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Safer internet week: The children will be visiting ways to keep themselves safe online through lessons and assemblies, but do you, as parents, know who your children are in contact with when playing online through Xbox or PS4 platforms and when using a mobile phone/iPad? To find out how to be more aware and protect your children then visit- <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

Science workshop: All KS2 children came together to experience an exciting day of science at Parkham. Making rocket cars and slime were all part of the scientific enquiries on offer. The children threw themselves into all activities with great enthusiasm and integrated with their partner school very well.

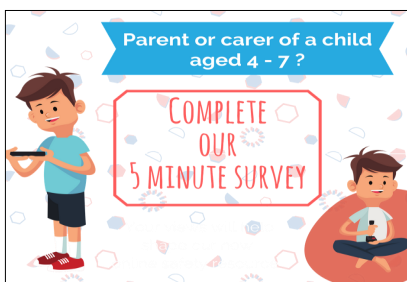
Parent Forums and Parent Teacher Progress Meetings: These are important opportunities for you to be more involved with your child's learning and school. The teacher meeting is a valuable discussion to find out about the progress your child is making and what their next steps are.

Parent Teacher meeting dates: Parkham—Wednesday March 7th, Buckland Brewer- Wednesday March 14th

Parent forums give you an opportunity to find out more about wider issue affecting the schools and to ask questions and contribute to school improvement.

Parent forum dates: Parkham 2.30 pm 12th March, Buckland 2.30pm 13th March

FOPS news: FOPS have been successful in gaining an £800 grant from our local Councillor which will go towards the development of the outside area. They are also investigating further grants from the Tucker Foundation and Torrridge District Council. Quiz night held last week was very well attended and raised about £400 Well done FOPS **Next Event: Film Night at Parkham- 9th FEB 5.45pm—7.45pm £3 includes film, sweet cone and a drink.**



[Parents - ThinkUKNow](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk) www.thinkuknow.co.uk Are you parent or carer of a child aged 4 - 7 years old? <p>Take our 5 minute survey! Thinkuknow are developing a new resource to help give children the skills to ...

FOBBS NEWS

Don't forget to get your return slips in for the 100 ball! Deadline is 21st February please hand them to Lucy Dignam or Laura Odell.

Cake sale in the play ground this **Friday 9th 3.30pm**

Film night this **Friday 9th 4.45pm** in the hall the movie is 'Emoji Movie' £3.50 includes tea, popcorn, fruit and drinks.

THE BIG FAMILY QUIZ!! 24th Feb 6pm grab your team together and book a table with Laura

Bags 2 School bags are will be coming out this week collection is 8th March from the front gate of school (if wet on Lucys Drive opposite under the shelter)

The Book Fairs at both schools were a huge success, thank you very much for your support..

It is looking as though we should get around £100 worth of books per class as a result. Great!!

Emails: If you are not receiving emails from the admin email address, please check your spam settings and add the admin email to your contact list.

Volunteers: Thank you to all who have offered their time and talents through our volunteer program. To be a volunteer means going through a safer recruitment process: completing an application form, DBS check and a short induction. We have now got a list of volunteers at Parkham and the list is nearly complete at Buckland. If you have volunteered you must have completed the DBS process before we can proceed. Volunteers are a very valuable resources for school and can help out in many ways: hearing child read, supporting craft and cookery, supervising on school trips and so on and being a school governor.



Dates

Parkham

Buckland Brewer

OFFICE HOURS:

Parkham: Mon—Thurs 8.45—3.45pm (please note there is no one in the office on Fridays)

Buckland Brewer: Mon—Fri 8.45— 12.15pm please avoid making requests when office is not manned.

If you need to telephone the school urgently and the office is not manned, please ring the partner school as hopefully they can get a message through.

Buckland TEL:01237 451315

Parkham TEL: 01237 451334

31st Jan - 7th Feb Book Fair- 3pm to 3.45pm

Last day of term: Fri 9 Feb

New term starts: Mon 19 Feb

26th Feb- Socrates workshops start till end of term

Thur 1 Mar-World Book Day celebrations

7th March Parent consultations

19th- 21st Y3/5 Forest School TBC

22nd March Usborne Book Fair

23rd March- Federation Sports Relief day

29th March Easter Celebration Assembly- 2pm

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16th April Summer Term Starts

Parent and Toddler- Stay and Play sessions- 6th Feb

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Milly Lane: School Caterer 07340710693 If it is necessary to make a change to a meal request please text between 7.30-9.30am. For general queries please telephone or text between 2-5.30pm

Term Dates

Spring Term: 2018 Thurs Jan 4th— Fri 29 March

Half Term: Mon 12 Feb—Fri 16 Feb

Half Term: Fri 25 May—Fri 1 June

Summer Term 2018: Tues 16th April—Thurs 26 July

Parkham- School gates will be opened by a member of staff at 8.45, children can start arriving to school from this time ready for the bell at 8.55am. Thank you

Attendance: Target: 97% Whole school:
Buckland: 97.06% Parkham: 96.74%

Falcons: 96.31% Ladybirds: 96.44%
Eagles: 98.13% Fireflies: 96.91%

Head Lice: we have been reasonably fortunate this year so far to have not had too many outbreaks of nits. This is down to your commitment to adopt a regular weekly wet combing routine and quick action if an unwelcome visitor is found on your child's head, also all children with long hair keeping it tide back during the school day.

Watch out for info about the Usborne sponsored reading event after half term.

Usborne Book Fair

Buckland Brewer-21st March

Parkham- 22nd March



Vicky Teague -
School Nurse

School Nursing
team

Torrington
children's Cen-
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Exciting playground news:

Buckland : A new adventure trial has been ordered to replace the one at Buckland Brewer as it is worn out. Mrs Howard and the lunch time team and all the children have contributed their ideas and are very excited about its installation which is planned to take place on 27th Feb.

Parkham: Plans for the grassy area to the font of the school are now being developed. Staff and children are busy sharing their ideas to make this a more forest school area with plenty of active learning opportunities