

## Respectful, Resourceful, Resilient

A creative approach to learning where all pupils can succeed

# Newsletter Friday 28th April 2023

This week's attendance was: 97.98%

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome to our second newsletter of the summer term. It has been lovely to spend time in both classrooms over the past few weeks and looking at the range of activities the children are exploring in the first half of the summer term. The children in Oketor class have emerged themselves in their class text in English which supports their history topic of the Vikings. Their engagement with the text has provided opportunities for great discussion and the writing the children have been producing has been fantastic. We can't wait to share our quest stories with you in a few weeks' time when we produce our own narrative descriptive pieces. The children in Littlemoor have begun their science topic based on minibeast and were able to enjoy the fresh air and sunshine on Tuesdav this week to carry out a minibeast hunt around the school grounds. The children found an array of creatures hidden beneath the rocks and logs around our forest school and sensory garden area, including several ant colonies. They will be researching a mini beast of their own using books and the internet and using this information to create their own fact files. It has been wonderful to observe the children's attitude to their learning; their determination to complete tasks to the best of their ability, using the valuable learning environment to support them. We are all extremely proud of the continuous hard work and resilience the children of Boasley Cross show in everything they do, keep it up everyone!



## **Basketball Coaching**

We are pleased to share that David Roper, who coaches the North Devon Bucks Basketball teams, will be joining us this term to provide our children in key stage 2 some expertise in Basketball. David will be with us each Monday from 15<sup>th</sup> May to coach the children. Our sports

leaders are excited to see our newly purchased basketball hoops and balls being put to good use and hope that basketball will become a more popular sport at lunchtime when David begins his coaching sessions with us!

### **Sports Day**

With just a busy term ahead of us we thought that we would share our planned school sports day (weather permitting) for the second half of the summer term. Please save the date: Tuesday 13th June – 1:30-3pm,



everyone is welcome to join us on the school field to cheer on their children and support their child/ren's team.

### Range of sporting events this term

We are very fortunate to have OCRA offer a wide range of sporting events for our children to participate in. These events give the children an opportunity to demonstrate and apply their skills as well as meet other children from across our trust primary schools. Some of these events involve one year group, which maybe 4 or 5 children, therefore we maybe requesting that the parents drop their children off and collect from the event. We will notify parents in advance if that is the case. As usual we will be requesting consent on school gateway for your child to attend this event. A letter will come home with your child outlining what they will need to bring nearer to the event. Please do speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions regarding an event your child has been chosen to participate in.

Time Date **Event** Transport Year 4 Hatherleigh Mrs Ogborne to Wed 3rd May 10am – 2pm Cricket Festival transport the children Wed 17th May tbc Year 4,5 and 6 Dartmoor Cricket School transport Cup @ Hatherleigh Tues 23rd May 9am-2pm Parents to drop Year 6 girls Neon Run @ Okehampton off and pick up from event Key stage 2 small Thurs 15th June tbc School transport schools cross county event @ tbc

## **Egg Arrival**

Today was a very egg-citing day in Littlemoor! We saw the arrival of some very special chick eggs! We are very excited to be able to share the experience of looking after, caring for the eggs and observing the changes as the chicks get to hatch! The children are certainly egg-cited for the countdown! Only 21 days to go! Thank you so much to the Dean family for providing us with this super opportunity.



### **After-School Clubs**

The summer term at Boasley Cross sees a new range of After-School provision.

On a Monday, Dom from OCRA is running an indoor badminton club. The children began this week with learning the initial skills and ideas behind the game of badminton, practising at first by throwing and catching the shuttlecock over the net before advancing to using badminton rackets.



Tuesdays see the return of Netball Club which this term is being run by Mrs Ogborne and our

experienced netballing parent volunteer - Mrs Beardon. The children were really excited to get back out on the court and refresh their knowledge of the netball rules and we look forward to hopefully being able to arrange a few friendly matches against other schools later in the term.

Sensei Steve continues to run Martial Arts at Boasley on a Wednesday this term with the children continually working towards their next individual level of grading.

Finally, continuing from the latter part of last term, our parent volunteer, Mrs Turner, is continuing to help Boasley bloom along with her band of merry helpers at Gardening Club. Thanks go to Mrs Turner and FOBCS for funding compost and other items to enhance the children's 'hands-on' learning experiences at Gardening Club.

After-School clubs are such a lovely opportunity for children to enrich their learning at Boasley Cross in this awe-inspiring setting of ours. We hope that the children enjoy the provision that has been arranged for the summer term and our thanks go to all of those that help make running these clubs possible, in particular our parent volunteers Mrs Turner and Mrs Beardon.

## Yr4 Hatherleigh Cricket Festival

On **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**, the year 4 children have been invited to take part in a cricket festival in Hatherleigh. Mrs Ogborne will be transporting the children to and from the event. Children will

need to arrive at school normal time and will be back at school for the end of the day pick up. The children will need a packed lunch, drink and to be wearing suitable PE kit and trainers for the weather.

In order for your child to take part, please go to the 'payments' section of School Gateway to give consent.

Hope you have a lovely long bank holiday weekend.

Looking forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

Mrs Cook





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



@ LEWDOWN CRICKET CLUB

**EX20 4DP** 

Sessions start:

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

6.30pm

New starters can try for free !

Junior club membership required thereafter.

Very reasonable rates!

and every Friday thereafter until end of Summer Term – weather permitting!

All welcome from aged 4 to 16

Focus on fun!

Age and ability appropriate groups led by experienced and enthusiastic Coaches!

Bar

**Tuck Shop** 



Pippa: In our music session, Pippa independently came up with the idea of making a bell. She found all the right modelling materials and worked out how to put them together. Very impressive, Pippa!



<u>Eleanor</u> has been recalling number facts to help consolidate her maths work.

# School Value: Respectfulness Award

Lucy is a great example to everyone in Littlemoor as she is always so polite and well mannered. We're so pleased to have you in our class.





A visiting member of staff commented that <u>Ethan</u> had held a door open for him and pinned it back for his peers. He was very impressed!



Remember to book your child's school meals. Week beginning Mon 1st May:

**Autumn Menu Week 3** 

# School Diary

May		

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	*Netball club, 3-4pm
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Yr4 Cricket Festival at Hatherleigh Cricket Ground, 10am-2pm *Martial Arts after school club, 3-4pm
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	*Gardening club, 3-4pm
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly at 8:40am Swimming lesson, 1:15pm- Oketor class (3/6)

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

# Dates For Your Diary

#### May

- Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Yr4 Hatherleigh Cricket Festival, 10am 2pm
- Thurs 4th Yr4&5 residential meeting, 4pm at Boasley Cross
- Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday for the Kings Coronation
- Tues 9th Fri 12th Year 6 SATs week
- Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Bratton Clovelly plant sale (raising funds for Boasley Cross School)
- Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Yr 4,5,6 Dartmoor Cup Cricket in Hatherleigh
- Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Yr6 girls Neon Run in Okehampton

#### June

- Sun 4th FOBCS sponsored bike ride
- Tues 8th & Fri 9th Yr3 residential trip
- Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Swimming lessons begin for 6 weeks (Littlemoor class)
- **Ties 13**<sup>th</sup> Sports Day, 1:30pm
- Thurs 15th KS2 Small Schools Cross Country
- Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Yr4&5 residential trip to Menadue, Tintagel

#### July

- Tues 11<sup>th</sup>- Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Yr6 French residential trip to Normandy
- Fri 21<sup>st</sup> last day of term



# BRATTON CLOVELLY VILLAGE

# **Plant Sale**

Flower & Veg plants, Shrubs and Perennials Refreshments and Raffle

On

Saturday 13th May

at

Bratton Clovelly Hall EX20 4JT 11am – 2 pm

**Cash Payment Only** 



All proceeds to the following:
Devon Air Ambulance, Bratton Clovelly Hall,
Bratton Clovelly Church Tower,
& Boasley Primary School.

