

DULOE SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER



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We've kick started this half terms topic— *What are the impacts of mountains and rivers on life?* and as usual all the children have embraced this with great enthusiasm and are producing some wonderful work! We have planned trips to explore local places, and are developing skills such as map reading, data analysis, using a range of resources for research, reading and writing. Our Creative Days have started, and we have introduced this theme using an exciting range of media and resources. Each class is investigating the theme in a variety of ways covering different aspects of the curriculum appropriate to their age and ability, through ICT, music, collage, textiles and mosaics. We will be inviting parents along to our Celebration Afternoon where you will be able to see all their work displayed, and see a variety of performances.



A BIG THANKYOU to our wonderful **PTFA** who have fundraised throughout the year to give our children those little extra's which our budget cannot provide, including this year's pantomime trip to the Theatre Royal in Plymouth to see **SNOW WHITE!** We were delighted that so many family members joined their children, and for the first time our Pre-School came too! Our PTFA always need help and ideas, remember all parents are invited to each meeting, so please look out for the dates on our school board.

Our weekly sessions with the Plymouth Raiders Basketball team trainer is proving very popular in, and there was huge excitement when we were visited by three team members to talk about their roles. There was a lengthy answer and question session ending in a group photograph!



We're also hoping to arrange a family trip to watch a game—so watch this space!!



Our Netballers are going from strength to strength in the Hi-5 netball tournament at Looe Academy! So far we have had substantial wins and are so proud of our team—Well Done!! Thanks go to Mrs Hoskin for organizing and training the teams, and parents for their support and transporting the children.

Class 3's visit to the Junior Life Skills Centre recently provided vital lessons in Fire Safety, Railways, Electricity, Lifeguarding RNLI, and the dangers with Drugs and Alcohol. This is an annual event organised by the Emergency Services and Environmental Groups to reinforce the issues of Health and Safety in the home and the outdoor environment.

Future Plans - Duloe School

Please join us for an informal talk on **Tuesday 21 February at 2.30pm**, about the current situation in Cornwall about Academies, and discuss the possible plans for Duloe School.

Science—Class 3 took part in a new BBC science campaign **Terrific Scientific**, this Live Lesson helped our pupils think and work like a



scientist, with a focus on taste, nutrition, and the energy that food provides. We even made it on to BBC TV!!



Last Friday's **Business Fair** was a huge success, and raised the fantastic sum of **£110.00** towards our 'Buddy Bench'!!



It showed the entrepreneurial skills in all the children who participated with a range of innovative products for sale including Jewellery, cakes, puppets, plants, sweets, Indian headdresses and many more stalls!



Don't forget to visit our school website for up to date information—www.duloe.cornwall.sch.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 21 Feb • Future Plans—Duloe School
- 22 Feb • HI-5 Netball @ Looe Sports Hall
- 23 Feb • Class 1 & 2—Minions Trip
- 28 Feb • Looe Childrens Centre Event—we will have a stand promoting our Pre-School.
- 28 Feb • Class 1 & 2—Hessenford to Seaton Beach
- 1 March • Premises Committee Meeting—4.30
• Curriculum Committee Meeting—5.30
- 3 Mar • X—Country—Venue to be confirmed.
- 6 Mar • St Pirans Day in Looe Years 2 & 3 —10.15
- 10 Mar • Parents Celebration Afternoon— 1.30pm
- 13 Mar • Ed Buckingham—School Visit
- 14 Mar • Personnel Committee Meeting—5pm
• Finance Committee Meeting—5.30pm
- 15 Mar • Tag Rugby Taster Session— 3.45pm
- 17 Mar • Carnglaze Caverns—'Sound & Dance' Performance—details to follow.
- 20 Mar • Class 3—Moorland Day—'Sources to Sea'
- 21 Mar • Class 3—Canoe paddle from Lostwithiel to Fowey
- 21 Mar • Tag Rugby Competition—Looe Academy
- 24 Mar • Easter Egg Hunt & Bonnet Show
• Farmers Market in School Hall—2.30pm
- 27 Mar • Full Governors Meeting—6pm
- 28 Mar • Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra visiting school to do a String Concert.
- 30 Mar • Easter Service St Cubys Church—2pm

*Easter Holiday—Mon 3 April—Mon 17 April Inclusive.
Return to school Tuesday 18 April*

Don't forget our **Breakfast Club!**

It's open every week day morning from 8am until 8.40am—you don't need to book, just 'drop in' on the day! Supervised care including breakfast!

£3 per child, £1.50 thereafter per sibling.

Unless they are attending our Breakfast Club, please can we ask that children are not dropped at school before 8.40am - thank you.



School Dinner Money -

Please remember to place dinner money in a named envelope— not only will this simplify the 'rush' in the school office in the mornings, but more **importantly** ensures we allocate correctly the monies received against your child's dinner money account. The cost of a school meal is £2.30.

Always remember to notify the School Office of any changes to address, telephone and mobile numbers. It is vital that our records are up to date in the event that we have to contact a parent/carer.

Swimming starts Mon 20 Feb
Class 3



Our **After School Care** continues this Spring term. Families are regularly using this flexible childcare service, which offers a wide range of after school supervised activities and includes a light snack.

We can offer this care for just an hour or up until 6pm, Mon to Fri (term time only) on a regular basis or just occasionally—**places must be pre-booked.**



If you need further information including timings and charges please pop in and see Mrs Davies.

Duloe Pre-School is open 5 days a week (during term time). We offer **three to four year old funded care**, and fee

paying sessions the term before a child is three years old. For further information please speak to Mrs Davies in the School Office.

Under 5's Playgroup

Our **Baby/Toddler Group** meets every Thursday at 9.30-11.30—please spread the word!



Ed Buckingham 'One Cornishman—Seven Summits'

Ed Buckingham became the first Cornishman to climb the highest seven peaks from Kilimanjaro to Everest He has kindly agreed to come and talk to the whole school about this amazing achievement on Monday 13th March.

Read more about his achievements on www.onecornishman.com

