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Newsletter

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Last week's
attendance
was:
93.9%

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the spring term. The children have had a busy week with all of our after school clubs up and running and the children actively participating in the wide range of activities available. On Wednesday, our cross country team participated in their first event of the season.

Over the next 4 weeks I will be running a maths course open to all parents. In these sessions we will look at the materials and strategies we use to teach the four rules of number (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). I hope this will give you an insight to what is expected from your child in their specific year group, as well as some helpful tips to support them with their home learning. Please do come along.

This half term our focused Christian value is 'forgiveness'. Currently, the children are working on creating a display in the front lobby. This

will focus on the range of feelings we display linked with forgiveness and the children will have the opportunity to display their thoughts and feelings on the tree. Our 'question of the week' this week looked at how the children feel about forgiving someone; we will explore this further over the next few weeks making links with the Easter story nearer the end of term.

Just a reminder that the school day begins at 8:50am. At this time all staff have planned specific learning activities to support all children to reach their full potential; maximizing all learning time offered throughout

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Do you find forgiving someone difficult?



66% (27/41) of our children at Northlew said YES they do find forgiving someone hard.

34% (14/41) said No they can forgive someone easily.

When asked children said that when they had been upset or hurt by a friend or peer it took them some time to forgive that person depending on what had happened. Some children said that they held onto feelings of sadness and sometimes anger that took longer to let go.

the day. We have been monitoring those children who are continually late and staff have discussed the negative impact this is having on the children and their learning. With the huge demands on the curriculum, we strive to make full use of every part of the school day. We would really appreciate your co-operation with getting your child to school on time.

Many thanks,
Janine Cook

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

<i>School Diary</i>	
March 2020	
Monday - 2nd	Running after-school club (KS2), 3:30-4:30pm
Tuesday - 3rd	Yoga after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm (yr1-6)
Wednesday - 4th	Arts & Crafts after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm (yr1-6) Tuck Shop , 3:30-3:45pm
Thursday - 5th	WORLD BOOK DAY Dress up as your favourite character Dance Workshop with Jess Squire- am Parents dance performance in school at 11:30am Martial Arts Grading club, 3:30-4:30pm (yr1-6)
Friday - 6th	Mathematics Parent Workshop, 2:30-3pm (2 of 4) Celebration Assembly at 3.10pm

* You will have been notified by text if your child has been invited to take part in this event. Please confirm their attendance in School Gateway.

Parents Policy: Behaviour and Use of Social Media

Please find attached a link to the current code of conduct policies followed by staff and governors across all of the MAT schools. There is also a copy of the code of conduct for all parents. This outlines the acceptable and unacceptable behaviour of adults whilst on the school premises as well as the usage of social media. Please take some time to familiarise yourself with this useful document.

Policies-

- **Code of conduct for parents & social media-**
https://www.dartmoormat.org.uk/uploads/8/0/6/1/80615962/dmat_code_of_conduct_for_parents_and_social_media_use_statement_v1.0_jan_2020.pdf
- **Staff conduct-**
https://www.dartmoormat.org.uk/uploads/8/0/6/1/80615962/dmat_staff_conduct_policy_v1.5.pdf
- **Code of Conduct Trustees & Governors-**
https://www.dartmoormat.org.uk/uploads/8/0/6/1/80615962/code_of_conduct_trustees_and_governors_v1.1.pdf



World Book Day 2020

On Thursday the children can come to school dressed as a character from their favourite story and bring

along the book from which their character features.

If you would like some costume ideas or to find out more about WBD, visit their website- www.worldbookday.com

World Book Day- Thursday 5th March

Next Thursday (5th March) is World Book Day. Your child would have come home with a book cover competition form

which we would encourage all the children to participate. There will be a prize for the best book cover design which will be awarded in our celebration assembly on Friday 6th March. We would like the children to come to school dressed up as their favourite book character on the day and the children will be participating in a range of reading activities as well as a drama session based on 'Explorers' for class 1 and 'World War II' for class 2, with a performance for parents at 11:30am. Everyone is welcome.



Thank you to everyone who helped support our cake sale. We raised a brilliant £49.75, which will go towards resources for our school.

Our NSPCC number themed non-uniform day raised £36 for the charity.

World BOOK Day Token



Every child was sent home on Wednesday with a design your own book cover competition sheet, which had their £1 book voucher attached (1 per child).

Tokens are valid between 27th February – 29th March 2020.

Swap your token for one of 13 **FREE** books which are available from Waterstones, WHSmith, Tesco, Asda, Morrisons, Sainsburys & thousands of independent bookshops.





West Devon Cross Country Event

We had a really good afternoon at the cross country yesterday. It was nice to see the sun! The courses were tough but all the children tried very hard and finished successfully. They did themselves proud and went home with smiling faces! Out of the

small schools taking part, our year 5/6 boys team of Fred, Aiden, Jake, Max, Charlie D and Hayden were our most successful team, finishing 2nd; a great performance boys. Our highest placed runner in any of the races was Grace D (year 3/4 girls), well done Grace.

SUPER LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



Class 1

Izabella used the chrome books effectively to research a wide range of animals from the animal groups we have been exploring in science so that she could create a unique animal of her own, well done Izabella!

Class 2

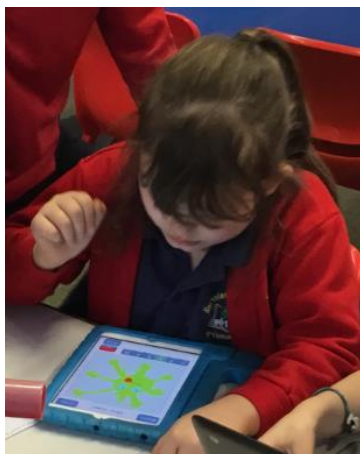
Marjorie has shown fantastic application and attitude towards her learning across the board, particularly in maths and English. She has thought carefully about spelling rules and been very excited to come and tell adults when she has spotted some in her independent learning. Well done Marjorie!



Christian Ethos-‘Forgiveness’

Class 1

Hannah has overcome a range of situations with her peers this week and accepted her friend's apology and even found different strategies to use to move forward in the situation.



Class 2

Lily has shown a brilliant, forgiving attitude to others this week. During situations where she could have lost her temper, she has been cool, calm and collected and been able to take a very mature attitude and forgive the other person. Well done Lily.