



Dartmoor
Multi Academy
Trust

...everyone in our Trust.



"LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE"

Matthew 5:16

Newsletter
Friday 6th January 2023

This week's
attendance
95.7%

Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year!

Welcome to our first school newsletter of 2023. I hope you all have had a restful and peaceful Christmas holiday and managed to enjoy some quality family time at home.



It has been lovely to see the children return and settle back to school routines and systems so quickly. They have been sharing some of the wonderful experiences they have had over the holidays; meeting up with family, playing games and talking about the beautiful gifts they have received. They listened carefully to each other and the care and thoughtfulness we have seen across the school this week has been lovely. A huge thank you to our parents and wider community for all the lovely cards and gifts we received before the Christmas break, they were very much appreciated!

Curriculum Newsletters and Knowledge Organisers

Your child will have come home today with a copy of the spring term curriculum newsletter along with the knowledge organiser to support the wider curriculum subjects. Please do take time to read through the knowledge organiser as we warmly welcome anyone who has any knowledge or expertise in a particular field to come and share this with the children when we are exploring our new topics. The knowledge organisers also support the children with the subject knowledge and specific vocabulary they will be using across a sequence of learning. If you have any questions or are able to support us with artefacts or visits to enhance our topics, please do speak to a member of staff.





After School Clubs

Our after-school clubs will begin next week on Monday 9th January from 3:30-4:30pm. These clubs have been organised to provide a wide variety of activities for the children to enjoy. Booking can be done through School Gateway. We do request that you have booked your child a place in order that they stay after school. Anyone who has not been signed up for clubs will be unable to stay. If your child is unable to attend club, please do let us know as this may have an impact to what has been planned for the session. The clubs arranged for the spring term are:

Day	Time	Club	Cost
Monday	Lunchtime	Yr6 SATs (Yr6)	Free
Tuesday	3:30-4:30pm	Cooking (Yr 1-6)	£1 per session
Tuesday	Lunchtime	Gardening (YrR-6)	Free
Wednesday	3:30-4:30pm	OCRA -Indoor Sports (Yr 1-6)	Free
Thursday	3:30-4:30pm	Martial Arts (Yr 1-6)	Free (Grading fee £15)

If your child took part in the **cooking club sessions last term**, the final session which was postponed will now take place on **Tuesday 10th January** with the new group beginning Tuesday 17th January.



Space Dome Experience

We are excited to share that we have managed to book a space dome experience for the children which will enhance our science topics this term. Due to the size of the dome, we need a large space to allow the visit to happen. The space dome company can accommodate all the children from Northlew and Boasley together for the experience. The visit has been booked for **Monday 6th February**. More information to follow in up-and-coming newsletters.

Tooth Brushing Scheme

We have been seeing lots of lovely, gleaming teeth in Class 1 as the children have started engaging in our new tooth brushing scheme! The children brush their teeth for 2 minutes every day to encourage good dental hygiene. It has been great to see how excited the children have been to take part in the scheme and hope that this will continue.



PE Kit

This term we are fortunate to have Mr Pugh, our PE specialist from Holsworthy College to continue our PE lessons each **Thursday morning** this term. In order for us to maximise the amount of time the children have in the hall to do their gymnastics sessions; we are asking that children come to school on a Thursday in full PE kit with their school jumper. There is no need to send in additional clothing for the children to change into.

Mrs Quick

Next Friday will be Mrs Quick's last day working with the children and staff at Northlew & Ashbury Primary School. We would like to thank her for her dedication and devotion she has given in her role as a catering assistant as well as a TA and MTA over the last 4 years. On behalf of the children, staff and community at Northlew and Ashbury Primary School, we would like to wish her the very best in her new role at Hatherleigh Primary School.



Looking forward to welcoming you all to our first celebration assembly of 2023, which will be taking place on **Friday afternoons** this term at 3:10pm.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.
Mrs Cook

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

<i>School Diary</i>	
<i>January</i>	
Monday - 9th	
Tuesday - 10th	*Cooking after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm (<i>Last terms group due to postponed session</i>)
Wednesday - 11th	Tuck Shop , 3:15-3:30pm *OCRA Indoor sports , 3:30-4:30pm
Thursday - 12th	PE lessons- AM *Martial Arts club, 3:30-4:30pm
Friday - 13th	Music lessons with music specialist, Mrs Jolliffe- PM Celebration Assembly, 3:10pm

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



LET'S TALK PRE-TEENS

Dates:

- Tuesday 17 January
- Tuesday 24 January
- Tuesday 31 January

Free support sessions for parents and carers

 Have you got a 9-12 year old? Join us online for a chat about some of the challenges young people are facing today, find out what tools you can use to support them.

We'll be running twilight sessions throughout January covering topics such as:

- drugs and alcohol
- body image
- safety online
- mental health
- social risks
- peer pressure

 Weekly 90 minute sessions starting at 7.00pm

 Visit saferdevon.co.uk/lets-talk-teenagers to find out more about each session and book your free place.




Easy fundraiser is a simple way to help us **raise FREE money for our children**. By using the easy fundraising app & doing your usual online shopping we can get FREE donations from lots of big companies. It really is simple to do and will benefit our children & school greatly.

Please help Northlew & Ashbury PTFA. It only takes a moment and it's completely free, so please get involved if you haven't already!

Click the link to sign up: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?invite=dilgss&char=267200&referral-campaign=s2s&utm_campaign=refertowin_sept_22