

Northam Schools' Federation Newsletter.



FRIDAY 23RD JULY 2021

“TO LEARN EVERY DAY, TO HELP EACH OTHER AND TO BE HAPPY”.

Headteacher Update

Summer Holiday Activities and Food Programme

It may be of interest to note that there may be the opportunity for your family to take part in the *Holiday Activities and Food Programme* which offers a wide range of activities and nutritious food for children and young people over the summer break. Places on the scheme are available for free to children aged from 5 to 16 who receive benefit-related free school meals, but some of the activities may also be open to other children whose families wish to pay for them to take part, if there are enough places. More information, including a list of activities, via this DCC website: www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/family-support/haf-programme

Unused vouchers Families who received a voucher code for the May half-term holidays but haven't redeemed it yet are invited to get their supermarket vouchers via Black Hawk's 'Select' website by Sunday 1 August 2021 before it expires.

The free school meals team are here to support you, so if you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate get in touch with them on 01392 383829 or by emailing freeschoolmeals@devon.gov.uk.

Departing staff

This week we have expressed our thanks to the following staff who are leaving the Federation and moving on to pastures new: Mrs Parkhouse, Mrs Eggleton, Mrs Sturton, Miss Smith, we wish them every happiness in the future. Thank you colleagues.

.....and finally

I would like to express my most sincere thanks to you, the parental community. Your constant support throughout a year which has presented us all with so many challenges is greatly appreciated. I really hope that the coming weeks provide you with some quality time together with you families and friends.

Kindest regards, Jim Williams

SCHOOL JUMPERS

Both schools have nearly run out of jumpers now and both have large orders placed with our supplier. Please bear with us as we know the supplier is having a problem with receiving stock from the manufacturer. Both school offices will be open on 6th and 7th September for you to purchase jumpers.

ROSEMOOR

Rosemoor have two events for families over the summer holidays. All bookings are online.

Vintage Weekend—31st July & 1st August where there will be a vintage and classic car display.

Alice in Wonderland—July 24th—5th September.

In addition for littlies they have weekly

"Welly Walks" and "Bug Hunts" for under 5's.

TORRIDGESIDE SWIMMING CLUB

Torridgeside Amateur Swimming Club will shortly be re-starting trial swimming sessions. If you are interested in your child joining please contact Amanda (club treasurer) at treasurer@torridgesideswimming.co.uk. You will need to give details of the swimmer's name and date of birth in order for them to join a suitable trial session.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Go wild for reading with the Summer Reading Challenge! Visit your local library this summer to take part in the Wild World Heroes Summer Reading Challenge. This year The Reading Agency has partnered with WWF to create an exciting challenge which will inspire children to take action for nature and the environment. Join the Wild World Heroes for an exciting adventure in the fictional town of

'Wilderville'. Through reading books, collecting rewards and learning all about our planet, Challenge participants will help the Heroes make Wilderville a greener place to live. With stickers to collect and plenty of brilliant books to enjoy, the Challenge is the perfect summer activity to build young readers' skills and confidence during the long break from school. Children who manage to read 6 or more books will earn a special medal and certificate. Wild World Heroes launches on Saturday 10th July and runs until Friday 10th September 2021.

END OF TERM

Term ends today. Children return to school on Wednesday 8th September 2021. Monday and Tuesday 6th and 7th September are staff training days. Please check the school websites for information on the menu for the first day back nearer the time. **We hope you all have a wonderful holiday.**

KEY DATES

Summer Holiday: Monday 26th July 2021
Non Pupil Days: 6th and 7th September 2021
Return to School: 8th September 2021

CONTACT US!
01237 473569.

admin@st-margarets-junior.devon.sch.uk
www.st-margarets-junior.devon.sch.uk

CONTACT US!
01237 477262.

admin@st-georges-infants.devon.sch.uk
www.st-georges-infants.devon.sch.uk