the members of the School Council have decided to use the knot shapes that are painted on the playground. On the knot we are going to collect a row of coins. But to do this we need your help! We would like you to start collecting coins to place on the knots. On Friday 4th April we would like people to bring in their coins and during the day we will place them on the team knot that we each belong to.

School Council members will then help Mrs Gray count the money and take it to the Post Office. The community fund is used to sponsor Grace in Ghana and also for helping people in our own community e.g. buying flowers for someone who is poorly.

Please, please, please start collecting coins! School Council members have also designed some posters to advertise the day which you will see around school.

Head lice

We have had several concerned phone calls from parents recently about an increase in the number of head lice found in the children's hair. Would all parents please check, and if necessary treat their children's heads. This does need to be a joint effort – if one child goes untreated then those that have been checking and treating will soon be infested again.

Swimming

Congratulations to years 3 and 4 on their brilliant efforts at the inter school swimming gala. They were a credit to the school. Particular mention should be made to the girls' team who achieved a number of first places. Well done everybody!

Sponsored Walk

A reminder that this will take place on 24th April. If you require a further sponsor form please see Dawn.