

Weekly School News Roundup

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News from your Headteacher

It has been another hectic week at Withycombe! Trips off site, the Year 6 Production, and Buddy Tours. This term is always a busy one, but in school we love giving the children as many opportunities that enhance their learning as possible. As children journey through school, they have opportunities to speak in assemblies or church services; something many adults would find daunting. As time goes on, the children become more and more confident in 'public speaking'. The progress made by our children was very evident on Tuesday night when nearly 300 people watched our Year 6 children perform 'A Hint of Snow White' at Exmouth Pavilion. It was truly inspiring and magical. We are so proud of each and every one of the children who took part or helped to create backdrops or props. The singing was spectacular! Lots and lots of hard work went into the production by staff and children alike. Thank you to you all for such a wonderful show! We are looking forward to next year already!

Moving On Morning

Our 'Moving On Morning' will be on Monday 1st July 9-11:30am (where children spend some time in their new classroom with their new teacher / TAs). You should have received details about which class your child will be joining in September and who their new teacher/teachers will be. We do have a few vacancies to fill but hope to appoint teachers next week to fill these gaps in staffing. As soon as we have appointed, we will let the relevant classes know. Teachers have already met to 'handover' and discuss their classes with the new teachers, so they are already prepared prior to 'Moving On Morning' – including any medical or learning needs in each class. We hope that children will enjoy their morning in their new classroom.

Parents will have the opportunity to meet new teachers and visit the new classrooms in September, but in the meantime, if you have any important information that you feel needs to be shared with new teachers, please email the current class email account so that this information can be shared.

Buddy Tours



Well done to our amazing Year 5 children who led Buddy Tours this week with our new starters.

Our new children had a tour with their buddy and then had the opportunity to try out some of the items on our school lunch menu.

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Collective Worship



This week we have focused on the Olympic Value of 'Excellence'

We discussed that 'excellence' does not mean you have to be the best at things or win all the races. We discussed that excellence just means 'trying your best' and trying hard at whatever you do. We heard about local athlete Jo Pavey who in the 2012 London Olympics, competed in the 10,000m. She didn't win a medal, placing 7th but she did smash her PB, knocking 30 seconds off her previous best. Jo said 'you couldn't wish for anything more'

We've been asked to share this invitation: St John the Evangelist Church Withycombe Village Road Annual Cream Tea and Table Top Sale, Saturday 6 July 2-4pm. Free entry. Stalls include Cakes, Books, Jewellery, Plants, Tombola and Grand Raffle. All welcome to this family-friendly event.

Also, remember to have a look at the Home Connect page of the website, or our Facebook page, where you'll find videos from our sports day, and (coming soon) the year 6 performance.

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs. E Jones

Contact us

You can email your child's teacher using the class email account which you can find on the school website under your Year Group page (via Home Connect page). Remember that teachers don't have an opportunity to check their emails during the school day as they're busy teaching, so if you have an urgent message please contact the school office.

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This week's sports & achievements!

You may have already seen in the Exmouth Journal that Elsie, Reece, Amelia and Piper played for their Exmouth United under 9's Football team on Sunday, winning the Axminster 6-a-side tournament!

Well done to the Withycombe girls and their team-mates!!



Freddie in Barn Owl Class achieved the player of the week trophy in the L&F football club. We're very proud of him.

Well done Freddie!



Ella competed in Rounds 7&8 of the BMX National Series in Manchester at the weekend. It was tough as it was the hottest race of the year, so far.

Ella had to fight hard and was able to get 2nd on both days!



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Amazing Grazing!

We had a wonderful (hot!) trip to Amazing Grazing today! We found out about African Pygmy Goats, Kune Kune Pigs, Ponies and Alpacas and got to stroke and feed them! We explored the cool, shady forest and played in the Mud Kitchen and Music Zone. We even crept into the forest after lunch to share the poem we've been learning with the Forest Fairies! The children were a credit to the school and we are very proud of them!



Year 1 are very proud of the windmills they have made in DT!

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Castle Trip for Year 1

The children in Year 1 had a fantastic trip to Powderham Castle last week. We learnt about what people ate during Tudor times, and what they wore. We also enjoyed having a go at some Tudor dancing and watching an amazing bird show. The children behaved beautifully and were a credit to our school.



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Year 6 Performance

Just wow! We loved the Year 6 performance at The Pavilion this week.

This annual tradition is an opportunity for the children to show off their other talents – including great acting, comedic timing, and also (very courageously) fabulous solo singing! Well done to everyone in Year 6!

