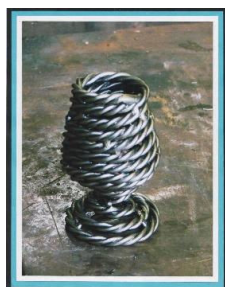


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This week's winning team was the Bowline team.

Sponsored Walk

Thank you to everyone who supported the sponsored walk. Sorry the children got so mucky – but I think they all enjoyed themselves! Please can sponsor money come into school clearly labelled – any cheques should be made out to Devon County Council.

Swimming

A reminder that Class 2 swimming begins next Thursday. Please could all permission slips and contributions be brought into school on Monday?

Football Club

A new course of Football Club will start on Thursday with Andy Widger. Forms are enclosed with this newsletter. The club runs from the end of school until 4.20pm.

Cricket Club

We are able to offer Cricket Coaching on Wednesday Evenings for Key Stage 2 children – please fill in the enclosed form.

Football Match

There will be an informal children/parents football match on the playing field in Branscombe on Sunday at 2.30pm. All are welcome to play or watch. It will only take place if the weekend is dry as the drainage on the pitch is not great!

School Uniform

Now that the weather is hopefully improving the children are likely to be taking off their jumpers at playtime. Please could you ensure all school uniform and PE kit is clearly named so that items can be returned to the correct owners!

Allotment

Are there any parents (grandparents, uncles, aunties, friends, governors etc!) who would be able to help with making the paths on our allotment on Saturday? If so please phone Lyn Cattlin on 01297 680265 who will explain what is needed. Thank you for your support.

Next week an allotment club will start on Tuesday lunch times so that children can become involved with the weeding etc. Thanks to Lyn Cattlin for organising this.

Lunch Time Help

We are still desperate for help at lunch times – particularly on a Wednesday. If anyone would be able to assist us please speak to Dawn or Mrs Gray.

Absence Notes

Just a reminder to parents that when a child is absent we need the reason for the absence confirmed in writing on the day the child returns to school (even if you have informed us of the absence by telephone). The written confirmation can be on the absence form we provide in school or just a signed letter.

Topic Outlines

Information about this term's topics will be sent out next week.

Dates for the Summer Term

Key Stage 2 SATS Week 12-16 May. It is imperative that all Year 6 children are in school each day this week.

May Pole Dancing – 23rd May in the afternoon.

Fun Day – Wednesday 2nd July

Open Evening with Cream Teas – The evening of Thursday 10th July (times to be confirmed).

The Secondary School Transition Days for Year 6 pupils that we have been informed of so far are:

Sidmouth College – 7th and 8th July

Colyton Grammar School – 25th June

PTFA – A Message from April

- Thanks to everyone for helping with refreshments after the Sponsored walk/swim yesterday! Particularly Denise, Faith, Jo, Carolyn and Janet for topping-up everyone with biscuits and drinks.
- Could any outstanding "Invitation" Books (the thick voucher books you signed for just before the holidays) be returned BY MONDAY, please so that they can be picked up without incurring postage costs? I think the general consensus has been that it's a great idea - but a bit too far from home. Thank you for all your comments - I have fed them back and will keep you all posted if and when the Exeter Book gets established.
- Next PTFA meeting is on Weds 7th May at the Fountain Head pub in Branscombe from 7pm. It would be lovely to see a few more faces this time. We have a couple of fund-raising projects lined up for this term which will raise much needed money for School projects - including the Playground appeal - but need a few more hands to make them happen.
- We are still short of a Vice Chair at the moment - which is a position that needs to be legally filled anyway, but certainly in order for us to become a Charity. Charity status potentially opens the door to thousands of pounds worth of funding, which makes it a priority for 2008. So if you would like to put your name forward for Vice Chair, please let April know ASAP on 07973 202441.