



# Stogursey C of E Primary & Pre-School

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## Weekly Newsletter No 36

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Hello Everyone,

### Beacon

Such excitement in Beacon class this week! Backstage Crew have been busy bees making BRILLIANT props for the school production. 150+ coins, a treasure chest, medallions, barrels and a safe later, the crew are happily covered in paint (so sorry parents and carers!) and have been working TIRELESSLY to ensure the cast have EVERYTHING they need to deliver a stunning, SUBERB pirate adventure! We can't wait to see it! "Miss Mold is very proud of us because we have been focussed and sensible and we've have finished lots of props," beamed Casey C, "...and we have had LOTS of fun along the way."

There's a hint that the Highwayman poem children have been exploring continues to deliver intrigue and inspiration! Beacon class are writing their own poems, to an EXCEPTIONAL standard - some of which may make their way to these very pages next week....

In Maths, Year 6s are studying coordinates and Year 5, adding decimals together and turning them into fractions.

"It's pretty fun, sometimes it can be a bit hard, but we just ask for help and the teacher helps us," said Casey C.

Georgina added, "We've been doing assessment in maths, and I really enjoyed the greater depth sheets."

PE has been a lot of FUN! On Tuesday's Years 4,5, and 6s play cricket together, and on Fridays children take part in relay races and rounders or crounder, which is a fun variation of rounders that switches up the usual rules and uses a tennis bat.

If that's not enough, children reported that they can't wait until Transition Day!!!! This allows children to explore and prepare for their exciting next stage of their schooling, be it at Stogursey School or further afield.



### Alfoxton

The school were lucky to be gifted some butterfly eggs from Dr Ashley Morton. Alfoxton class were fortunate to share these with Triscombe class. At first all we could see were tiny white specks and nothing much appeared to be happening. However, as time has passed, these tiny white spots have hatched and begun to chomp their way through their food – cress. The more they eat the bigger they become and now, the first thing everyone does is look to see how big the caterpillars have become. The one thing we were not expecting was quite so much caterpillar poo! There are tiny black dots all over the netted tunnel. The children love to see which ones are moving and how much they have changed. We are anticipating the next change. Hopefully, within the next couple of days they will begin to form their chrysalis thus beginning the final and most miraculous change from caterpillar to butterfly. There are rumours that Triscombe already have a chrysalis..... We will keep you informed of the imminent changes!



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## Triscombe

A scientific focus in Triscombe's learning over the past week, with some practical investigations...

Where seeds come from were explored and children investigated a range of fruit, including mango, passion fruit, tomato, cashew, watermelon and pomegranate. We talked about how some fruit contains seeds that we eat, such as passion fruit, pomegranate and tomato. This was followed by going outside and planting some seeds.

We have also been exploring materials, finding out which materials can be twisted, bent, stretched and squashed and discussing which properties make each material good for certain uses.



## Little Acorns Pre-School

Little Acorns Annual Summer Trip – Photos tell a thousand words. We had a wonderful day and did not stop. A bus journey to Watchet with our kind thanks yet again to Somerset Passenger Solution (SPS), looking at the boats in the marina followed by our steam train trip to Dunster (this was so exciting). A long walk to Dunster beach down a country lane through a working farm (an adventure in itself). Picnic on the beach, collecting shells, burying ourselves in the sand on the fantastic Dunster beach followed by a delicious vanilla ice cream – then back on the coach for our journey home – excited and just a little bit tired. What an adventure – a brilliant day full of experiences and adventures.



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## Adventurers

Wow! So much activity in Adventurers this week! Beacon took their electricity topic outside. We made devices to sense the presence of creatures coming through the hedge or approaching a garden box. The field was alive with the sound of buzzers going off. One group in particular really used their imagination and created an ingenious device which included a trip wire which pulled on a metal switch in a tree. Great stuff!!

Alfoxton and Triscombe worked together to cook Ma'amoul - a type of Middle Eastern cookie with dates and walnuts in the middle. They were delicious and the children were very proud and pleased with their creations!

While they were in the oven cooking, the children went outside to identify trees using a key.

On Monday we will be replacing Adventurers with play rehearsal. Please could help your children to learn their lines as they will not have their scripts at all next week.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents who, week-in week-out, turn up to support the staff and children with Adventurers. Without you we simply couldn't do our activities.

If you have a couple of hours to spare on a Monday afternoon, we would welcome your support in the new academic year.



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## Sports Day

Due to the industrial action on 7<sup>th</sup> July, Sports Day will now go ahead on 14<sup>th</sup> July. All are welcome to attend. We will start on the school field at 9am.



## Pirates of the Curry Bean

Tickets for our upcoming school production Pirates of the Curry Bean are now available from the school office costing 50p each. There will be two performances, on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm. Performances will take place in the Victory Hall. It is sure to be a dazzling and delightful evening!



## Important Dates

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July:

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July:

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> July:

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July:**

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July:

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July:

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July:

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July:

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July:

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Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July:

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July:

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Kilve Court Trip

Secondary Transition Day

Brymore Transition Day

**NO SPORTS DAY due to industrial action**

Year 6 Leavers Trip

School Production (village hall) start 2.00pm

Move up morning (Reception-Year 5)

School Production (village hall) start 6.00pm

Sports Day (weather dependant)

Reports to Parents

Alfoxton Science Day

Leavers Church Service 2.00-3.00pm

End of school year



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