



"LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE"

Matthew 5:16

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

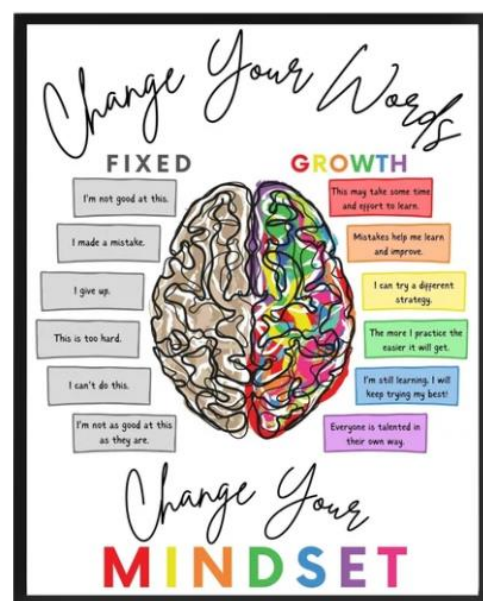
Newsletter
Friday 23rd September 2022

This week's
attendance
99%

Dear parents/carers,

Following our announcement of our new school leadership team, the children had their first meetings this week and have already begun to action some of their development points. It has been great to see the communication and collaboration between the children and their enthusiasm for the role. The groups have been creating their own action plans, which we will discuss in our meetings next week.

We were excited to welcome parents back into school last week for our first celebration assembly and this week we opened the school for our very first book and biscuit session of the year. We really do value our parental feedback and warmly welcome you to use our book and biscuit sessions to discuss your children's learning with your child and their class teacher. We also welcome a comment/feedback sticker to be put in your child/ren's learning. These are available in the classroom and are a great reminder and words of encouragement for the children when talking with adults in school about their learning.



Our New Chair of Governors for the Moorland Hub

After many years in Governance our Chair of Governors for the Moorland Hub, Bridget Down has decided to step down as Chair but will continue to be a part of the governing body as a Foundation Governor for Exbourne and Northlew and Safeguarding Lead across the Moorland Schools. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Bridget for all the work she has done and continues to do across our schools.



We welcome Richard Hollingsworth as our new chair of Governors for the Moorland Hub. Richard graduated with first-class degree in Physics and a masters in Geophysics and spent 30+ years working in the Oil Exploration business around the world for BP. He was also a non-exec director for a small oil and gas company. He has 2 children - one at Lydford Primary and one recently graduated from Edinburgh University. As a governor he is keen to make a difference and to help enrich the school lives of children in this area.

Reading At Home Studies show that reading for pleasure makes a big difference to children's educational performance.



Likewise, evidence suggests that children who read for enjoyment every day not only perform better in reading tests than those who do not, but also develop a broader vocabulary, increased general knowledge and a better understanding of other cultures. We ask that parents

continue to support their child/ren by reading at home every night and recording this in their reading record books.

Children in class 1 who are following the RWi program will have a book to practice at home as well as a book from the library. All other children will have a banded reading book to continue to read as well as a library book. Children in class 2 will be supported to choose a book from the school library.



We will continue with our weekly reading basket raffle which will be drawn every Friday in our celebration assembly. Children will have their name entered into the draw for reading 5 times a week and get to take home a selection of gorgeous books as well as a snuggly blanket and hot chocolate with marshmallows! Definitely what is needed as the nights

get darker and the weather gets colder.

Parental Support

We are aware in the current climate, some families maybe experiencing financial difficulties with the rise in cost of living and energy prices across the country. Please find below a link to a variety of support networks, including local food banks, food vouchers and housing support. If you would like any further information or support, please speak to myself or your child's class teacher.

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Congratulations to Jessica who won the chance to take home the reading basket this week, by reading at least 5 times.

Yr6 Junior Life Skills

On Tuesday (27th Sept) our year 6 children will be taking part in Junior Life Skills held at Parklands, Okehampton. The bus companies are committed to doing the college school run, so therefore we are unable to get the minibus to Northlew in time to make the event at Parklands. Mrs Cook will drive the children to Boasley in order to get the minibus at 9:00am. If you would prefer to drop your child to Boasley yourself, please add this in the comment section when giving consent in the 'payment' section of School Gateway.

Timings

- **Parent transport their child to Boasley- arrive at Boasley 8:50am**
- **Mrs Cook transport your child to Boasley- arrive at Northlew 8:35am**

All children will be returned to their school by minibus, ready for lunch.



Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival will take place in Northlew Church on Tuesday 18th October at 3pm. We are requesting donations of non-perishables (tinned foods, pasta, rice & dried foods)

which we will be donated. Please leave any donations in the school reception.



Fresh Fruit- For Sale

This summer the school garden has produced a bumper crop of eating apples, cooking apples & conference pears. These will be available for sale outside of school for **50p a bag**. If you would like to purchase any, please put cash in the envelopes provided and post through the school letterbox. All proceeds will go towards resources/equipment for our school garden.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Mrs Cook

Question Of the Week

Can you think of an example of when you have persevered this week?

Yes- 93% **No-7%**

YES- In my learning I kept thinking and didn't give up, so I was able to complete it.
I kept trying to make a den even though it was windy and was able to as a team.

NO- I think I didn't persevere enough in my mental arithmetic as I felt I didn't have enough time.

School Diary

September

Monday – 26th	OCRA cricket/rounders after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm
Tuesday – 27th	Yr6 Junior Life Skills, Parklands, 9:30am
Wednesday – 28th	Tuck Shop , 3:15-3:30pm
Thursday – 29th	PE lessons- AM, class 1 & 2 Martial Arts club, 3:30-4:30pm
Friday – 30th	Celebration Assembly, 9am Class 2 Swimming Lessons, 1:30pm @ Aqua Stars (4/7)

***Your child must be booked onto our after-school clubs through School Gateway, in order to take part.**

Help Needed – School Governors – Moorland Hub Local Stakeholder Board.

To support the work of schools and the Trustees, Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust ensures the local stakeholder voice is represented and heard through our Local Stakeholder Boards. The Moorland Hub is one of these, and includes the 6 primary schools of Boasley Cross, Bridestowe, Exbourne C of E, Highampton Community, Lydford and Northlew & Ashbury Parochial C of E.

The local stakeholder board provides local access for our parents and carers, and has a group of diverse Governors who work cooperatively to fulfil the following roles:

- To advise/act as a critical friend to the Principals;
- To advise the Trust Board about local issues they need to consider that might affect the schools;
- To represent the interest of the community within the Trust;
- To represent the school in its community;
- To ensure that each school's co-op identity is supported by listening to the pupils, parents, staff and the local community.

Our board can accommodate people with differing desires and skills. Governors do not need to have an education sector background, nor do they necessarily need to have children at one of our schools. In addition to the basic roles above, there are also lead roles available for those with specific interests or skills.

For an application form please contact j.hooper@dmatschools.org.uk.

To find out more, or to arrange an informal chat, please email j.hooper@dmatschools.org.uk or the Chair of Governors RHollingsworth@dmatschools.org.uk

Super Learners of the Week!

Class 1

Jasmine has had a fantastic attitude to school and learning this week. After feeling unsure during the first week of term, she has started to settle into the new routines well and begun to form new friendships. She has also tackled lots of work with a determined attitude and gained a sense of achievement when she has completed a task. Well done, Jasmine!



Class 2

Izabella has shown a great focus towards her learning since starting back this year. She always endeavours to present her learning beautifully and is carefully trying to understand each piece of her learning.



Christian Ethos - Endurance

Class 1

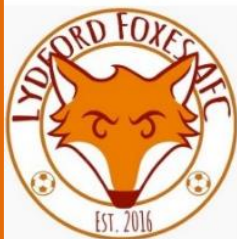
Albie showed brilliant endurance when completing a writing task this week. He took his time to think about what letters he needed and used 'Fred Talk' to help him. Even after becoming frustrated, he completed the sentence and had a big smile on his face afterwards. Well done, Albie!



Class 2

Jack has really persevered this week to improve his reading. He is trying to focus on the volume of his voice when reading aloud and is becoming much more confident with this. Well done, Jack!





LYDFORD FOXES AFC

Session for 5 - 8 year olds

The exciting session for our popular 'Fox Cubs' will return as of

Saturday September 17th 2022
9am - 10am

Established in 2016 this small, friendly local youth football club with a strong family feel offering fun training sessions to focus on the development of skills for the beautiful game.

Sessions to run at Lydford Sports Field, EX20 4BE each Saturday.
To register your interest please contact us.

play@lydfordfoxes.com or www.lydfordfoxes.com

Lydford Foxes currently have U10s and U16s teams playing in the Adrenalin Devon & Junior Minor League as well as the U18s that are now focusing on a pathway to lead into training and playing with nearby local adult team, FC Tavyside.



Hatherleigh Youth
Football Club

GIRLS DEVELOPMENT

Supporting girls football

Primary age Year 3 to Year 6

Hatherleigh Community Centre -
Thursday 6-7pm Term Time

For fun, friends and football

Opportunities to join our youth
teams

Contact Paul 07583 971966