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**\*Remember to book your child's school dinners for the coming week\***

## **Newsletter**

### **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

Dear parents/carers,

It has been so wonderful to have all our children back at school this week, the school was full of children, engaging with their learning and excited to be back in their classrooms. It was so lovely to see their smiling faces as they had the opportunity to catch up with friends that they had not seen for a long time.

Staff have been so impressed with how quickly the children have settled into a routine and structure to the day. Behaviour has been fantastic, and the children have been sharing ideas and collaborating together in small groups to complete learning tasks.

We are continuing to use our pre-recorded lessons with the children which will be posted in our class dojo sites. This will enable all children to access their learning even if for some reason they need to stay at home. As lessons have been pre-recorded, staff are able to work alongside children in smaller groups. We have also taken the opportunity to move the support of staff around within the school, with Mrs Quick now based in class 1 and Mrs Walter working alongside class 2 children. Mr Thomas will also be in school every day up to the Easter break, enabling us to have more members of staff working with smaller groups.

Please remember to log into your new Arbor account (our new parent portal) so that we can set up our Parents Consultation days for the 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> of March. We are hoping to make appointment slots available by Wednesday of next week, so all parents will need to have logged in, in order to book their appointment slots.

Hope you have a great weekend,  
Mrs Cook



### **Arbor MIS System**

This week the 'Arbor Parent Portal' has gone live. You will have received an email invite containing your login details. If you have not had this yet, please contact the office. Once you have completed your initial login, you can then download and access Arbor by using their APP. To access your child's information, click their picture or name and it will open their details up.

Arbor is replacing SIMS Parent Lite and will for now just be used for parents to update their child's details/consents and for booking Parent Consultation slots. It is important that all parents have logged in and have access to the system, as you will need it to book your next meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> March.

### **School Gateway**

We will continue to use School Gateway for everything as before. However, over the next couple of weeks, you may notice that 2 Northlew Primary accounts will appear, one of which will contain no information. Please just ignore this second account as it's all part of the migration to run School Gateway through Arbor and is only temporary.

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### **Yr 5&6 Local Residential 2021**

As you are aware, last year we had to cancel the residentials to Bristol and Heatree. We are very keen that the children do not miss out on this opportunity for a second year running, especially as so many activities have had to be cancelled due to coronavirus.

With that in mind, we have put together a really exciting package for the children. We would like to run a 2 day "local" residential in the last few weeks of July. The children would sleep in tents on the school site at Northlew. They would then have two days of activities: river gorge scrambling, rock climbing on Dartmoor, cycling, archery, orienteering and a low ropes adventure. Activities, food, tents and transport are all included. Already we have been able to source funding to keep the cost as low as possible. It will be in the region of £80, but we may be able to reduce this further.

Unfortunately, the children will still not be able to meet up and build relationships with children from other schools, however, they will be able to enjoy this event with their classmates remaining within their school bubbles.

We feel it is important to give the children the chance to create significant positive memories in a difficult year.

**If you would like your child/children to take part, could you please tick the authorisation box in School Gateway by the 17th of March.**

## Support Staff Job Outline

<b>Position Title</b>	<b>Catering Assistant</b>
<b>Location</b>	Northlew and Ashbury Church of England Primary School
<b>Reporting to</b>	Head of School
<b>Job Term</b>	Permanent / Part Time
<b>Hours</b>	380 hours per annum (10 hours per week, term time)
<b>Work Pattern</b>	Monday to Friday 11.30am – 1.30pm
<b>Grade</b>	Grade A
<b>Organisation</b>	The Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust
<b>Effective date of JD</b>	19 <sup>th</sup> April 2021 (or as soon thereafter as possible)

For more information on our Catering Assistant job vacancy, please visit  
<https://www.dartmoormat.org.uk/job-vacancies.html>



### **Tuck Shop Returns**

Our tuck shop will return on Wednesday at 3pm (ran by our school council members) and every Wednesday thereafter until further notice. Sweets and chocolate bars will be available for sale ranging from 20p-50p each. Due to our stock levels, we will need to limit purchases to a maximum of 2 items per child.

### **Toilet Roll Competition Winners**

Well done to all our children for their toilet roll book entries and to Laila and Suzie who were extremely creative in their toilet roll creations.



## Red Nose Day



Next Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March we will once again be supporting Red Nose Day. Our School Council have planned activities throughout the day for the children which include...



- **Non uniform/fun colourful theme** (£1 donation)
- **Bad hair day and odd socks**
- **Bring joke books into school**
- **Cake sale** (please get baking and send your bakes in with your child on the day)



**19 MARCH 2021**

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## Spiritual Area

A huge thank you to everyone who has donated materials for the spiritual area. The generosity and support from the public has been fantastic and we have been able to gather seeds, plants, carpet, bird houses, paint and some gnomes made especially for the children. The children have done an amazing job at clearing out the brambles and thanks to Mrs Johnstone who came in at the weekend, the area has now been cleared, and we are beginning to see a clear canvas to start with.

Some of the children began to create the willow arch way into the spiritual area yesterday with our cleaner Liz. It was a lot of hard work, but the children persevered through the wind and rain and through teamwork created the structure so that the willow will be able to grow.

If anyone does have any more items, they are able to donate



we would be very grateful particularly for soil, bark, plants or herbs. Also, if you are out on walks and are able to find some stones around 10cm they would be extremely handy for one of the designs we have in mind. Thank you very much for your support.





# Forest School News

This week in Forest School we have been celebrating World Book Day by creating our own stick-people inspired by Julia Donaldson's book 'Stick Man'. We were very grateful for our new shelter as sunshine, wind, rain and hail all made an appearance!





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# SUMMER ORDERING DEADLINES

# 2021



## Online Parent Orders

### September Rush!

Please note that orders placed in September will still take up to 21 working days for delivery.

Option 1

#### Service

Parents delivery to School (if applicable)

#### Order by

30/6/21

#### For delivery

Before the end of term

Service will be switched to our 'Parents delivery to Home' service (below) between 1/7 to 2/9 (Standard delivery charges will apply)

Option 2

#### Service

Parents delivery to Home

#### Order by

1/8/21

#### For delivery

Before start of new term

↑ Please note new deadline date

Please advise your parents to order as early as possible to allow sufficient time to reorder if required.

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### School Games Award

Kieran was presented with his certificate and silver medal for his participation in the school games cross country competition, winning a silver medal.

# Super Learner's of the Week!

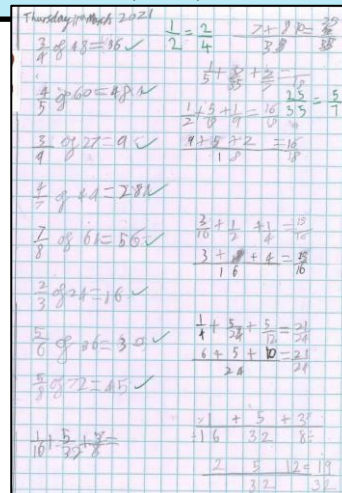
## Class 1

Izabella has come back to school with a great attitude to her learning. She always takes care with her work and is very keen to share her ideas in class too. Well done!



## Class 2

Ethan has come back to school with a fantastic can-do attitude to his learning. He is contributing to lessons eagerly and really progressing with his knowledge of fractions. Fantastic, keep it up Ethan!



## Christian Ethos- FRIENDSHIP & forgiveness

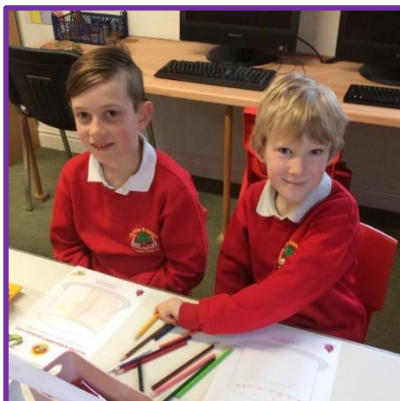


**Class 1: Friendship-** Tenzo has made lots of new friends since joining our school. He thinks of others and joins in well with their games.

**Class 2: Friendship-** When some children entered the classroom after an intervention, Jake volunteered to show the group the task using the recorded lesson. His patience, attitude & demeanour showed the exact skills you would look for in a friend. We are really proud of your excellent start back at school. Well done Jake.



**Class 1: Forgiveness-** Ollie was quick to forgive his friend when they both wanted to use the bike at playtime. They agreed to share and said sorry. Well done Ollie!



**Class 2: Forgiveness-** We are really proud of Harry this week because after an issue on the playground he was visibly upset but chose to walk away from the situation to calm down & contemplate his options. He didn't hold a grudge and was able to play happily later in the day. Super forgiveness Harry!