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Wednesday 19th December 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the Autumn Term draws to a close, we have been enjoying some fantastic Christmas events. We would like to say a huge "Thank-you" to the PTA and everyone else who helped out with the Christmas Fayre. It was really successful and it was great to see so many people there. It was lovely to hear lots of positive comments about how much variety there was, how the children were involved with running their games and the overall atmosphere. We are really lucky to have so many of you who are willing to give your time to make the Fayre such a success. Don't forget that we are still looking for new additions to the PTA team as we go through the year as a number of long-standing members have children who will be leaving the school over the next couple of years.

Both Foundation Stage and Key Stage One have finished their Christmas Performances. They were both really successful and a joy to watch. It was lovely to see so many of you and your family members there to enjoy the outcome of their hard work. Key Stage Two are busy with final preparations for their Carol Concert on Thursday and we look forward to sharing this celebration with you. It is an important time for the school to get together as Children, Staff and Parents and to share the experience of celebrating Christmas as the children perform. Please make sure that, whichever performance you are attending, you make the effort to ensure that your child attends them both. It is really important in terms of belonging to our school community, that all the children are present for the evening performance. (In the Church at 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start)

The end of this term sees us saying goodbye to Miss Wolf, who has chosen to move on from Hazeldown and Mrs Morris from the office team, who is moving on to start her own business. We have welcomed Mr Chatfield, our new caretaker, Mr Evans re-joins the teaching team in January in Redwood class and Mrs Radford joins the Admin Team.

As we enjoy the Christmas Break, some of you may be buying new uniform or shoes. Please remember that children should be wearing school shoes during the day, not boots. Our school uniform is really important to us, our positive attitudes to learning and our identity as a school so please make sure that your child has the correct items (including socks!) for the start of term. PLEASE ALSO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYTHING IS NAMED!

We would also like to take the opportunity that arises with the start of a new term to request that children only wear hair-bands that are plain, simple and small. A number of children have been wearing bands with ears; huge bows or other items attached which are causing a distraction to learning. We will remind the children directly before the end of term and when we return but would appreciate your support with this. Thank-you.

We would like to say thank you to you all for all of your support for the school this term, with a special thank-you to those of you who have taken the time to contact us directly if you have had a question or concern. This is far more productive than grumbling to others outside, posting on social media or informing other establishments of your concerns instead. We are always keen to hear from you directly and be able to put actions in place and work together to best support your child if need be. Please remember this as we move into the new term. School Reports will be out and Parents' Evenings taking place at the end of next term so we would much rather hear about issues you may have at the start of term rather than waiting until the end.



Learning for Living

Now we are into winter, there may be the possibility of snow. If you do wake up to snow, please do not telephone the school in the morning, as we will not be able to answer calls from every family. The Senior Leadership Team will liaise and make a decision as early in the morning as possible. We will communicate this to you by email and via the front page of the website. We will also inform the local radio and inform Devon County Council who will post the information on their 'school closures' website page.

You may find that, even if the school is open, the conditions where you live mean that it would not be advisable to try to head out to either school or work. You will need to make that decision at the time in order to ensure you keep yourselves and your children safe. If that was the case in the morning and conditions change during the day, you may bring your child to school for the rest of the day at the point when you feel it is safe to do so.

If it is snowy, children may wear wellington boots to school but we ask that they bring their shoes in a bag so as to stay comfortable during the day. We also ask that they refrain from throwing snowballs at each other, again to ensure that everyone stays dry and comfortable during the day.

Finally, We would like to wish you all a restful and enjoyable Christmas break and look forward to seeing the children again on Tuesday 8th January.

Yours sincerely,



Stuart Ludford,
Headteacher



CHILDREN IN NEED

Thank-you for your generous donations for Children in Need. Hazeldown raised an impressive **£415.20**, which has gone to this really worthwhile cause.



IMPORTANT REMINDER DATA COLLECTION

You were recently sent an important email from SCOMIS, telling you about the PARENT LITE app. This replaces the old paper data collection sheets and is a much safer way to update your child's data and their contacts information. This is very important as if we do not have correct details, especially telephone numbers we are unable to contact you in an emergency. Many of you have not yet done this so can we please ask you to follow the instructions in the email so that we can return in January with the correct data for your child/children.

Thank you



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...in the right direction

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Let's Celebrate

- ★ Harrison Dyke in Apple completed Level 2 Purple Belt Gold Strip with Tiny Kwondos
- ★ Gracie Mae Ward-Hales in Willow completed Level 3 Orange Belt, Gold Strip with Tiny Kwondos
- ★ Max Kuran I Maple received a Wristband for playing rugby
- ★ Zennen Graves in Redwood received a Trophy for Hero of the Week with Teignmouth Rugby Club
- ★ Matilda Kennett in Ebony Scored with 7 minutes to go, for Buckland Athletic Football Club U12
- ★ Jaiyda Mae Gates in Cherry completed Level 7 Gymnastics
- ★ April Humphreys in Cherry has received a Purple Strip Belt for Tae Kwondo
- ★ Caitlin Roach in Maple received a Certificate for being a Star with Saints South West Football Club
- ★ Dolly Geisler in Maple received a Medal for taking part in Haldon Night Run
- ★ Dylan Trett in Apple received a Trophy for Outstanding Commitment with Teignmouth Life Saving Club
- ★ Jessica Newton in Fir received Certificates for Completing Level 7 and 8 Gymnastics Award
- ★ Aaron Kacar in Monkey Puzzle received a Selection of Medals for taking part in Swimming Galas for Exeter Swimming Club
- ★ Lily-Mae Pettifer in Bonsai received a Trophy from Teignmouth Life Saving Club for Female of the Year
- ★ Woody Hunter in Monkey Puzzle received a Certificate for taking part in a Carousel of Code with the Met Office
- ★ Toby Martin in Oak received a Trophy for playing Rugby for Teignmouth Rugby Club
- ★ Grace Evans in Willow received a Trophy for taking part in her first Dance Show
- ★ Fearn Cook in Willow completed her Stage 2 Swimming Award
- ★ Charlie Jenkins in Ebony received a Trophy for Man of the Match with WBB Under 11s Football Club
- ★ Frankie Hill in Redwood received Medals for taking part in a Judo Competition
- ★ Blossom Hill in Fir received Medals for taking part in a Judo competition
- ★ Esme Jones in Cherry completed Grade One Tae Kwondo and received a White Belt with Purple strip
- ★ Millie Wilton in Apple completed Level 6 and received a Blue Belt with Gold strip in Tae Kwondo
- ★ Lara O'Neil in Monkey Puzzle took part in a West End Show with Stepz 2 Starz Dance Club
- ★ Joselyn Ford in Redwood took part in a West End Show with Stepz 2 Starz Dance Club

★ WOW! Congratulations and well done to all our achievers!

★ Don't forget if you have something to celebrate please share it with us.
★ Mrs Drew is keeping our Achievers Board in the corridor up to date and
★ she will take any photos for the board.



IMPORTANT—BOOKING SCHOOL DINNERS

Starting in the new term, the Class Teachers will no longer be receiving a copy of the dinners ordered each morning to check any missing orders. Therefore, it is important that if you have forgotten, or are unable to book your child's meal, please contact the school office before 9 a.m. If you are having problems with the system the office will be able to look into resolving them.

There have been some instances when a parent has booked meals but the meals not being registered. Please double check that the meal has saved, you would usually receive a receipt via email.

Thank you for your co-operation.

DATES TO REMEMBER

KS2 Rehearsals in St Michael's Church	Wednesday 19th December 2018
KS2 Carol Service—St Michael's Church 1.30 p.m. & 7.00 p.m.	Thursday 20th December 2018
Last Day of Autumn Term 2018	Friday 21st December 2018
First Day of Spring Term 2019	Tuesday 8th January 2019
Swimming—Ebony Class	Monday 28th— Friday 31st January 2019 and Friday 1st and Monday 4th February 2019
Swimming—Holly Class	Tuesday 5th to Friday 8th February 2019 and Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th February 2019
Spring Half Term 2019	One week commencing Monday 18th Feb 2019
Swimming—Bonsai Class	Monday 25th to Thursday 28th February 2019 and Friday 1st March and Monday 4th March 2019
Swimming—Monkey Puzzle Class	Tuesday 5th to Tuesday 12th March 2019
Swimming—Redwood Class	Wednesday 13th March to Wednesday 20th March 2019
Swimming—Fir Class	Thursday 21st March to Thursday 28th March 2019
Swimming—Cherry Class	Friday 29th March and Monday 1st April to Friday 5th April 2019
Year 6 Residential to Grenville House	Monday 1st April 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019
Swimming—Oak Class	Friday 26th April to Tuesday 30th April 2019 and Wednesday 1st to Friday 3rd May 2019
Last Day of Spring Term 2019	Friday 5th April 2019
First Day of Summer Term 2019	Wednesday 24th April 2019
Year 4 Residential to Heatree	Wednesday 1st May to Friday 3rd May 2019
May Day	Monday 6th May 2019
Year 5 Residential to Colehayes	Wednesday 22nd May to Friday 24th May 2019
Summer Half Term 2019	One week commencing 27th May 2019
Last Day of Summer Term 2019	Friday 19th July 2019