



### Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **PLEASE NO NUTS IN SCHOOL**

Due to some severe allergies in school we have been a **no nuts** school for some time now. We have children with allergies in both key stages so we need to be careful on the playground and in the dinner hall at all times.

Please check the packaging on snack bars for nut information. Items packaged in a factory that handles nuts is okay so long as actual nuts aren't part of the ingredient list. Thank you for your understanding on this matter.

### **What's happening this week and next**

Tempest photos were in yesterday to take individual photos. Please could they be back in by next Tuesday so that we can send them off before half term this will ensure they are back in good time for Christmas. There are a lot of sporting events taking place this week including a Tag Rugby festival at KEVICC yesterday and Friday.

### **Central Venue Football League**

Two teams played in the second fixture of the season. The players played with growing confidence and several goals were scored, which is fantastic to see! The next game of the season is on Wednesday 15th November, 4:00 - 5:30 at KEVICC.

### **Year 5 and 6 Quadkids**

Last Friday two teams attended the School Sports Partnership Quadkids competition at KEVICC, competing against other schools in the Partnership. The activities were standing jump, sprinting, the Howler throw and 600m. The A team finished in third place. Well done to all the athletes who competed.

### **Cross Country**

Wow, our best result ever, the year 5 and 6 team won the team event! All four girls finishing in top 11. Well done to all of the runners who took part in the cross country event at Haldon, many taking part for the first time.

### **Years 1 and 2 trips to Fowlescombe Farm**

We are still waiting for quite a few permissions and payments. A reminder of the dates for your class:-

Lime Tree class Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October

Beech Tree Class – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Willow Tree Class – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November

### **Nasal Flu Vaccination – Next Thursday**

The immunisation team will be here on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October administering the Nasal Flu vaccination. We have been informed that there are a few problems with the link. If possible please use the link on a tablet or computer. Only use the link that we sent you. If you cannot find your GP practice in the list then please leave this blank. If you live in a new build property and are having problems with the address when filling in the form just add the postcode without the house number and enter manually using link “my address does not appear in the list”.

There are paper copies available. The deadline has been extended to tomorrow.

### **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October (last day of term) we are having a ‘Be Happy’ Mufti Day**

The Reading Dog Projects first fundraising idea has been thought of by Willow, Lime and Beech classes but will be open to the whole school. Children can wear the clothes they feel happiest in and bring a toy or teddy that makes them feel happy and comforted. Donations towards our Reading Dog Project will be very much valued and if we are quick and raise enough funds we could have our own reading dog in the new year.

### **PTA News**

We have been donated a selection of Joanna Martins Bronze Hares. So we are holding a ‘Lucky Square’ competition where you can get the chance to win one. Each square costs £1.00 and you will be entered into the draw. The draw will hopefully take place before half term. The Hares are on display in the staff room window, they really are beautiful. We have a first and second prize on offer. Squares will be on sale after school.



### **Thursday Bakes**

Thank you to Chestnut and Flame for baking last week. Tomorrow is the turn of Acorns and Ginkgo to bake, please can your cake donation be given to Rebecca at reception or to your child’s class teacher in the morning. Cakes will be on sale from 3.10pm. We are always desperate for helpers with the cake sale, if you can offer half an hour of your time, please let us know. Maybe you can help when it’s your child’s class to bake?

### **Children's School Disco**

We will be holding a Children's Halloween Disco in the School Hall on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October. Posters will be going up around school this week. Timings are as follows:

Reception, Year 1 & 2 at 4.15pm-5.15pm

Years 3 & 4 at 5.45pm-6.45pm

Years 5 & 6 at 7.00pm-8.00pm

Entry is £2.50 which includes drinks and a biscuit. Fancy dress is optional, nothing too spooky please!

All proceeds go to the School PTA. We will need volunteers to ensure this event can go ahead, so if you can help please email Rachel Gillespie [gatesrachel@hotmail.com](mailto:gatesrachel@hotmail.com) or speak to Kellie Bishop or Jenni Rowe.

**Praise assemblies**

Praise assembly this week is Ginkgo Tree class on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 2.45pm. Next week's praise assembly is Chestnut Tree class at 2.45pm.

Kind regards

Hilary Priest

**Friday at Totnes Library**

Come to the library for a fundraising afternoon of tea, cake and activities! Have some yummy cake and do some crafts to raise money for the library on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October from 2:30pm. The library would love any donated cakes to sell at the event, so please bring them along! Libraries Unlimited is a registered charity. Every penny raised goes directly towards library services that help make a difference to people's lives and communities.