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**Certificates**

In our assembly this week certificates were awarded to:

Emma-Grace Shapland, Nick Watt, Amy Dunbavin, Charlotte Rawlinson, Gracie Weston, Max Stevenson, Keeley Drew, Tristan Eve and Henry Luffman.

Well done to you all we are very proud of you.

**Happy Birthday!**

Laura Hughes, Hannah MacBryde  
and  
Darcy Bruton

**Notices**

**Mealtime Assistant Vacancy**

We have a vacancy for a mealtime assistant to work four days for 1 hour per day, Tuesday to Friday. If you are interested please contact the school office for an application form.

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**A Message from Mrs Denham**

**Tag rugby** Our yr 5/6 tag rugby team came third out of Barnstaple schools in the tag rugby tournament on Thursday. They have qualified for the North Devon finals which takes place in a few weeks time as they were the top team from the Pilton feeder schools.

**Quicksticks:** A massive well done to the children who represented the school at the Quicksticks Hockey tournament on Tuesday. They did extremely well considering having little experience of the sport. One team finished 3rd in their group and the other finished 2nd, progressing to the semi finals. They then narrowly missed out on the final, losing 1-0. So proud of you all.

**Sports Relief :** Next Friday, the 18th March, we will be celebrating Sports Relief by having a Creative House Group Day. The children will be taking part in a range of physical activities including the Sport Relief Mile around the field. If children would like to raise sponsorship money for completing the mile, a sponsorship form has been sent home last week. Also, children may come into school dressed as a famous sportsman/woman if they wish along with a £1 which will be going to Mr Day's London Marathon Charity (Children with Cancer). Sports Relief wrist bands will be on sale for a £1 from this Monday.

**Notices**

**Code Club** with Mr Pettifer will be cancelled on Monday 14th March.

**Class Bray** Harry Stevenson has lost his school shoes, please can you check that your child hasn't taken them home by mistake.

**Inspirational Assembly 6:** A big thank you to Sharon Dapling who came in on Wednesday to talk to the children about her Accountancy business. It was a very interesting and fun assembly with the children even dealing in chocolate coins. We look now forward to Jonny Steve Shapland's visit next week.

**Mr Day's Charity Quiz in aid of Children with Cancer UK.** Tickets still available for tomorrow. If you haven't got a team, just turn up and make one.



## Our P.T.A

Coffee Morning last Friday morning: it was lovely to see so many people at the first of the all new PTA school and community coffee mornings and the event was enjoyed by all. Watch this space to find out when the next one will be held...

Forthcoming events.....

**Easter Fun Day:** will be held on the afternoon of Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2.00pm-5.00pm. We urgently need donations of **LOTS** of Easter Eggs so please add another one to your shopping list to make our Easter Egg Hunt a success. Last year we ran out of eggs!

**Clothing Bags:** These will be coming home to you shortly. Please fill them with any unwanted clothes and bring them back into school for collection on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March.

**Table Top Sale:** Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April in the village hall held in conjunction with the monthly Farmers' Market so should attract plenty of customers. Table hire is cost £5 and all proceeds will go to the PTA. Please contact Frances (07751454906 or [francesruthmortlock@gmail.com](mailto:francesruthmortlock@gmail.com) ) if you would like to hire a table.

**PTA Minutes:** If you are interested in finding out what the PTA are doing, copies of the mcFrances via email [francesruthmortlock@gmail.com](mailto:francesruthmortlock@gmail.com) and your email address can be added to our list so that you receive all PTA minutes in future.

We are always looking for more people to get involved in the PTA so please contact Debby [debbersnell@gmail.com](mailto:debbersnell@gmail.com) or 01598 710556 if you can help.



### PRE-SCHOOL

This week we had a wonderful surprise from Karen Childerley who donated a huge container of wooden train track, bridges, trains, trucks and accessories. This has proved to be a popular addition to the setting with boys and girls alike and we are all very grateful to her. We have also spent time looking at signs of spring and some pretty daffodils and flowers have been created for our display board. Easter will soon be upon us and the children will soon be making some tasty treats to enjoy.

Pre-School is open between 8am and 5pm Monday – Friday and accepts Early Years Funding, where 3/4yr olds can access 15 hours of childcare a week. We are also an approved setting to accept 2gether funding for 2yr olds. For further information or if you would like to arrange a visit, please contact us on 01598 710019 or email us at:- [preschoolbf@gmail.com](mailto:preschoolbf@gmail.com)

### BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

We meet every Wednesday between 9.30am and 11.30am in the Village Hall.

The group caters for babies and toddlers from birth to 5 years, allowing them to play, enjoy new sounds and make new friends. Children can enjoy a variety of activities, story time, craft and sing-along. This is a brilliant way for parents and carers to meet and for starting to socialise your baby or toddler. For further information, please contact Bratton Fleming Pre-School on 01598 710019.



### Friday Klub

Next Friday (18th) the Friday club is doing a 'life swap' for its members where the children can be sponsored to take part in a 'basic/ non technology night' to raise money to help support children affected by Ebola, to help support them in their journey to achieve a secure home and school life. Children do not have to be sponsored and can still attend as normal. The sponsorship will go through a UK charity called Street Child. The Friday Klub is closed on 25th march, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9th of April for Easter but open as normal after the Easter holidays.

**The Easter Experience, Palm Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March, Arlington Court, 2.30pm** Join us as we experience Holy Week together through drama, reflections and activities for all ages. As well as the drama, which is led by our Open the Book teams, we'll be taking part in a Bible verse hunt, Easter garden making, and other activities to help us think about Easter. There will also be a real life donkey! Entrance to Arlington Court grounds is free to all coming for this event. The National Trust tea rooms are open for refreshments, although squash and biscuits will be available in the church. Please join us if you can. For more details or offers of help, please speak to Rev. Rosie 01598 711962.

## Charity Quiz Night

### Supporting Children with Cancer UK.

Hosted by Luke Day, who is running the 2016 Virgin London Marathon.

WHERE: Tawstock Village Hall

WHEN: Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March

Doors open 7pm for a 7.30 start.

ENTRY: £8 per person (including food)

Please contact Luke: 07528572646 to book your ticket.

A maximum of 6 players per team. Beer, cider & soft drinks available or bring your own drink.

### EASTER TEA PARTY

at

Bratton Fleming Pre-school 2pm to 4pm on Monday 21st March

Activities to include

Face painting, Tombola, Raffle

Refreshments will be served

Please support this fundraiser to help raise funds for a dear friend diagnosed with terminal cancer