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Certificates

In our assembly this week certificates were awarded to:

Will Austen, Blake Miller, Riley Kift, Alex Wilkinson, Peaches Forster, Daisy Haydon, Kacie Foster, Oliver Kingdon
and
Finley Youssif

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

Happy Birthday!

Saffron Corriveau
and
Lily Wyatt Kemp

Friday 11th May 2018

Newsletter: 30

A Message from Mrs Denham

Next week is the Y6 SAT's week and they will be taking reading, maths and grammar, punctuation and spelling tests during this time. All our Y6 pupils should be very proud of themselves for all their hard work and their positive attitude to their learning. They are well prepared for the tests and have nothing to worry about. We've talked about them having good night's sleep this weekend and a good breakfast every morning next week! Good luck!

The following week our Year 2 SAT'S will take place.

P4C

The key questions this week where - do we rely on technology too much and could we survive without it? The children mind mapped ideas around technology before discussing the questions.

Notices

KS 1 Cookery club on Monday Please bring in a container to take home your baking.

Class Lyn - Letter and Homework

Class Lyn have been given science homework today which will be due in on Friday 18th. The children need to find materials around their homes and list the properties of each one, e.g. hard, rough, shiny, transparent.

Class Lyn have also been sent home with a letter about the Year 2 SATs which will be taking place the last week of term.



PRE-SCHOOL

A shorter week at Pre-School this week as we have enjoyed a sunny Bank Holiday on Monday. We have continued to enjoy the dry weather using the kitchen outside and building a garage for our cars. We have continued our sizing and measuring but used our hands this week, making lots of prints throughout the setting. Next week we will start getting ready for the Royal Wedding!

Pre-School is open between 8am and 5pm, Monday to Friday. We accept Early Years Funding where 3/4yr olds can access 15 hours of childcare a week. From September 2017, we are also offering the 30 hour free childcare entitlement where you can access an additional 15hrs funding a week. We are also an approved setting to accept 2 year old funding for 2yr olds. For further information or to arrange a visit, please contact us on 01598 710019.

Barnstaple Library

Saturday 26 May 10-12 Elmer Day– Join us to celebrate Elmer with crafts, games & drop in FREE fun! Dress up in your brightest colours & join the Elmer parade! Suitable for any age. Fun for all the family-Grown ups welcome too!

Tuesday 29 May & Thursday 31 May 10-12- FabLab is in the library foyer!

Join us for hands on fun with the FabLab in the library! Come and find out more at these drop in FREE sessions. Suitable for any age. Grown ups welcome too!



Bratton Fleming Traffic Calming Action Group

If, like me, you are concerned about the speed that traffic passes through Bratton Fleming, then read on.....

I live on the main road and regularly walk along the road with either my grand-daughter or my dog or both. I am horrified by the speed of cars passing very close to me and fear that it is only a matter of time before there is an accident with horrendous consequences. I think that this problem has got worse and with the change of location of the village shop, the natural chicane that parked cars outside the old village shop created has now disappeared, allowing traffic to drive past that point on the road faster than previously. Perhaps the only thing that slows traffic down is the potholes in the road!

One of the major reasons why the main road is so dangerous is the lack of continuous pavement. For a pedestrian walking from one end of the village to the other, it is necessary to cross the road many times to remain on a pavement; however there are several stretches where there is no pavement and although parked cars help slow the traffic down in places, they also force pedestrians to walk in the road. I am not prepared to wait until a road accident makes people sit up and take notice. I would like to propose a village group to look into these issues and to campaign for safer roads in Bratton Fleming. I am particularly interested in two traffic calming measures:

Speed Watch Campaign

Physical traffic calming measures such as widening pavements (or creating pavements where they don't exist) thus narrowing the road for vehicles creating a need to slow down.

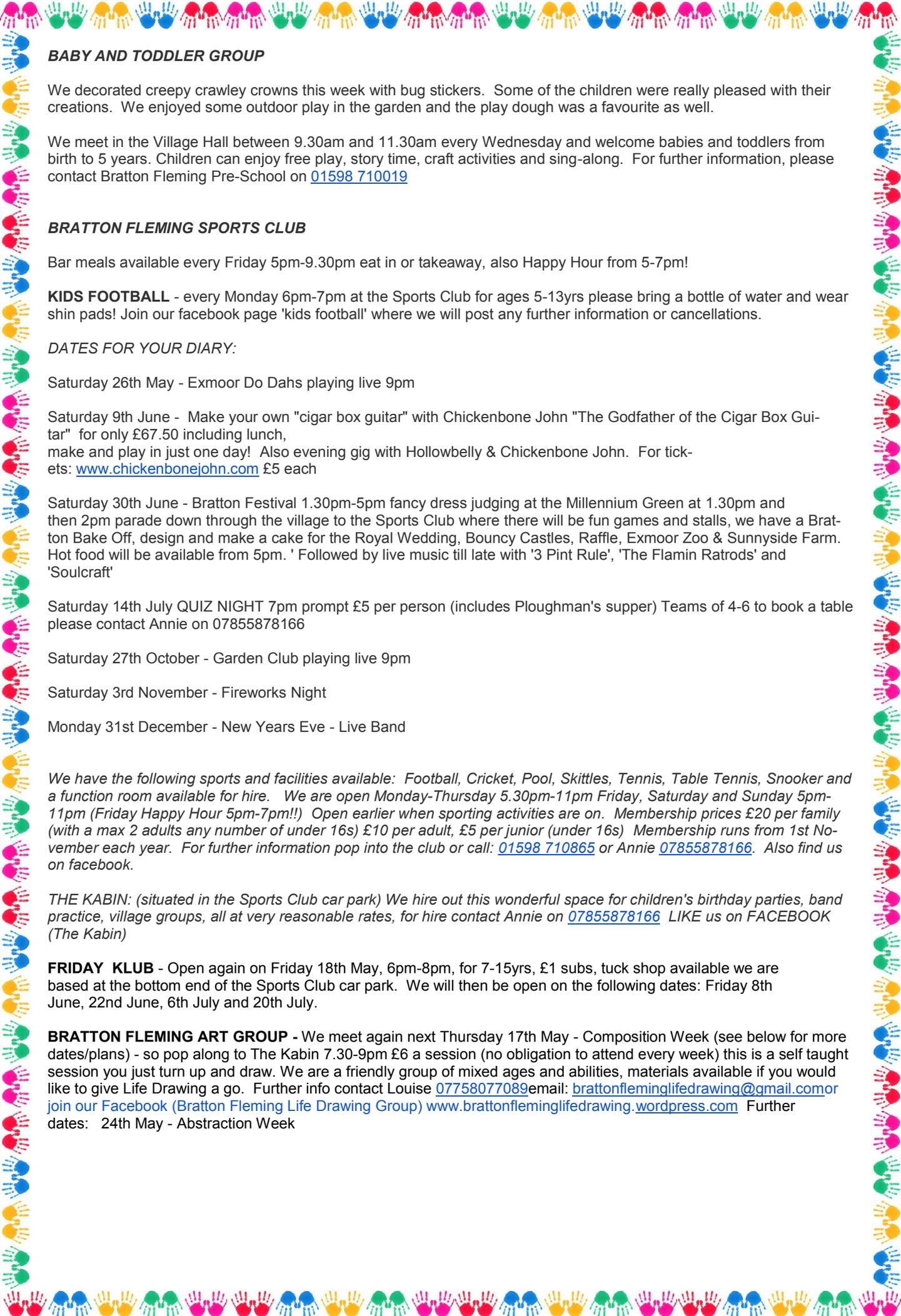
With regards to the Speed Watch campaign, I have had initial contact with the local police who would support this initiative and provide necessary training and equipment, provided a minimum of 6 people were prepared to offer their time. There is no minimum time required to get a scheme like this up and running (it could be as little as one hour a year) but obviously it would be most effective if there were more than 6 people and that they were able to be involved perhaps once a fortnight for a couple of hours. The data we would collect through the speed gun gets transferred directly to the police who can then caution and if necessary prosecute repeat offenders, so our work would not be wasted. However, the major benefit to such a scheme would be the publicity this would bring to our campaign to reduce speeding through Bratton Fleming.

With regards to physical measures, this would have to involve the district county council. I have spoken with the clerk of our Parish Council (Terry Squire) to find out what has been attempted before and he is very happy for individuals to attempt to get progress on this but obviously we would need to keep the Parish Council informed. I have various ideas about what we might propose, but I am very keen to hear other villagers' views on this issue, as it would be pointless suggesting something that other people would resist. For example, I can't think of anything worse than the council installing sleeping policemen (Road bumps) as I think we would all hate this.

If you share my concerns about the safety of our children, grand-children, pets and all residents of Bratton Fleming, please make contact with me to let me know your thoughts and if you are prepared to get involved in some way. Email is probably the best way of initiating contact but I'm happy for you to get in touch whichever way suits you best. Once I have heard from a few people, perhaps we can meet to discuss these issues?

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BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

We decorated creepy crawley crowns this week with bug stickers. Some of the children were really pleased with their creations. We enjoyed some outdoor play in the garden and the play dough was a favourite as well.

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

Bar meals available every Friday 5pm-9.30pm eat in or takeaway, also Happy Hour from 5-7pm!

KIDS FOOTBALL - every Monday 6pm-7pm at the Sports Club for ages 5-13yrs please bring a bottle of water and wear shin pads! Join our facebook page 'kids football' where we will post any further information or cancellations.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Saturday 26th May - Exmoor Do Dahs playing live 9pm

Saturday 9th June - Make your own "cigar box guitar" with Chickenbone John "The Godfather of the Cigar Box Guitar" for only £67.50 including lunch, make and play in just one day! Also evening gig with Hollowbelly & Chickenbone John. For tickets: www.chickenbonejohn.com £5 each

Saturday 30th June - Bratton Festival 1.30pm-5pm fancy dress judging at the Millennium Green at 1.30pm and then 2pm parade down through the village to the Sports Club where there will be fun games and stalls, we have a Bratton Bake Off, design and make a cake for the Royal Wedding, Bouncy Castles, Raffle, Exmoor Zoo & Sunnyside Farm. Hot food will be available from 5pm. ' Followed by live music till late with '3 Pint Rule', 'The Flamin Ratrods' and 'Soulcraft'

Saturday 14th July QUIZ NIGHT 7pm prompt £5 per person (includes Ploughman's supper) Teams of 4-6 to book a table please contact Annie on 07855878166

Saturday 27th October - Garden Club playing live 9pm

Saturday 3rd November - Fireworks Night

Monday 31st December - New Years Eve - Live Band

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 £20 per family (with a max 2 adults any number of under 16s) £10 per adult, £5 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.

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 - Open again on Friday 18th May, 6pm-8pm, for 7-15yrs, £1 subs, tuck shop available we are based at the bottom end of the Sports Club car park. We will then be open on the following dates: Friday 8th June, 22nd June, 6th July and 20th July.

BRATTON FLEMING ART GROUP - We meet again next Thursday 17th May - Composition Week (see below for more dates/plans) - so pop along to The Kabin 7.30-9pm £6 a session (no obligation to attend every week) this is 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 or join our Facebook (Bratton Fleming Life Drawing Group) www.brattonfleminglifedrawing.wordpress.com Further dates: 24th May - Abstraction Week