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The next few days

- Monday 4th March -
- Tuesday 5th March - G & T Science workshop @ Honiton Community College
- Jennifer Weston Seismologist in Woodpeckers
- Wednesday 6th March -
- Thursday 7th March - World Book Day
- Friday 8th March -

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Welcome back, I hope you had a great half term. This week has been dominated by a number of sporting events. It is such a joy to watch our school take part and compete with the other schools in the local area. We all agree, we maybe small but we are mighty on the pitch. Our children demonstrate super team work and determination. Again this week we were complimented on the positive attitudes and standards of behaviour our children show when we are representing the school.

We are very lucky to have the extra special support from Mrs Moran; she has done a splendid job of coordinating the additional events for the children.

What a fabulous afternoon of sunshine we had for the PAW Cup Yr3/4 Tag Rugby on Monday.

Payhembury's Yr3/4 Beech Class came across to compete with Awliscombe's Woodpeckers class on the school field. Once everyone's tag belts and bands were attached we started with a frenzied game of 'Tiger Tails' - everyone rushing around to gather as many tag tails from the opposition as possible. Awliscombe won those games 131-115. We also played a passing game to try to encourage the children to find space and get a better feel for catching the oval ball. Payhembury won those games overall 128-90.

The progress during the afternoon was seen from both teams when we started to introduce the rules of 'NO forwards passes' - this skill of running forwards and passing backwards felt a little strange for some to start with but by the end of the afternoon the progress was clear to see. Alongside the points scoring games we were also awarding points for the Schools Games Values of Honesty, Teamwork and Passion and both teams scored 14 points across the afternoon.

A special mention should go to all those players who have played rugby outside of school and clearly knew the rules and were also confident in their skills - they all helped and encouraged others to learn alongside them - well done everyone. A big thank you to all the staff from both schools that helped to make the afternoon run smoothly.

On a gloriously hot February (Tuesday) afternoon 8 players from Kingfishers Class headed off to the East Devon Hockey Tournament. We have competed in it before but the team were super excited to be putting their gum shields and shin pads in place and taking part this year.

We came a close 3rd in our 1st round, then progressed to the next drawing, this game we finished with a friendly against Brixham and this was a mixed FORT team and the children gelled really well on the pitch.

There were 14 teams in total about 140 children. It was one of those blushing with pride moments when Mr Moran the organiser came over to us and complemented us on our teamwork and sportsmanship. As well as standing out as a team, Charlotte was selected by the Kings School leaders as Spirit of the game, for her enthusiasm, honesty and encouragement. Pretty awesome when there were so many children!

The astro facility at the Kings School is a fantastic space to play on when normally confined to the school playground! There were some superb stick skills on show and I think next year once at secondary school these players will really shine at this sport. The team voted at the end of the afternoon to award the 'Respect' medal to Izzy. Well done Izzy and everyone for some fabulous teamwork and progress.

Again; our tag rugby team showed their sportsmanship, enthusiasm, PARCH values and love of sport (and mud). They got stronger in each game - finishing with a 7 - 1 win in the final game. Brilliant! We've one more round in a couple of weeks.

Next week doesn't look to be as busy. We have a very interesting visitor for Woodpeckers on Tuesday. Jennifer Weston, a seismologist, will be coming to talk to the children linked to their learning topic of Tremors. On the same day we also have some ks1 children going to Honiton Community College to take part in a science workshop.

And it's here again..... World Book day! I have checked my diary a hundred times and I don't have any meetings so I will need to find a costume this year too! My weekend job. It's a great day and the children love it. So I just wanted to thank you in advance for helping the children come dressed as a character from a book.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Hammett

Star of the Week - Well Done To.....

<u>Cygnets</u>	Cayden Zara	
<u>Swans</u>	Lily	
<u>Robins</u>	Bella	Alex
<u>Woodpeckers</u>	Theo	Ania
<u>Kingfishers</u>	Emily S	Abbie

Notices to Parents

Letters sent

Robins Space Day
Science Workshop
Year 6 SAT's booster class

World Book Day

All children and staff can dress as a character from their favourite book on Thursday 7th March.

Swans and Cygnets

Please can everyone bring in old clothes and wellingtons to use all week.

Woodpeckers

On Tuesday 5th March, Woodpeckers are being visited by Jennifer, a Seismologist. We will be making seismometers and so if possible, please could you send in any empty medium and or large cereal boxes with your children. If you do not have a child in Woodpeckers but are happy to donate some boxes to us, we would be very grateful.

Choir

Please pencil the 1st May in your diary for an early evening concert at St Pauls Church in Honiton. Details to follow soon.

2018/19 Academic Year

5th March - Jennifer Weston Seismologist in Woodpeckers
6th March - Teaching and Learning Committee @ Awliscombe
7th March - World Book Day
10th March - The Grizzly - Marshalls required
11th March - Year 1/2 - Multi skills
14th March - Year 5 Youth Speak
15th March - Red Nose Day
25th March - Parents Evening
26th March Parents Evening
27th March - Parents Evening
3rd April - Come and Sing @ Wellington
5th April - Last Day of Spring Term
22nd April - Bank Holiday
23rd April - First Day of Summer Term
6th May - Bank Holiday
27th - 31st May - Half Term
3rd June - Non Pupil Day
19th July - Last Day of Term

PTFA



Thank you to everyone to everyone who supported the last Kids Café, we raised £100.20 I will confirm the date of the next one soon. Our next Bag2School collection will be on Wed 1st May, time to go through your wardrobe over the Easter hols! Please follow our FB page, Awliscombe C of E Primary School PTFA. Thanks for your continued support. Blue Skies, Nic Greenland.

