Withycombe Raleigh C of E Primary School

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News from your Headteacher

I hope that you enjoyed the long weekend and that you have appreciated the short, 4-day week! I know I have! The term seems to be racing away from us already and there are lots of exciting things planned for the term ahead. You should have received a newsletter from staff along with an overview which sets out the learning that your children will be covering over the term. As part of the learning, teachers are planning trips and visits, details of which you will receive separately. Payments for trips should be made via your 'ParentPay' account. If you have any difficulties using your account, please contact the office who would be happy to help you.

As the weather becomes warmer (hopefully) please ensure children have sun cream applied before school and bring a sunhat to wear when outside. We are getting increasing amounts of jumpers, cardigans and leavers' hoodies left on the field and playground as children discard these as they get too warm while playing. To make it easier for us to rehome clothing, please make sure uniform is clearly labelled. We are very grateful to Mrs Bolwell from the PTFA who regularly sorts the lost property and reunites children and lost clothing, but she can only do this if clothing is named.

Parent Survey

For this week's post-survey feedback, I would like to share with you all details of how we manage behaviour in school. As a school we aim to achieve high standards, promoting high expectations of behaviour, polite conduct and respecting the needs of others. All staff aim to create a school environment that promotes, enables and nourishes good behaviour and reflective choices. Positive relationships are promoted through everyone in school being kind, respectful, friendly and empathetic. Our school is dedicated to creating a happy, stimulating and supportive environment.

Within our school environment we strive to ensure that everyone feels safe and valued and is encouraged to develop emotionally, socially and academically. We recognise the important link between relationships and children's positive behaviour. Our school Christian values - Generosity, Respect, Agape, Courage and Empathy – also form and shape the character of the children in our school. These values are a core component of the ethos and culture of our school. Through these values we aim to deliver our school vision in 'Growing Happy, Caring Hearts and Minds'.

Rainbow Rules:

- We are kind, polite and helpful to others
- 2. We listen to others and follow what our grown ups ask us to do
- 3. We look after our school and belongings
- 4. We think about our actions and the feelings of others
 - 5. We try our best at all times
 - 6. We always tell the truth

Adults involved in the daily operation of the school are always expected to act as positive role models for the pupils. Staff will endeavour to be proactive rather than reactive in their management of behaviour. We promote and motivate children to take responsibility for their actions from a young age.

Rainbow Rules are used in all classes.

These are displayed in classes and across the school.

We recognise that sometimes children will not be able to regulate their behaviour and will need understanding and care to help them modify their behaviours. All behaviour is a means of communication, but children must develop responsibility for their actions. Where consequences are required, these are fair and applied consistently.







We use these behaviour management principles:

- We understand that children will sometimes need help to learn how to behave in a positive way, with good manners and respect.
- We believe in consequences (not punishment); consequences should be issued as soon as possible.
- Where possible, time should be spent with the child and dealt with in private, so the child does not feel shamed by their behaviour.

Our Positive Relationships and Behaviour Policy is available on our Data and Policies web page: https://www.wrpschool.org/_files/ugd/15d226_ff213b495ec645fd942812bccfbf8adf.pdf If you have any queries regarding this policy, please feel free to make contact via the school office.

Collective Worship:



This term we are warming up for the Summer Olympics by going back in time and revisiting some Olympic and Paralympic Games from the past. This week we have focused on the Olympic Value of 'Excellence' focusing on us all using our special talents.

Over the past two weeks our Collective Worship has been led by Year 1 (last week) and Year 5 (today) These children certainly showed off their talents with some fabulous singing, reading and drama.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs. E Jones

Key Dates for your Diary:



SATs w/c 13th May

Withy ParkRun Sunday 19th May: Phear Park

Half Term w/c 27th May : return <u>Tues</u> 4th June

Y6 Transition Tuesday 11th June
Sports Day Thursday 20th June

(timetable is on the Home Connect page)

Y6 Production Tuesday 25th June: Exmouth Pavilion

Y2 Escot Trip Friday 5th July

PTFA Withyfest Friday 12th July

Y6 Leaver's Service Tuesday 23rd July

Last day of term! Tuesday 23rd July

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. Tel: 01395 263397, email: admin@wrpschool.org

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Safeguarding

New Acceptable Use Agreement

Digital technologies have become integral to the lives of children and young people, both within schools and outside. These technologies are powerful tools which open up new opportunities for everyone. They can encourage discussion, promote creativity, and stimulate awareness of context to promote effective learning. **Young people should have an entitlement to safe access to digital technologies, both at school and at home.**

At Withycombe Primary School we've recently reviewed our online safety policy which is now in final draft form and will be published on our school website soon. An **Acceptable Use Agreement** for use of digital technology is integral to our new policy.

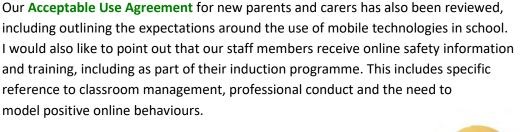
Our Acceptable Use Agreement is intended:

- to ensure that learners will have good access to devices and online content, be responsible users and stay safe while using digital technologies for educational, personal and recreational use.
- to help learners understand good online behaviours that they can use in school, but also outside school.
- to protect school devices and networks from accidental or deliberate misuse that could put the security of the systems and users at risk.

Acceptable use is reinforced across the school curriculum, with opportunities to discuss how to act within moral and legal boundaries online, with reference to the Computer Misuse Act 1990.

We want to help our learners to understand the need for an agreement, and encourage them to adopt safe and responsible use both within and outside school.

We intend to share our acceptable use agreement with all of our pupils during the week beginning 20th May. Class teachers will guide them through it, ensuring they understand how to use technologies safely, and where their own responsibilities lie. Pupils will then sign their own copy of the **Acceptable Use Agreement.**



If you would like to see the new **Acceptable Use Agreements** in advance (there are separate KS2 and KS1/EYFS versions), I will leave copies for your perusal in the school foyer during the week beginning 13th May.

As always, if you have any concerns, please contact me.

Mr Smith

Designated Safeguarding Lead



Wellbeing Update

Mental Health Awareness Week 13 – 19 May 2024

This year's theme is **Moving More For Mental Health.** Keeping active is crucial to helping improve our mental health and wellbeing. There are many simple ways to get your children moving more which can easily fit into everyday life!

Here are some top tips:

Everyday movement counts Find ways for your family to fit in being more active in your everyday lives.

Encourage children to have short movement breaks at home. Consider how you

get about as a family - could you walk, cycle or scooter more?

Make it fun Children will be more eager to take part in physical activity if they are doing

something they enjoy. Making it fun will not only support their mental wellbeing but help them have a positive attitude towards physical activity as they get

older.

Get with nature Not only to enjoy our beautiful green spaces or coastline, but to give our

children a break from technology!

Be a role model for your children If parents value keeping active, this will have a huge impact on children's desire

to do the same!

Moving together Being active with others helps build social skills

and self-esteem!

Place2Be (a mental health charity) has more information on how to get children moving more. For their 'Moving for Mental Health' Top Tips please visit our Wellbeing web page where we'll include a link.

Mrs Louise Jones Wellbeing TA

Year 1 As part of their art unit this term, Year 1 children have created some fantastic tree sculptures using brown paper. Don't they look amazing... and every one unique with its own character.







Sports and Achievements

If you have any news about sports or other achievements from outside of school that you'd like to share, please email a photo and brief explanation to admin@wrpschool.org. We aim to include everything we receive by Wednesday afternoon in that week's newsletter, and anything after that may be included the following week.

Jack won player of the tour! (Rugby tour with Exmouth town).

Also, when Jack was at the club house he noticed litter had been left from the night before, and he started clearning it up. Jack wasn't asked to do this, he just saw it needed doing and got on with it. His community spirit and good will was also recognised by the club.

Wow – how wonderful!



Cleft Lip Awareness Week by setting herself a challenge. Every year Delilah aims to achieve something she hasn't done before - some years she's raised over £1000, and other years she's kept it quiet and made her our own donations. This year Delilah aimed to swim 20 lengths of LEDs 25m pool - she actually managed 28 lengths and raised £92!

Delilah has raised money during



£92 will help 3 newborn babies with cleft lip/palates, and each family will receive a welcome pack that includes specialised feeding bottles. Delilah likes to set up challenges to help other children and raise money for them.







Charlotte from Avocet Class is much more comfortable in water than on land! Her swim squad have been completing their own challenge, which is to swim the south coast of England! Between 1st January and 30th April 2024 Charlotte has swum 275,081m, that's a whopping 171.4 miles, which takes her from Exmouth to Shoreham on Sea!



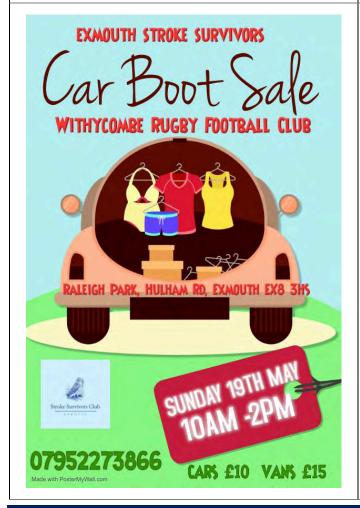




Deaf Awareness Week 2024 runs from 6th to 12th May and aims to increase awareness of the challenges faced by the deaf community, and educate others on how they can offer support. The theme for this year's Deaf Awareness Week is "Love and Trust." There are lots of resources available for people to learn more about this week here: https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKDEVONCC/bulletins/39a5354











Help Overcoming Problems Effectively § Free Course

- Supporting You To Manage Your Health & Wellbeing
 - Meet Other People With Shared Experiences

 Meeks
 - **3** Group Based Peer Support
 - **(3)** Empowering You To Make Changes

HOPE Course: Carers (including parent carers)

<u>Dates:</u> Tuesdays 4th June - 9th July <u>Times:</u> 10.00am - 12.30pm

Venue: Seachange, East Budleigh Road, Budleigh Salterton, EX9 6HF





Follow the QR code above to register your interest in this course or to express an interest in a topic for upcoming courses

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Or contact your East Devon HOPE coordinator Kate Harrison:
Email: hope.devon@nhs.net Phone: 01395 446896







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Exmouth Pride 2024

Saturday 22nd June 11am - 6:30pm at Manor Gardens

Programme now available!



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