



# Swimbridge C of E Primary School



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## Swimbridge News

### The Week we return

(Mon 16th April to Fri 20th April)

**Mon:**

**Tues:**

**Wed:** Surfing week 1

**Thurs:**

**Fri:** PL Primary Stars football competition at SMCC



Thank you to everyone who came to join us for our Easter Service this morning; we hope you enjoyed the children's singing and musical talents as much as we did! As part of our Easter celebrations, the KS2 children spent Wednesday morning at St James' Church taking part in an interactive Easter Experience. Many thanks to Paula Clarke from Churches Together and all the other volunteers who made this special event possible.

This afternoon, the children also enjoyed an Easter Egg Hunt where they were rewarded with a chocolate egg each that was kindly donated by the PTFA.



So far the children and those who sponsored them have raised a grand total of £265 for Sports Relief. If you have any outstanding sponsor money, please drop this into the school office. An extra special thank you goes to Winnie F, who did lots of odd jobs around the house and raised £8.00.

The Yr3/4 football team played a fantastic match against South Molton Community Primary on Wednesday after school. The whole team were superb; running constantly and working together to create some great football. The game ended with a last minute goal which left both teams with 3 goals each.

### Some of our learning this week:

**Adventurers** have been 'lunge' target throwing (underarm) in PE, with great success! They have made up a story and learnt about the myths of the Phoenix.

**Discoverers** have worked really hard on finding fractions of amounts including halves, quarters and thirds.

**Explorers** thoroughly enjoyed their Easter Experience this week, and they have relished being maths detectives, solving Easter mysteries.

**Inventors** have created their own versions of the Easter story and took part in the awe-inspiring Easter Experience this week.

Well done to the Science Week poster competition winners: Erin W, Daisy S-W, Bronte S-J, Romy C, Winnie F, Isabel W and Percy F.

Congratulations to Jessica W for winning First Prize in SMCC's Top Trump Writing Challenge - a tremendous achievement!

Congratulations to:  
 Tina P - Stamp Card 1  
 Luke R - Stamp Card 1  
 Rhys S - Stamp Card 2

### Upcoming School Dates for your Diary

- Mon 16th April, Summer term begins
- Wed 18th April, KS2 surfing starts
- Fri 20th April, Premier League Primary Stars football team to SMCC
- Wk commencing 23rd April, guitar and flute lessons start
- Tue 24th April, lifeguard talks
- Wed 25th April, NO surfing due to tides
- Thurs 26th April, choir to Swimbridge Nursing Home
- Fri 27th April, whole school photograph
- Fri 27th April, Explorers PTFA Cake Sale from 3.15pm

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**

If you are looking for fun and exciting activities for your child over the Easter break, Grosvenor Church are running a three day Holiday Club. For more details or to book, call 01271 323 725 or visit [www.grosvenorchurch.org.uk](http://www.grosvenorchurch.org.uk)

## Good Friday in Swimbridge

Get up early and join in carrying the cross to the top of Hooda Hill

For many years on Good Friday morning, at least 50 people from the village (of all ages) have made this a special event: Why not join in this year?

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March



Enjoy a fantastic view of the village looking down from the top of Hooda



Meet at St James at 7.30 am.

Everyone welcome  
Dogs on leads please

Hot Cross Buns and hot drinks afterwards in the church

## Where Shall We Go this Spring?

All are welcome to three talks on wonderful places to visit this Spring, all in the Old School Room at Swimbridge (where the north side of the churchyard meets the High Street) at 7.30pm. Admission £3, Friends free, refreshments)

**Thursday 5 April:** 'The Beauty of RHS Rosemoor in the Spring'. By David Squire. A fascinating preview of the lovely spring colour at one of North Devon's most beautiful gardens.'

**Thursday 12 April:** 'From mowing to mowing' by Dr John Marston, on turning a bullock field into the acclaimed garden at Gorwell House, Barnstaple.

The talks are part of our fundraising campaign to refurbish the Old School Room and the Pre-school so that both can play their part to the full in Swimbridge village life. Please note that the Old School Room is not wheelchair accessible.

Further info: Mark Haworth-Booth, Friends of St James Church: 07813 77649 or [markhaworthbooth@gmail.com](mailto:markhaworthbooth@gmail.com)



## Easter in the Library

**Saturday 31st March 10:30-12:00- Easter**

**Crafts & start of the Easter Treasure Hunt in South Molton Library**

Decorate a polystyrene egg with tissue paper, feathers, googly eyes, glitter and more.

Search for the 15 colourful egg pictures in the library, find them all to be entered into the prize draw. Closing date 21st April 2018.



**Thursday 5th April 3pm-Family Games**

**Afternoon**

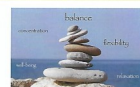
Everyone welcome to join us for some games in the library; table tennis, Scrabble, Twister, Snakes & Ladders, Guess Who and more.

## Children's Yoga Taster Session

South Molton Library

Wednesday 11th April 1-2pm

Ages 4-11 £2



Yoga classes for children are fun and non-competitive. A typical class will include postures, stories, and relaxation, occasionally props and music too! The classes are a great way to boost self-confidence and self-esteem, increase flexibility, fitness and strength, improve concentration and help children relax. Booking is essential with Katy T: 07979521889 E: [movermaker@btinternet.com](mailto:movermaker@btinternet.com), or speak to library staff on 01769 572128

**Children's Yoga**

**Starts Wednesday 25 April**

South Molton Library 4-5pm

Ages 4-11 £12 for three sessions (April 25, May 9 & 23) (additional siblings £6 each)



## Homework

<b>Adventures:</b>	Daily reading please. How many ways can you make 5p?
<b>Discoverers:</b>	Choose a maths or writing project to design a game. Daily reading please.
<b>Explorers:</b>	Daily reading, timetables and spelling practice please.
<b>Inventors:</b>	Reading daily please, spellings, maths booklets, revision for SATs and a piece of writing with an Easter/Spring theme.



## PTFA News

# Easter Bingo Tonight 6-8pm in the Jubilee Hall

Congratulations to Discoverers Class who raised a whopping £104.60 from their cake sale last week! Discoverers have set the bar very high, so look out for the next cake sale which will be run by Explorers Friday 27th April.

This term the PTFA funded £500 worth of new lunchtime playground equipment. This is only made possible by the fantastic fundraising that takes place. This Spring Term, so far the PTFA events have raised:

- Funderzone: £146.45
- Spring Disco: £136.99
- Adventurers Cake sale: £65.60
- Discoverers Cake sale: £104.60
- Total so far: **£453.64**

We are still awaiting to hear from Phil-the-Bag, regarding our recent collection, and we have Easter Bingo tonight, so please come along and support this fun event to help raise even more much needed funds.

### Forthcoming Events

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| • <b>PTFA meeting:</b> 7.30pm, The Community Room | Thur 19th April |
| • <b>Explorers:</b> cake sale                     | Fri 27th April  |
| • <b>Scarecrow Trail:</b> more details to follow  | Sat 5th May     |
| • <b>Inventors:</b> cake sale                     | Fri 25th May    |
| • <b>School Council:</b> ice lolly sale           | Fri 29th June   |
| • <b>PTFA Committee:</b> ice lolly sale           | Fri 20th July   |

The Swimbridge Village Allotment have chosen Swimbridge School PTFA as their next charity to support. Money collected from the sale of surplus produce/flowers from the village allotment over a two month period will be donated to the PTFA. We are currently in the process of deciding what we would like to purchase with the money raised, as the allotment team would like to state what the funds are being raised for.