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Summer Term Newsletter No. 9

What a hot week! We are fortunate to have shaded areas around school and water dispensers in each classroom but it has been quite a task keeping the children cool this week! Please do remember to send a water bottle in with your child so we can keep them drinking throughout the day —we sell them for £1 if you need one. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused by postponing the Film Night but it was just impossible to reduce the temperature in the hall to a comfortable level for the children to sit in for two hours.

The weather is set to change next week (typically) in time for Sports Days. Hopefully we will still be able to go ahead with them but we do have to put the children's safety first so wet, slippery grass could well stop us. We will give you as much notice as possible as we appreciate that rearranging work and taking leave can be difficult. Our schedule for the week is:

Monday 26th June - Foundation Sports 1.45pm Thursday 29th June—KS1 Sports (Y1 and Y2) 1.15pm Friday 30th June—KS2 Sports 9.15am - Y3/4 Track events 10.30am - Y5/6 Track events 1.15pm - Y3, 4, 5 and 6 Carousel of Activities

Thank you for all the money we have received from the sponsored run. If you have not yet sent your form and money in please can you do so next week so we can begin to organise the certificates, etc.

We are very proud of this week's Star Pupils:



- Ash Oliver is respectful to other children, sharing ideas and listening.
 - Heidi's confidence to try on her own is really growing and she is always keen to learn.
- Elm Sophia is a superstar writer becoming independent in using her phonics.
 - Bea was wonderfully confident in our assembly, stepping in when someone else felt shy.
- Beech Evelyn is a delightful learner and friend!
- Pine Karolina is a good friend—helping her friend with her learning.
- Apple Layla approaches life with such enthusiasm and always has a smile on her face.
- Oak Lily has worked super hard to improve her writing.
- Birch Katie impressed our story telling visitor Darius with her wonderful learning ideas.
- Rowan Kass tries hard and shows a positive attitude, particularly in maths.
- Cherry Jake shares great ideas in class and has produced some amazing independent writing.
- Maple Aiden B has a renewed sense of aspiration and determination in his work.
- Holly Saskia has great listening skills and an enthusiastic attitude on our trips.
- Willow Daniella made a brilliant effort in her reading assessment this week.
- Hawthorn Jess wrote an incredible, skillfully crafted and haunting short story!
- Hazel Leon has a great attitude towards his learning and behaviour around school.

Diary Date Reminders: Sports Days next week!

Monday 26th—Birch Class swimming
Friday 7th July— 3:05 to 5:00pm School Fair. The
PTA would really appreciate your help to set up stalls,
run a stall for a short amount of time or help clear up
at the end of the fair. Please let them know if you can
offer any of your time. The fair raises lots of money
for your children but does require lots of help to
make it a success. Thank you.

Attendance Award
Congratulations to
Cherry Class for winning
the School Attendance Award
with 98.6% attendance.

The whole school achieved 95.8% attendance overall which is just below our target.

Y3-Y6 Athletics Competition

On Tuesday 20^{th} June, some children from Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 competed in an Athletics competition at St Cuthbert Mayne against Priory and Queensway. It was a very hot and sunny day, but under these testing conditions the children still managed to give an amazing effort. Y3 & Y4 both finished 1^{st} in their year group and Y5 & Y6 both came second. This was the closest result, with only 1 point separating 1^{st} and 2^{nd} in the Y5 year group competition and 2 points in Y6. It was a fantastic overall team performance which meant we were awarded the Athletics Champions Cup.



Tug of War, Babbacombe Fayre

On Wednesday 21st June, we entered a Y6 Tug of War team into the annual competition at Babbacombe Fayre. The team were invincible, winning every match and losing only one pull. We traditionally take part in this competition every year and the children always look forward to it. Sherwell Valley came second and Shiphay were in third place.









Y4 Mini Red Tennis Competition

The tennis A team came second in the Torbay Tennis Finals at Torquay Tennis Club and qualified for the Mini Red Tennis competition at the Devon Summer School Games in Plymouth on Thursday 22^{nd} June. This is a multi-sport Sainsbury's School Games festival as a culmination of year-round school sport competition. We had qualified for the level 3 county wide tennis competition. There were 15 schools from all over Devon and the level of competition was very high. The team had won and lost games and after some skilful tennis, we were knocked out just needing one more point to get through to the quarter finals stage. The team had played some of their best tennis in a county competition and the school is very proud of them. The children also got to experience some new sports as part of the day including: Disc Golf, Lacrosse and Football Darts.









Well done to all our sporting stars!

Mr Mayling