



## Summer Term Newsletter No.4



We are proud to have won a “Healthy School of the Year” award for ‘demonstrating an exceptional drive towards becoming a healthy school by improving pupils’ physical, emotional and mental wellbeing in the past year’. Being healthy and active is an important part of our school

day; our children participate in the Golden Mile, we encourage active play at break times and have coaches in at lunchtime to deliver quality games and have a range of extra-curricular sports clubs before and after school. We also attend many local sports competitions to give children the opportunity to try new sports and children represent our school in team competitions.



Thursday 17th May is our Royal Feast! Please encourage your child to join in the fun and have a school meal on this day. There will be 50 lucky plates giving the children chance to win a small commemorative gift of the day.

Thank you for the donations of outgrown wellies—the PTA are going to buy us a Welly Store so the children can access the spare wellies if they wish to go into the Orchard. We are always happy to receive more wellies so next time you are having a clear out please think of us!

Today we say a sad farewell to Miss Strange who works in our After School Club. She is moving on to a new childcare job in Torbay Hospital which she is very excited about. Our children will definitely miss her and we wish her the best of luck and thank her for her hard work over the last few years.

### We are very proud of this week’s Star Pupils!



Ash— Poppy is an excellent listener and a responsible member of our class. She tries her best in all she does.

Charlie is so enthusiastic and always actively involved in his learning, sharing his ideas and having a go!

Elm— Poppy shows interest in her learning and she is a particularly keen and willing reader and writer.

Lokklyn is being very grown up and responsible, listening to adults.

Beech — Bethany shows respect to her friends, grown ups and the classroom all the time!

Pine — Dylan is so creative and gives 100% when singing, dancing or taking part in music lessons.

Apple — Elsie gives 100% even when tasks are tricky, remaining positive and happy even when ‘in the pit’.

Oak — Teddy has shown great concentration and effort in his reading and music this week. Well done!

Birch — Lily has impressed us with her outstanding ‘time’ work this week! Excellent knowledge, Lily!

Rowan — Tjay has shown dedication, determination and tried hard in all he has done this week.

Cherry — James B, Charlie and Matthew delivered a brilliant student assembly this week including some delicious biscuits!

Maple — Aliyah and Marlena are aspirational and supporting others to sign the alphabet. #DeafAwareness

Holly — Kasha’s effort to improve her handwriting and the presentation of her work has really paid off!

Willow — Zachary tries incredibly hard in his literacy and has written a great newspaper report.

Hawthorn — Daniella has shown amazing focus and enthusiasm in the run up to SATS.

Hazel — Jack R has made an excellent effort and shown great improvement in arithmetic.

### Diary Date Reminders:

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May to Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May Y6 SATs week. **Please remember to return your reply slip for SATS breakfast. This is a great way for the children to come in to school and relax with their friends before the tests—no time to feel nervous!**

Monday 14th May—Willow swimming lessons.

Thursday 17th May—A Royal Feast! A special school dinner to celebrate the royal wedding.

### Upcoming PTA events:

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May - PTA film night for Y3, 4, 5 and 6. Letter coming home soon.

Friday 25th May—Non uniform Day—Bring a Bottle



Attendance Award  
Congratulations to  
Pine Class  
for winning the School  
Attendance Award with  
99.7% attendance.

The whole school achieved 96%  
attendance. Well done everyone!  
Keep it Up.

## The Great Plastic Pick Up

We have managed to organise this event with the support of Torbay Council and Tor2 and hope you are able to give some of your time to join us. We will meet at school for 9:30am this Saturday (12th May) and split into groups collecting rubbish from different roads around the local area. We will meet back at school by 10:30am— hopefully with bags full of rubbish!



Health and Safety is important so all children must be accompanied by a family member. They must have gloves to protect their fingers and please make sure your child does not pick up broken glass or other sharp litter. We can provide high viz tabards to make sure they are clearly seen as they walk with you around the pavements. Hopefully we will have a few litter pickers provided by Tor2 too.

We really hope you will be able to join us for this hour—even if you can only do the first half hour it will all help. It is so important that the younger generation get involved in projects like this so they can help protect the planet for their future. Thank you!

**Talking of plastic....!** We have signed up to be part of the “Flora and Fauna of Ocombe Sculpture Trail 2018”. The aim of this trail is to raise awareness of plastic pollution and involves creating a sculpture made from plastic that represents some of the animals and flowers found at Ocombe Farm. Our children will be working on some sculptures over the next few weeks and we will choose one to go on the trail. We really need your help to gather the right sorts of plastics for us to be creative with. Please wash and send in any of the following items to your child’s class to help us get started:

- Plastic bottle tops (any colour, any size)
- Plastic carrier bags
- Plastic Bottles
- Milk cartons
- Unwanted CDs or DVDs (preferably without labels but any would be good)

### Year 6 SATS.

The children have an important week ahead of them so please make sure they have a relaxing, fun weekend and lots of early nights. We will do all we can to minimise any worries they may have and hope they will join their friends for a breakfast on Monday to Thursday. If your child is ill please call the school as early as possible to let us know. We know they will do their very best and have been exceptionally proud of how they have prepared themselves for these tests. Good luck, everyone!

*Learning today to achieve our tomorrows.*