



**Dartmoor**  
MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

# Respectful, Resourceful, Resilient

*A creative approach to learning where all pupils can succeed*

## **Newsletter** **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

**This week's  
attendance  
was:  
90.30%**

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

Dear Parents/Carers

The children have begun to explore their new topics in the wider curriculum; this term both classes are investigating plants in science. In history our younger children will be looking at The Egyptians and Key Stage 2 children will be finding out more about the Industrial Revolution. The children have already looked at the key vocabulary for these topics to emerge them in their learning. A copy of the curriculum newsletter for the learning that will be covered in the summer term was shared with parents last week. The children will bring home a copy of their knowledge organisers to share with parents at home. The knowledge organiser is a fantastic resource that we use regularly with the children as an aid to their learning, supporting them with subject specific language, visual images as well as key information. Please do share these with your children at home.

### **Year 6 SATs Week - Monday 9<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May**

This week was the final Year 6 SATs after school session. I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge well done to all our children for all their focused hard work and determination to prepare the children for the assessments next week and a huge thank you to Mrs Winter for running the sessions.

Our Year 6 group will have a special 'breakfast session' together every morning next week when they arrive at school. This session is aimed to help overcome any last-minute nerves and ensure that the children are calm, positive and ready to do their best. The school will be funding the delicious treats the children have requested to be added to the shopping list. The breakfast club will take place first thing from 8:35-9:00am everyday next week.



**Good luck to all our Year 6 children -  
YOU CAN DO THIS!**

SATs don't measure sports  
SATs don't measure art,  
SATs don't measure music,  
Or the kindness in your heart.

SATs don't see your beauty,  
SATs don't know your worth,  
SATs don't see the reasons,  
You were put upon this earth.

SATs don't see your magic,  
How you make others smile,  
SATs don't time how quickly,  
You can run a mile.

SATs don't hear your laughter,  
Or see you've come this far,  
SATs are just a tiny glimpse,  
Of who you really are.

So sitting at your table,  
With a pencil and your test,  
Remember SATs aren't who you are,  
Remember you're the best!



### **Book and Biscuit and Celebration Assembly**

As the covid numbers have decreased since our return after the Easter break, we would like to warmly welcome all parents back into school. There have been changes to the timings of our Celebration Assembly and Book and Biscuit Sessions due to swimming this term for Oketor and Littlemoor children. Our first session will be next Friday morning and times are now confirmed; Book and Biscuit 8:45-9:10am, followed by Celebration Assembly in the hall 9:10-9:30am. This will continue fortnightly, with parents invited on alternate weeks to attend Celebration Assembly at 8:45-9:05am in the school hall. Our Book and Biscuit mornings will be an opportunity to share your children's learning in their books and discuss their developments with the staff. Please do come along as we have so much to celebrate!

### **Ice Cream Treat at Gangsta Granny Theatre Trip**

We have been offered ice creams during the interval of the performance of Gangsta Granny at the Queen's Theatre on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May. If you would like your child to have an ice cream (additional cost of £1.50), please go to the payments section of school gateway by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May.



### **Parental Feedback**

We really value parental feedback and use this to review and reflect on our current practices and systems. This will ensure that what we are providing for your children is the best that it can be. Please do take a couple of minutes to complete the questionnaire that was sent out earlier this week by clicking on the link below. The staff and I aim to review the results of the questionnaire in next week's staff meeting.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=kG0HO7J4vUqeBcIPJiicRj8uJH0wo9AKY516-nG4-tURUFDRFZDM1A4SU8wSFpJWtdUOUdQUzNZNC4u>

### **ROLE PLAY MATERIALS WANTED**

We are currently updating our role play provision for the children in Littlemoor class. Following discussions with the children, we have decided that our outdoor role play area will become a veterinary surgery. If you have any animal teddies or anything that may help to bring this role play area to life for the children, please see the team in Littlemoor class.



### **Queen's Jubilee Celebrations**

In order to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee, we would like to invite you to our Jubilee celebration afternoon on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May from 2-3pm on the playground. We would like to share with you a range of learning the children have been producing, whilst parents enjoy an afternoon cream tea. Please put the date in your calendars.



### Further Dates for your Diary:

With lots going on over the next few months, please see important dates for your diary:

Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Jubilee Celebrations 2:00-3:00pm
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Queen's Theatre trip 'Gangsta Granny'
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Half Term holiday
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screen Check
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Multiplication Check (3 week period)
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Wildlife Leaders Day at Meeth
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> June	September EYFS transition morning 9:00-11:45am
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	September EYFS transition morning 9:00-11:45am
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> - Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 and 5 residential
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> June	September EYFS transition afternoon 1:15-3:00pm
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 3 Residential
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Taster Day at Okehampton College
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> July	September EYFS transition day 11:55-3:00pm
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> July	September EYFS transition day 8:35-3:00pm
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> - Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Residential
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Last day of term

Looking forward to seeing you all next week for our first Book and Biscuit and Celebration Assembly.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Cook

## Notice Board

### School Diary

#### May 2021

Monday 9th	Year 6 SATS week OCRA Dance after school club KS1/KS2
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Netball after school club Y2/KS2
Wednesday 11th	Forest School after school club KS1 – wellies & waterproofs required OCRA Martial Arts after school club KS2
Thursday 12th	Whole School PE sessions with Mr Pugh - full PE kits required OCRA Multi Skills after school club KS1 Tag Rugby after school club KS2
Friday 13th	Book & Biscuit 8.45-9.10am / Celebration Assembly 9.10-9.30am Whole School Music sessions with Mrs Jolliffe Swimming session pm KS2 – swimming kits/towels required

#### SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Monday/Wednesday/Friday: 8.30am to 3pm

Tuesday/Thursday: 8.30am to 12pm

Please advise the office by 12pm if your child's 'going home' arrangements are to change for the day so that this can be logged for safeguarding purposes. Thank you.



## Our Star Learners this week



Oscar for determination and enthusiasm for his maths learning. Oscar has been working extremely hard to retrieve mathematical knowledge to apply to our work on decimals. Well done!



Eleanor has been showing great perseverance and independence when learning new concepts in maths, related to fractions. She problem solved when she was stuck, instead of going straight to an adult. Great work!

## Our School Value Certificates this week 'Resourcefulness'



Ava for independently using the phonics and handwriting resources in the early years area to help her practise writing her name and writing beautifully. Very resourceful!



Hector has been resourceful in effectively using place value charts and counters to support his learning and showing his understanding of decimals. Amazing!

## PRELOVED UNIFORM AVAILABLE

FOBCS has preloved Boasley jumpers and fleeces in a variety of sizes.

Available for a suggested donation of £1-£2.

Please speak to Kirsty Kiddle in person or contact her on 07814181537





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Luxury Hampers**

**In Memory of  
Stephen Rockett**



**Everyone  
Welcome**

**Charity Tractor Run  
All funds raised go to  
Devon Air Ambulance**

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

**At Bratton Clovelly**

**Tractors meet from 9.30am and move off at 11.00am**

**(Tractor parking by kind permission of Messrs G & O Davey,  
will be sign posted on the day)**

**£10 per tractor and £5 per passenger entry fee to include a bacon  
bap**

**Refreshments served until 12 noon at Bratton Clovelly Parish Hall**

**Advance booking for tractors would be appreciated call Amy:  
07970800454 or email: [rockettstores@gmail.com](mailto:rockettstores@gmail.com)**

**\*\* It shall be a condition of entry that all drivers hold the applicable licence and insurance  
for the vehicle they are driving. All participants shall operate with due care and attention,  
not only whilst taking part but driving to and from the event. Careless driving not only  
reflects on the event but the competence of the driver\*\***



**Can you go the distance?**



**OCRA**

**Run**

**1 mile**

each week to achieve your own  
personal Half Marathon before  
24th July 22

**Sunday 24th July 9:30am**

**Run your final mile in Simmons Park**

**Complete your challenge with us.**

To book, go to [ocrasport.org.uk/product/ocra-13-primary-school-challenge-2022](https://ocrasport.org.uk/product/ocra-13-primary-school-challenge-2022)

**£8.50**