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**Weekly News
16th March 2018**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Some parents have expressed that they would like to know more about school improvement and how well the school is now performing. I am in the process of setting up a meeting for parents in the next few weeks. A representative from Plymouth CAST will also be at the meeting to answer any questions so please keep an eye out for the date if you would be interested in attending. We are also expecting a further monitoring visit from HMI any day now and as soon as I have feedback from this visit I will share it with you. The purpose of the visit is to see how well the school is progressing against the objectives set in the last full inspection. The report will also be published and available to all.

I am sad to tell you that Sam Hill - our THRIVE practitioner - will be leaving us at the end of term as she is moving on to a new post as Outreach worker for the Chestnut centre - CONGRATULATIONS Sam! She is a great loss to the school and in the short time that I have been here, can see how much she contributes to the positive ethos of the school - she will be greatly missed. A new member of staff will however be THRIVE trained next term so that we can continue offering this fantastic provision in the school and alternative arrangements will be made for the office in the mornings.

I had a meeting with the PTA this week - it is great to see such a creative and enthusiastic team of people dedicated to the school. Look out for some exciting events coming up in the next few months!

Best Wishes
Mrs Harding

Our Garden area

Your child will be sent home with a letter today informing you of a new garden area we hope to develop. Please donate if you can: please get family and friends involved.

To donate, click on the link below. Thank you.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/olota-karencurtis?utm_id=2&utm_term=vaxABwgxd

Bikeability Holiday Courses

Torbay Council and Two Wheels Tuition will once again be running their hugely popular cycling sessions in the Easter Holidays at Torbay Velopark week commencing Monday 9th April.

Bikeability Level 1 (Monday 9 -11 am) - £6

Learn to Ride sessions will be from Monday-Thursday. A two hour session with only two trainees to an instructor. The majority of children are riding independently at the end of a session. - £10

Both these courses are available to children from age 6 upwards.

These sessions are subsidised by Torbay Council and the places go quickly so please book early. Course information is available by email only from twowheelstuition@yahoo.co.uk

School Meals

If your child has an appointment and will be late in to school please ensure that you have ordered a school meal online or contact the office to let us know your child's choices before 10.00 a.m. so that the kitchen can provide a meal. Thank you.

Stars of the Week

Star Pupil

Class R Luke
Class 1 Sofia
Class 2 Mia
Class 3 Kaydee
Class 4 George
Class 5 Samuel
Class 6 Mia

Star Writer

Class R Zenna
Class 1 Finlay
Class 2 Elesha
Class 3 Nyah
Class 4 Anthony
Class 5 Ocean
Class 6 James T

Star Mathematician

Class R Arthur
Class 1 Oliwier P
Class 2 Sean T
Class 3 Sophia
Class 4 Bella
Class 5 Ryhanah
Class 6 Luke
Well done to them all.

School Attendance

Last week **Class 1** topped the table with 100%. Our school average was 95.4%. Our school target has been set at 96%.

Classes who win this trophy five times are rewarded with some form of class treat!!

If your child is sick please ring on the first day of absence and every other day thereafter. As part of our safeguarding duty we will try to contact you. If we cannot speak with you we ask South West Family Values to call at your address.

We do require evidence of all medical appointments.

If you bring your child in to school outside of the registration periods you MUST come to the office to sign them in to school.

PTA Diary Dates

29th March Disco FS/KS1 4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.
KS2 6.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.

23rd April Non Uniform – wear red - £1 donation

8th June Non Uniform – bring a Father's Day Gift

15th June Bring £1 to buy a Father's Day Gift

22nd June Non Uniform – Tombola donations

29th June Summer Fayre

Torquay United Children's Disability

Football Fun Day – Easter

Tuesday 10th April 1.00 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.
Torquay Academy Astro Pitch, Torquay, TQ2 7NU

Football fun day for children aged 6 – 16 years with additional needs and disabilities.

Please contact Ashley Harris to register for further details:

Email: ashley.harris@devonfa.com

Phone: 07912089838

Diary Dates

20th March Class 2 / 5 to Mass at Holy Angels
20th March 2.45 p.m. Open Classroom - Class 1 and 2

21st March 2.45 p.m. Open Classroom - Class 5
22nd - 27th March Book Fair

22nd March 2.45 p.m. Open Classroom - Class R and 4

23rd March 2.30 p.m. Open Classroom – Class 6
2.45 p.m. Open Classroom – Class 3

27th March Class 1 / 6 to Mass at Holy Angels

Clubs

CLUB	DAY / TIME
Art Club KS1	Monday and Thursday- lunchtime
Chess Club KS2	Tuesday lunchtime
'Green Tree' Award Class 2 only	Tuesday lunchtime
TUFITC Football club Class 3, 4, 5 and 6	Tuesday 3.15 – 4.15 p.m.
Mindfulness Colouring KS2	Wednesday lunchtime
Film Club KS1	Wednesday lunchtime
Civic Award Class 6	Wednesday lunchtime
Premier Sports Fitness to music All ages 21/2 – 28/3	Wednesday 3.15 – 4.15 pm Chargeable
Origami KS2	Thursday lunchtime Every other week
Acting up Club	Thursday 3.15 – 4.15 pm
Premier Sports Fencing/archery Yr R, 1, 2 and 3	Thursday 3.15 – 4.15 p.m.
Website Editing Club Class 5 and 6	Friday lunchtime
TUFITC Handball All ages	Friday 3.15 – 4.15 p.m.

