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Weekly Newsletter No 26

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Easter break. It's been lovely to see the children return with smiles on their faces and plenty of energy for the term ahead. There was particular excitement on the first day back from our Reception to Year 3 children, who headed off to swimming with great enthusiasm!

This term, our school value is Truthfulness, and the Collective Worship Crew will be leading some thoughtful assemblies to help us all reflect on what it means to be honest and trustworthy in our words and actions.

A big thank you to Mrs Nicholls and Ashley for painting the fencing at the front of the school over the break. It's now proudly in our school colours and looks very smart as you walk up to the building—what a welcoming first impression!

Looking forward to a great term ahead.

Warm Regards

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Gary Tucker Headteacher

Beacon

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school after the Easter break.

We have enjoyed thinking back to last half term and our school trip to Westonzoyland and the Battle of Sedgemoor and we are going to write to the lovely volunteers there in the form of a Trip Advisor review to thank them for their time and excellent knowledge. Year 6 are working hard on their SATs prep and Year 5 are working hard on their fractions knowledge with Mr. Tucker. China is our topic focus for this half term, looking specifically at the geography of the country.

Looking forward to an exciting half term ahead.



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What a lovely first week we have had starting our new learning journeys.

This week, we have read the book, 'Balam and Lluvia's House' in English. It is a non-rhyming narrative poem written by Guatamalan author Julio Serrano Echeverria. We recited parts of the poem using difference actions and intonation to aid the listeners' understanding. We also recreated a few stanzas from the book to enhance the reader's experience and understanding. We looked at a range of poems by other authors and considered how the layout of the words, the font and the images support the reader's understanding of the poems.

In Maths, we have been busy representing square numbers using counters and squared paper. We can clearly see how two equal factors create a product that is a square number.

In Geography we are exploring Europe with a focus on Italy. It was really fun learning about the flags of the European countries!

In Art we have begun a learning sequence about Leonardo Da Vinci. Look out for photos of our artwork in the upcoming newsletters!



<u>Triscombe</u>

Welcome back to school! We hope you all had a lovely, restful half term. It's been fantastic to see the children return full of energy and enthusiasm, ready to embrace the new term ahead.

I've been so impressed with the children's positive attitudes and the wonderful work they've produced already this week. We've dived straight into our new topic on **Royalty and Castles**, and the children have absolutely loved getting involved in the role-play and small-world activities. Their creativity and imagination have brought the topic to life!

We've also begun exploring our key text this term — **Rapunzel** — and the children have shown great curiosity and excitement as we start to unpick the story together.

A special mention goes to everyone for their **perseverance and resilience in swimming** this week — it's been truly inspiring to see how determined and excited the children have been in the pool.

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Triscombe Pictures



Preschool

This week we have been settling back into preschool life. The children have shared with us some of the exciting things they did during the half term break - caravan holidays, trips to the beach to dig big holes, a visit to an aquarium, going to parks with friends, museum trips and seeing grandparents.

The children have enjoyed playing colour board games this week - a colour matching teapot game and colour bingo. We have been out on the school field picking wildflowers to make perfumes and potions with and listened to our phonics book, 'All through the night'. We then talked about the important jobs that are done whilst we sleep, such as being a policeman, working in a hospital or stacking the shelves in a supermarket to ensure there is food to buy when we go shopping. We also asked the children what they thought me and Ashley did for a job - "Giving us our lunchboxes", "Giving us drinks", "Playing with cars" and "Snacking and stamping" were amongst the answers!

We held our stay and play session on Wednesday. It was lovely to share the experience with our parents. The children made some lovely crafts and enjoyed a mini Easter egg hunt.



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'Grow in the Grace and Knowledge.'



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Wraparound Timings

A polite reminder, please could you pick up your child/children at the designated times of 4.30pm or 5.45pm only. Some days there is only one member of staff who will be cooking a hot meal, looking after the children and going to answer the door at different times. As you can imagine this can be quite challenging. If you need to pick your child/children up earlier than the designated time, please could you call the school office before 3.30pm.

We thank you in advance for your co-operation.



Attendance Alligator Winner This Week:



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Punctuality Panda Winner This Week:



Important Dates

Monday 5th May: Wednesday 7th May: Monday 12th May-Thursday 15th May: Monday 26th May: Tuesday 27th May-Friday 30th May: Monday 3rd June:

Bank Holiday Class Photo Day KS2 SATs Bank Holiday Half Term Inset Day

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