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**Certificates**

In our assembly this week certificates were awarded to:

Joe Symons, Liam Dickson, Damian Webb-Tibbetts, Hannah Comer, Conor Kellaway, Jake Greening, Lilly Pierce, Rosana Williams, Tilly Rhodes, Callum Potter, Alex Tucker, Billie-Jean Sanders and Joe Hughes.

Lexie Wilson received her first book track certificate

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

**Happy Birthday!**



Rosana Williams and Rian Bawden

**Class Tax Fundraiser!** Throughout the day on Friday 26th May, Class Tax will be washing cars in the village hall car park in aid of their trip to Air Extreme as a reward for the amount of miles they have ran this year (at the moment they are on course to reach 5000 miles!) If anyone would like their car washed, please see Mr Day to book it in.

There will also be a cake sale at the end of the day; any donations of cakes would be much appreciated.

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**A Message from Mrs Denham**

We have been alerted that there have been a couple of very near misses on the road outside school between pupils and cars reversing and travelling too fast. Please, please, please can you take extra care and be patient whilst children are leaving the school.

Can we also remind parents that NO parents should park around the back of school (by the staff car park) unless they have asked and have special permission to do so. This area gets very busy with staff cars, mini buses and the taxi.

We hope you have noticed the lovely new school banners around the village (thank you Mr. Day). We are trying to increase pupil numbers in the school because our school budget, which comes out each April, depends on how many pupils we have in school the October before. As you can read from the attachments to this newsletter, budgets in schools are desperate. We have had to make so many cutbacks and 2018/19 will be even worse. We have had to strip all out spending to the bare minimum which means fewer resources for your pupils, less training for staff, cutbacks to staffing and so on. So if you know any child who needs a school place please point them in our direction! Thank you

We hope you also received your letter inviting you to the Ventrus Multi Academy Trust (MAT) consultation evening at Ashleigh School on Wednesday May 24th 2017 at 6pm. Can you please let us know if you are planning to attend so numbers can be catered for. Many thanks

**Letters re eschools** Today an envelope with the logging on details to our **eschools platform** for every parent has been sent home. If you log on you should be able to see the area for your child's class. Some teachers have even set homework on this. We are in the early stages of using the platform but we hope to include letters to go home, dates, parent conference sign up and so on to make your life easier. There is also an app for mobile phones. At the moment there isn't too much on each area, but please have a look. We will be using it more and more in coming weeks.

Well done to all the children who competed at the Ilfracombe Aquathon. They all did amazingly and should be very proud of their achievements.

**Notices**

The school would be very grateful, if any one would be interested in sponsoring the purchase of medals for sports day. Please see Mrs Gosling if interested.

**Trips** Please ensure that your child has everything they need for school trips, as informed in the letters sent home. Also it is vital that you keep your child's medical details up-to-date.



## Our P.T.A

**Club 59** Congratulations to Melissa Sloman who won £26.50 with number 52. There are still a few numbers available if anyone would like to join in.

### **Cake and Second Hand Uniform Sale**

Thursday 25th May - 3.15pm.

Any donations of cakes or school uniform greatly appreciated. Or if you can lend a hand on the stall please speak to Melissa.

### **Summer Fayre - Fri 7th July 3.15 - 5.00**

Country and Western Theme.

We need helpers for setting up, running stalls etc. We would also be grateful for donations of wrapped sweets and tombola prizes please.

### **Dates for your Diary**

Next Meeting - Fri 9th June 2pm



### **PRE-SCHOOL**

We have still spent some time each day in our outside play areas even though the weather has turned to be wet and windy. Our mud kitchen is still really popular especially as they now have sand to mix, cook and bake with at the moment. The children have been finding out the changes that can happen to water. They loved how the fruit juices and pieces of fruit turned into ice lollies to enjoy in the sunshine last week as well as investigating domes of ice that had hidden toys in them.

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 glued fluffy white clouds onto blue skies this week, simple but the kids loved it. We meet in the Village Hall between 9.30am and 11.30am every Wednesday and welcome babies and toddlers from birth to 5 years. Children can enjoy free play, story time, craft activities and sing-along. For further information, please contact Bratton Fleming Pre-School on [01598 710019](tel:01598710019)

### **BRATTON FLEMING SPORTS CLUB:**

**Saturday 27th May** back by popular demand and playing live 3 Pint Rule with support act Brieya May 8.45pm

**Saturday 17th June** Quiz/Curry Night 7pm prompt, £5 per person (includes a curry supper) Teams of 4-6 to book a table please contact Annie on 07855878166

**Saturday 1st July** Mid-Summer Mayhem!! PopUp Night Club returns \* FREE Admission \* Kids Glow Party 6.30pm-8pm Adults 9pm-1am BBQ

**Saturday 8th July** Live Band - The Garden Club 9pm

We have the following sports and facilities available: Football, Cricket, Pool, Skittles, Tennis, Table Tennis, Snooker and a function room available for hire. We are open Monday-Thursday 5.30pm-

11pm Friday, Saturday and Sunday 5pm-11pm (Friday Happy Hour 5pm-7pm!!) Open earlier when sporting activities are on. Membership prices £15 per family (with a max 2 adults any number of under 16s)

£7.50 per adult, £3 per junior (under 16s). Membership runs from 1st November each year. For further information pop into the club or call: [01598 710865](tel:01598710865) or Annie [07855878166](tel:07855878166). Also find us on facebook.

**KIDS FOOTBALL:** every Monday 6pm-7pm at Bratton Fleming Sports Club football pitch for ages 5-13yrs please wear shin pads! you can find us on facebook for further updates!

**THE KABIN:** (situated in the Sports Club car park) We hire out this wonderful space for children's birthday parties, band practice, village groups, all at very reasonable rates, for hire contact Annie on [07855878166](tel:07855878166) LIKE us on FACEBOOK (The Kabin)

**Friday Klub** - Youth Club is open again TONIGHT FREE OF CHARGE and again on the following Fridays: 9th & 23rd June, 7th & 21st July 6pm-8pm for ages 7-15yrs at the Kabin.



## Education Question Time

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June Pilton Community College, Chaddiford Lane, EX31 1RB, Barnstaple, North Devon 7 PM – 9 PM**

Come and hear from our local electoral candidates, school heads and campaign leaders on the issue of education funding

Ask questions about the candidates policies and air your own view on the topic

Share your experience as a teacher/ parent/ young person affected by the issue

Sir Nick Harvey (Lib Dem) and Mark Cann (Labour) confirmed to attend on panel. Louise Miller-Marshall (head of Pilton Community College) confirmed to speak. Awaiting confirmation of other attendees.

Refreshments available. All welcome.



## School's Out Picnic!

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May Braunton Rec Ground from 3pm**

It's the end of term. Let's have fun together and show our support for local schools!

Fair Funding For All Schools Devon is organising a gathering so we can make our voices heard against education cuts

Come and join children and parents from the whole area at a picnic on the Rec Ground, Braunton. Entrances on both Wrafton Road and Exeter Road.

There will be music, entertainment and fun activities for children to celebrate the last day of term. 3pm onwards on the Rec Ground, Braunton

Parking available: Wrafton Road and the Car Park opposite Squires on Exeter Road

**LEANNE FOSTER FITNESS TRAINER** Ladies fitness and toning classes now running at the Kabin. Every Tuesday and Sunday @ 7pm-7.45pm. Booking essential as spaces are limited and the classes have become extremely popular. 45 minute class £5 per class. Please contact Leanne on [07789995048](tel:07789995048)/01598710016 or email [leannefosterfitness@gmail.com](mailto:leannefosterfitness@gmail.com)

**LIFE DRAWING GROUP** the group are back again next Thursday 25th May at The Kabin 7.30-9pm at £6 a session (no obligation to attend every week) then on Thursday 1st June we are meeting on Barricane Beach, Woolacombe for a curry and outdoor drawing and then on Thursday 8th June we have artist and teacher Rebecca Cohen joining us for some tuition, this session will run from 7pm-9pm @ £8. The normal weekly sessions are a self taught session you just turn up and draw. We are a friendly group of mixed ages and abilities, materials available if you would like to give Life Drawing a go. Further info contact Louise [07758077089](tel:07758077089) email: [brattonfleminglifedrawing@gmail.com](mailto:brattonfleminglifedrawing@gmail.com) or join our Facebook (Bratton Fleming Life Drawing Group) [www.brattonfleminglifedrawing.wordpress.com](http://www.brattonfleminglifedrawing.wordpress.com)