



Swimbridge CE Primary School

Inspire, Enable and Educate for 'Life in all its Fullness'.



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Swimbridge News

The Week we return

(Wed 24th to Fri 26th April)

Wed: Children return for the summer term Before school skipping club from 8.20am,

Thurs:

Fri:



Welcome to the last newsletter of the spring term. It has been an eventful, rewarding term for everyone here at Swimbridge School and it was so lovely to be able to celebrate with you all this morning at our Easter Service at St James' Church.

On Monday, the children enjoyed taking part in an interactive performance of the Easter story, performed by The Rainbow Theatre Company. It was an extremely professional, gripping and educational production and all the children, from Reception through to year 6, were fully engaged throughout.

Some of our learning this week:

Adventurers and Discoverers: became historians this week looking at historic photographs of Swimbridge. Then they went on a village walk to match the photos to present day buildings and landmarks.

Explorers: have been reporters this week; writing their own news story from a decade of their choosing and typing it up.

Inventors: have enjoyed sketching natural objects in microscopic detail for field journal accuracy.

Yesterday, Zac, Joseph N, Jack E, Hollie, Amelia T & Louisa represented Swimbridge School in a Primary Golf tournament. The following report is by Zac & Joseph: 'We came second place at Saunton Golf Club, with an amazing score, showing teamwork in the horrible weather. The competition was against 5 other schools and we had to play 6 'puts'. Thank you to Mrs Watts for being a wonderful caddy!'



Congratulations to Lin-Li who won the recent reading competition for her creative den for Hettie Feather from the Jacqueline Wilson books—a very thoughtful entry with lots of detail, Well done.

A reminder that the children return to school for the summer term on Wednesday 24th April, with PE, including surfing, taking place that day.

From Monday 29th April, we start our after school Tag Rugby Club from 3.30-4.30pm on the school field. If you haven't already informed Mrs Bull of your child's interest, please email admin@swimbridge-primary.devon.sch.uk over the holidays.

Surfing and Skern payment plan instalments are now live on ParentPay. Please could you also ensure that any outstanding dinner, Cool Kids Club and visit debts are cleared over the Easter break. If you have any questions or issues regarding ParentPay, please see Mrs Bull in the school office.

**Merit Stamp Card
 Congratulations
 Zac, Monty, Willow,
 Isabel, Aoife, Jess W**

Upcoming School Dates for your Diary

- Wed 24th April, school opens at 8.30am
- Wed 24th April, KS2 surfing starts
- Fri 26th April, whole school Lifeguard talk
- Mon 29th April, Yr5/6 Tag Rugby at SMCC
- Mon 29th April, after school KS2 Tag Rugby starts from 3.20-4.20pm
- Tues 30th April, flutes & guitars start again
- Wed 1st May, surfing week 2
- Thurs 2nd May, Bags2School collection, 9am
- Fri 3rd May, Yr4 Tennis afternoon, Bideford
- Mon 6th May, Bank Holiday NO school
- Wed 8th May, Yr3/4 tennis (names tbc)
- Wed 8th May, surfing week 3
- Thurs 9th May, Yr1/2 multi skills at SMCC

Our school vision is to embrace the spiritual, physical, intellectual, emotional and social development of all.

We strive for educational excellence by supporting and developing the following values:

Wisdom

Hope

Community

Dignity

Love

Crisp packets

By the school office, you may have notice a small bin labelled 'empty crisps packets & bottle top lids'. We are collecting these to raise money for our school, Guide Dogs for the Blind and Devon Air Ambulance. If you have any empty crisp packets and/or bottle top lids, please drop them into the collection bin. Many thanks to Katherine, Poppy's mum for organising this on behalf of the school.

Devon Football Association Safeguarding Poster Competition

Would your child like to take part in a Safeguarding Poster competition for a chance to win a Nike England football shirt and Amazon gift vouchers? Entries need to be completed on A4 size paper and posted to Matt Hodgson, Devon County FA, Coach Road, Newton Abbot, Devon, TQ12 1EJ.

The subject is 'Safeguarding in Football' here are a few things you may consider including are:

- What does safeguarding in football mean or look like to you?
- What could children/young people do if they have any worries?
- Who could children/young people tell about any worries they may have?

Be as creative as you like and feel free to draw, colour, paint or use a computer if you prefer.

The winning entry will be used on Devon FA promotional material and the winning entry will receive £30 in Amazon Gift Vouchers AND a Nike England football shirt. All entries must include a fully completed competition entry form which you can download from <http://www.devonfa.com/news/2019/mar/25/safeguarding-poster-competition>.

For further information please contact safeguarding@devonfa.com or call 01626 325919.

What's happening outside school?

Dogs Trust

Free Easter Activity Fun Day at the Dogs Trust, Ilfracombe, EX34 8NU on Monday 8th April from 1.00pm onwards. To book a place please contact Stacey on 07436 621 109 or email stacey.prosser@dogstrust.org.uk

Easter Holiday Camps

Primary Sports & Education are offering sports camps over the Easter break. For more information please contact Jemma or Tia on 07531 530 131/07789 954 068 or email north.devon@primary-sports.co.uk

Hakeford Woods Forest School

Easter holiday forest school: 8th, 9th & 10th April from 10.00-3.00pm. Please contact Louise on 01237 473 719 or email louiserandssilva@gmail.com to make a booking.

Sciencedipity

Science & nature holiday clubs from 8th to 12th April. Aimed at children aged 6-13years. Please contact Ruth on 07847 006 048 or visit www.sciencedipity.co.uk/school-holiday-science-club for more details or to book a place.

Barnstaple Town Football Club

Community Football Day, Monday 22nd April.

Barnstaple Town FC are offering free entry for the afternoon to our game against Street, and will be raising money for the Everything Ellie charity. The Club are actively looking to engage youngsters, offering a family environment at their Mill Road ground on match days. Please see the Facebook page for the more details

www.facebook.com/events/554993344993864/, or visit www.barnstapletownfc.com/2019/03/community-day/

For more information, please contact Daniel Rice, Press Officer/Programme Editor on 07399 075864.

This Week's Home learning

Adventurers: *Reception - Phonics, maths and daily reading please.
Year 1 - Maths, spellings and daily reading please.*

Discoverers: *Maths & spellings. Please ensure you are listening to your child read daily, to support the development of fluency.*

Explorers: *Spellings, times table sheet and reading please.*

Inventors: *Spelling, reading, maths booklets . New topic options after Easter.*

PTFA News Page

Adventurers Cake Sale Today at 3.15pm Cake donations are still welcome!

Last week every child was given a bag and a letter explaining the Bags2Schools collection taking place on Thursday 2nd May. Please see the list below to ensure we are collecting the correct items. Extra bags are available from the school office.

Bags2Schools will accept the following **'good quality'** items for RE-USE:

Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing, paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around), handbags, hats, bags, scarves and ties, jewellery, lingerie, socks, belts, soft toys, linen, curtains, towels, bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers).

We **DO NOT** accept: duvets and blankets, pillows and cushions, carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats), soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing, school uniforms with and without logo, corporate clothing/workwear, textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material.



Dates for your diary:

The next PTFA meeting is on Tuesday 30th April at 8.45am

Thursday 2nd May:

Bags2School textiles collection
(collection bag & details to follow)