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

## **Newsletter** **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

Last week's  
attendance  
was:  
**98%**

Dear parents/carers,

As you are probably aware, we have had a positive Covid test result in one of our Moorland Hub Schools. To ensure the safety of all our children, staff and the wider community, we agreed that we should close the school following guidance from Public Health England. We have asked all staff and children to self-isolate and complete a PCR test to prevent the spread of further infection.

Due to the rising number of cases across Devon and Cornwall, we continue to review our health and safety measures in school. We are reminding all parents to stick to the two-metre distancing rule when dropping off and picking up their children at the end of the day. Can we also ask that parents wear a face covering when dropping off and picking up from school until the end of the summer term.

Next week, we will be saying goodbye to our teaching assistant in class 2 Mrs Walter. Mrs Walter has chosen to finish her teaching position with Northlew to enable her to focus on her family and new grandchild due soon. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Walter for all her hard work and dedication to the children, staff and community of Northlew and wish her all the best for the future.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.  
Take care and stay safe,

Mrs Cook

# School Diary

June/July 2021

<b>Monday - 28<sup>th</sup></b>	New September intake visit, 12:15-3:30pm <b>Forest School (Class 1)</b> Yoga after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm
<b>Tuesday - 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Ethos Singing Club</b> (KS2), 3:30-4:30pm
<b>Wednesday - 30<sup>th</sup></b>	Supply teacher Mrs Lloyd in KS1- all day PTFA Summer Hamper raffle draw! <b>Forest School (Class 2)</b> Art after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm
<b>Thursday - 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Tuck Shop</b> , 3:15-3:30pm <b>Martial Arts</b> after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm Yr6 Okehampton College Teams meeting, 6pm
<b>Friday - 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Supply teacher in KS2- all day PE ( <i>kit + trainers worn to school</i> )

## Yr6 Transition Visits to College

As you know Year 6 students transitioning in September are invited to spend the day at Okehampton College on 7<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> July. Unfortunately, they will not be able to use the canteen on these days and have been asked to bring a packed lunch.

Students who are entitled to Free School Meals will be provided with a packed lunch by the College.

## Summer Hamper

**Reminder:** Please can we have all hamper donations handed into the school office by Monday 28<sup>th</sup>, along with raffle tickets/cash. The PTFA Summer Hamper draw will take place in school on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June with the winner notified that same day. Good Luck everyone!



## End Of Term Reports

Over the last few weeks, the teachers have been carrying out assessments with the children to look at the areas of the curriculum that the children are secure with, which will help to inform their planning for the rest of the term. Your child will bring home their end of year report on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July**, with parents' consultations being arranged for the week beginning **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July**. More information on how to book your 10-minute parent consultation slot will be included in next week's newsletter.



## Sports Day

Unfortunately, due to the rise of Covid cases, we are now **unable to invite our parents to our Sports Day** event. Sports Day will still go ahead for our children on Tuesday

13<sup>th</sup> July, we plan to take lots of photos to share with you in the last week of term.

## Parking Around the School

As we have mentioned in previous newsletters, we are asking all parents to park their cars in the village square and not around the front of the school. This will help keep our children safe during morning drop off and afternoon pickups. Many thanks.



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## SUMMER ORDERING DEADLINES

### 2021

	Service	Order by	For delivery
Option 1	Parents delivery to School <small>(if offered by your school)</small>	▶ 30/6/21 ▶	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	Parents delivery to Home	▶ 1/8/21 ▶	Before start of new term
Please order as early as possible to allow sufficient time to reorder if required.			

## Break the Rules Day

It has been great to see all the children in school today taking part and 'Breaking the Rules'. Your 50p per rule break has meant that we have raised a total of **£57.20**. The School Council will meet with Mrs Cook next week to discuss how best to spend the money raised.





# Forest School News

In Forest school this week, Class 1 were joined by the children who will be starting Reception in September. It was great to show them around our outdoor areas and show them some of the things we like to do there. We explored the mud kitchen this week and even did some mud painting! The children said they would like to do some more muddy activities next week, so remember to bring wellies!



Class 2 worked on their weaving again this week. The children are really getting the hang of how to construct the square pattern with the wool and they are looking great! I hope they will be finished soon so we can put them up in our shelter...





*Congratulations to the following children for achieving their  
gold star certificates!*



**GOLD AWARD**  
**350 STARS**

*Class 1*

*Zac*





# Super Learners of the Week!

## Class 1

**Zac D** always has a fantastic, positive attitude towards his learning and an amazing curiosity to understand at a deeper level. Amazing qualities to have at such a young age, well done Zac!



## Class 2

**Winnie** has been full of confidence when taking the recent maths test and has been very positive towards all her learning. Keep it up Winnie!



## Christian Ethos – 'Friendship'

### Class 1

**Ellie & Esmé** showed lovely consideration towards each other's feelings by making cards to cheer each other up, after wanting to play different games. They were soon back smiling and laughing together! Well done to you both.



### Class 2

**Marjorie** helped another child with the game '21' and showed them that being 'out' is okay. Marjorie also offered to help another child during a drama lesson. Well done!



## Meet Our Chair of Governors



Hello, my name is Bridget Down and I am the Chair of Governors for the Moorland LSB. I am passionate about hearing and seeing the view of the schools at playground level. I have been a governor with the Dartmoor Federation for 5 years and during this time I have loved getting to know so many of you. **Please do feel welcome to always get in touch.**

I am a Mummy of four creative, outdoor loving children, which is handy as we live on my husband's family farm in West Devon. I work full time for the Methodist Church as a Learning and Development Officer and am a member of the Parish Council.

**I need YOUR help!** I am looking for more on the ground governors! Governors who know their communities and have a passion to see quality education and opportunities for all. We need a Community Governor as well as Parent Governors and a Staff Governor too!

We meet once a half term, online, currently on a Wednesday at 5pm and our meetings last 1 ½ hrs. We hear about the joys and the lows of the schools and feedback ideas and community voice back into the pot. Yes there is more to the role, to hear more please do get in touch [bdown@dmatschools.org.uk](mailto:bdown@dmatschools.org.uk) or apply directly: <https://www.dartmoormat.org.uk/governance.html>)

## Spiritual Garden Update

The spiritual garden is slowly coming together with the help from children and parents. Mrs Johnstone and her husband Mark would like to thank the volunteers Claire Page, Jo Dryden & Jaime Tidwell who came over to help on Saturday.

The children were able to grow the flowers from seeds, as part of their outdoor learning and we are sure the bees and insects will benefit from, as they are very important to the environment.

The children will continue to work on developing our Spiritual Garden as part of their outdoor learning over the next four weeks', so that we can all benefit from it in the Autumn term.

We would really appreciate donations of the following...

- Plant pots for the garden area.
- Soil
- Rubble
- An hour of your time to help prepare the garden.

Please speak to Mrs Johnstone if you can help with any of the above.

