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Spring Term Newsletter No.03

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the third newsletter of this term; the last one for the first half of term.

Playground inspections have taken place across both schools recently. These have been commissioned by the trust to ensure that equipment the children play on is safe, secure and fit for purpose. Unfortunately, there has been some equipment from Webber's that has needed to be removed from site because of its age and the level of wear and tear. The new Chief Financial Officer for Alumnis has secured £7,000 of funding to go towards replacing some of the equipment and we have representatives from different companies visiting after the half-term break to discuss the possibilities.

Next week, children in year 1 from both schools have the opportunity to attend a multi-skills development session at Uffculme school. These sessions are run by the "Sport Leaders" at Uffculme, who are overseen by Uffculme school staff. During the afternoon, children will practise a range of different skills and develop **confidence**, **determination** and some **critical thinking** too. Children are being transported to the event by minibus; please collect your child from Uffculme school.

Next week also sees the highly anticipated Swimming Gala at Tiverton Pool. Burlescombe & Webber's have joined forces this year, to field the strongest team of swimmers across both schools. Again, children will be transported to the event – please collect your child from the pool, if they are taking part. Thank you to children who have **volunteered** to take part.

We have had a case of chickenpox in Burlescombe and three cases in Webber's. Chickenpox is an airborne disease which spreads easily from one person to the next through the coughs and sneezes of an infected person. The incubation period is 10–21 days, after which the characteristic rash appears. Please keep your child at home and stay away from school, nursery or work until all the spots have formed a scab. This is usually 5 days after the spots appeared.

Open the Book, volunteers from the Sampford Peverell Team Mission Community (SPTMC), return to both schools next week to deliver another live-action Collective Worship bringing the Bible to life for children. These sessions are always interactive, educational and good fun! I would like to thank the Open the Book team for the time, care and effort they dedicate to enriching the educational experiences of our children.

SPTMC will be advertising a new post at the end of February – School/Church Link Worker. The person appointed will focus almost entirely on being a support in the schools and will continue the excellent work carried-out by the much missed Robin Budgell. If you, or anyone you know are interested in this important position, the advert will be in the next edition of this newsletter, after half-term.

At Burlescombe, please can I remind everyone that our neighbours in the lane next to school have repeatedly asked for people not to park in the lane when dropping off, or waiting to collect a child from school. I also have to ask you not to park in front of the school gates to drop off or collect a child from school, or to jump the school gate, or lift your child over if it is locked. Thank you.

In these challenging financial times, if you have had a change of circumstance and may be eligible for free school meals, whether your child is in EYFS, KS1 or KS2, do please talk to our admin team, who will be able to help.

Lastly, the format of the newsletter will be changing after half-term, with each class contributing a small amount about each of the four Cornerstones of our Curriculum, so do have a look out for that next time.

Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you in school next week.

Kind regards,

Mr. Roffey

Head Teacher

#### [Communications sent out this week](#)

Yr1 Multi-Skills at Uffculme School – both schools  
Yr 4/5/6 CVSA Swimming Gala – selected squad both schools  
Industrial Action Letter – both schools  
Residential Payment Reminder – both schools

This week's **TEAM POINT** winners are  
**WEBBER'S: TBC**  
**BURLESCOMBE: HERONS and SWANS**



**STARS OF THE WEEK**

WEBBER'S		BURLESCOMBE	
Class 1	Albert	Acorns	Georgina
Year 2	Harry		
Class 2	Poppy	Squirrels	Aleesa
Class 3	Isobel	Oaks	Jack D

**Diary Dates**

Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Uffculme School	Yr1 Multi-Skills event 1.30pm – 3pm.
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Webber's	CVSA Yr3/4/5/6 Swimming Gala - Tiverton Pool - Time TBC
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Both schools	Rail Safety Talk – Years 5/6
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Webber's	KS2 Swimming at Tiverton Pool
	Burlescombe	Non-uniform Day – donations for PTFA Easter Bingo or £1
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February</b>		
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Uffculme School	Yr4 Tennis Red Team Competition
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Webber's	KS2 Swimming at Tiverton Pool
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Both Schools	World Book Day
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Webber's	KS2 Swimming at Tiverton Pool

**CHILDREN'S CORNER**

**Class 1**

In class 1 over the past 2 weeks, we have been writing recounts using our Talk for Writing approach. Last week, we went on an Antarctic adventure where we ducked under precariously hanging icicles, trudged through icy snow and saw penguins huddling to keep warm. We also saw orcas hunting for seals and wrote all about our adventure.



This week, we went on a school adventure where we played in the playground, made a train, crept quietly to observe black birds pecking for worms before waving to Class 3 on our return to class. The children have done some wonderful writing. Well done Class 1!



### Class 2

Class 2 have enjoyed exploring the work of William Morris in art and have been looking at repeated patterns and nature-inspired designs. We immersed ourselves in an opportunity to use clay and tools to manipulate and explore the properties of the clay, investigating how it can be modelled and moulded to create our own item. We are working towards creating a block print design which we will use to generate a repeated patterned piece of work, in the style of William Morris. The children have all demonstrated patience and creativity during this sometimes fiddly and delicate task!



### Class 3

Class 3 have immersed themselves in their 'Frozen Kingdoms' topic and are showing a great interest and enjoyment with their learning. It is wonderful to be able to link our English learning to the topic through our class text 'First Light' by Rebecca Stead and also make links in art learning about Inuit printing and sculpting. The children have really enjoyed using their Chromebooks to research the polar regions and many have been keen to share project work that they have been completing at home: extending their learning and sharing facts and ideas with others in the class. Our class display looks wonderful; the children used new techniques in art to create a polar picture including their favourite polar animal (see the pictures in the children's corner). Keep up the hard work Class 3!



## Acorns

We have had a very busy few weeks in Acorns! Reception has been creating a story all about a penguin using the 'Mighty Writer'. The children then took it in turns to be 'inspiring speakers' by retelling the story to their peers. They have also been partitioning numbers and working really hard on some new mathematical vocabulary. We have also been 'inspiring performers' in Acorns. The key stage 1 children have been inspired by our African animals music sessions and performed various rhythmic patterns on a range of instruments.



## Squirrels

Children in Squirrels class have been studying different types of poetry. Recently, they have been composing original ballads, using rhythm and rhyme to narrate a story and they will all perform their ballad to the class as part of our Inspiring Speaker enrichment journey.



## Oaks

Oaks class have been immersing themselves in the new world of learning enriched by their Chromebooks. They have been creating beautiful pieces of artwork related to their topic Frozen Kingdoms and are writing their own fiction story too with a focus on descriptive characters and settings. ☺



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February Half Term Holiday Club 

 13th - 17th February

Love Around the World 

- Outdoor Adventure Days
- Campfire Cooking
- Day Trips
- Arts & Crafts
- Sports
- .... and much more

Book your space now!

0800 - 1600  
0800 - 1800

Lunches included

Suitable for all School aged Children between 4 & 11 years old.



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Baby and Children's Nearly New Sales

**Little Monsters Market**  
offer that all important bargain by selling quality, nearly new maternity and children's items at a fraction of their original cost.

**Local craft stalls** provide you with the opportunity to find something a bit different like unique baby keepsakes or a treat for yourself!

**Local business stalls** bring useful products and information for parents about local baby/children's groups and family focussed services.

**Promote Your Business**  
We encourage local craft and business stalls at our events to give parents as much variety as possible.

If your business or service is parent, child or family focused this is a perfect opportunity to access your target audience!

Visit our website to find out more about the promotional packages we have available.

**Book Your Own Stall**  
Sell your outgrown children's items and keep 100% of your stall profits!

We provide:

- A specially selected indoor venue (covered by public liability insurance)
- Plenty of selling space
- A helpful sellers pack (with hints & tips of how to make the most of your day)
- Extensive advertising

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Baby and Children's Nearly New Sales

Find a huge selection of quality baby and children's items including clothes, toys and equipment at our

**Nearly New Sale**

**Moorhayes Community Centre**  
Lea Road, Tiverton EX16 6SU

**Sunday 5th March 2023**  
10am - 12pm



Adult Entry Only £2  
Children FREE

**Book Your Own Stall**  
Sell your outgrown children's items and keep 100% of your stall profits!  
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**MID DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**STAND FOR ELECTION**

Nominations are open from  
01 March - 01 April

**Attend our Prospective Councillor event at Phoenix House, Tiverton**

**Tuesday 7 February**  
**4pm to 7pm**

Pre booked appointments at Phoenix House, or via Teams, between 4-6pm

Drop in session 6pm-7pm

Contact [elections@middevon.gov.uk](mailto:elections@middevon.gov.uk) to book a slot or to find out more

**Members can influence:**

- The strategic direction of the Council
- The level of the Council Tax
- Improvements in services
- Enhance public's perception of the Council

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[www.middevon.gov.uk/2023-elections](http://www.middevon.gov.uk/2023-elections)

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**PREMIER EDUCATION  
TAUNTON HOLIDAY  
CAMP**

**Wednesday 15th February 2023  
COTFORD ST LUKE PRIMARY SCHOOL  
TA4 1HZ**

**A RUNNING CLUB MORNING**



**Information of the morning:**

**Lead Coach-** Ben Tull, our activity professional, will be leading our running club morning. Ben runs the Watchet Whippets Running Club and competes in a lot of local running events. Ben also competes as part of the British Duathlon team.

**What's the plan-** The morning will consist of a lot of different running activities where children will be able to compete against each other! The children will also learn about correct running techniques and learn how to pace themselves during longer distance races.



**£12.00**

Please bring lots of soft drinks!  
This club will be outside please wear casual clothes/sports kit.

**9:30am-  
12:30pm**

**How to book:**

Online- [www.premier-education.com](http://www.premier-education.com)  
Call Andrew- 07776 108281



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**PREMIER EDUCATION  
HOLIDAY CAMP**

**Cotford St Luke Primary School  
TA4 1HZ  
Wednesday 15th February 2023**

**FOOTBALL ACTIVITY DAY**



**What we will get up to:**

**Football skills-** Working Individually or in pairs you will learn skills from the coaches. They will help you learn and improve!

**Football drills-** Children will be split into groups and start practising their skills whilst also moving with the ball.

**Mini games-** Children will use their skills in game like situations before playing against each other in the afternoon in teams.

**Football tournament-** Children will be put into various teams where they will compete in a round robin tournament!



**£20 ALL  
DAY!**

Please bring your own lunch & lots of non fizzy drink.

**Childcare vouchers accepted**

Please wear casual/sports clothes.

**9:30am-  
3:30pm**

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**PREMIER EDUCATION  
TAUNTON HOLIDAY  
CAMPS**

**Tuesday 14th and Thursday 16th February 2023  
Venue: Cotford St Luke Primary School  
Time: 9:30am- 3:30pm Price £20.00 each day**

**What we'll be getting up to...**

**Tuesday 14th February: Gymnastics-** Spend the day learning new gymnastic techniques from our amazing qualified gymnastic coaches.

They will support you doing new rolls, balances and stands. Enjoy making routines in pairs and small groups which will be presented later in the day. Try out all the school equipment!



**Childcare vouchers accepted**



**The fun doesn't stop there...**

**Thursday 15th February: Taekwondo, Nerf and Dodgeball-** Patterns, hand attacks, blocks and self defence are just a handful of taekwondo techniques children will learn from our coach Sharon. Sharon is a level 3 in taekwondo and her club recently won gold and silver at the National Taekwondo Poomsae championships!

The children won't just be coming home as little ninjas from the day. They'll also have an afternoon of our famous nerf and dodgeball games! Where they will make unbreakable forts and work hard as a team!



**Please wear sports/casual clothes, bring a packed lunch and soft drinks.**

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