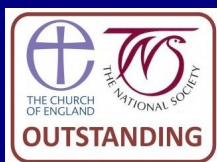




Swimbridge CE Primary School

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



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Swimbridge News

The Week ahead

(Mon 23rd April to Fri 27th April)

Mon:

Tues: *Guitars,*

Wed: *Flutes,
Surfing, KS2*

Thurs:

Fri:

Some of our learning this week:

Adventurers have explored the life cycle of a frog and they have been using money to buy two items, then counting on to get to the total amount.

Discoverers have written some fantastic newspaper reports on the heroic actions of Mrs Armitage. They have created effective headings to draw in the reader.

Explorers have set up an experiment in science to look into the different conditions plants need to grow. They have created a beautiful jungle mural.

Inventors have really immersed themselves in their WWII studies, planning for visitors, a trip and how to use our authentic air raid siren.

It's been a wonderfully busy week here at Swimbridge, with lots of fun and creative learning taking place about 'Life on Earth'. The children have explored our planet in a variety of ways and have shown a great deal of enthusiasm for our whole school topics. The children particularly enjoyed planning and delivering their own family group activities and showed great teamwork skills, working across the age groups.

The children also learnt important, potentially life-saving, information about beach and water safety, during their Lifeguard class talks on Tuesday.

The year 3&4 Golfers had a fantastic afternoon at Saunton Golf Course on Thursday 19th, where they were introduced to new skills and had a fun competition against local schools. Well done to all the children who took part and for working so hard at all the tasks. We are hoping to invite a golf pro to support all the children in school develop their golfing skills in the coming year.



Our mixed Swimbridge football team never gave up in the face of tough competition at the Premier League Tournament last Friday against older and more experienced players. In spite of losing their group matches, the children enjoyed the day and displayed great team spirit. The competition was won overall by Newport Boys' Year 6 Team. The motto of the day was to 'be inspiring, be fair, be connected and be ambitious'. All the pupils certainly displayed these qualities without exception and we are very proud of them!

On Friday 25th May, GDPR (data protection legislation) comes into effect which has implications on all businesses regarding the protection of data. In line with the new regulations, each child will be bringing home a new Home School Agreement this week.

It is essential that you take the time to read the agreement carefully, signing each section. Please then help us by returning the agreement to the school office by Friday 18th May at the latest. Many thanks in advance for helping us to update our records on time.

Congratulations to:

Percy, William V, Lilah-Mai, Honor
- stamp card 1
Charlie P, Bella - stamp card 2

Upcoming School Dates for your Diary

- Throughout May, Year 2 children will be completing various SATs assessments
- Mon 7th May, Bank Holiday: school closed
- Wed 9th May, week 3 KS2 surfing
- Wk commencing Mon 14th May, KS2 SATs week
- Wed 16th May, week 4 KS2 surfing
- Mon 21st May, Inventors WWII street party
- Tue 22nd May, Tag Rugby tournament, Barnstable Rugby Club, Inventors Class

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

As you may already be aware, Swimbridge Post Office has now sadly closed.

We have been informed that from Tuesday 1st May, there will now be a 'pop-up' Post Office in St James' Church, Swimbridge, every Tuesday from 2-4pm.

Barnstaple Concert Band

and

Vocal Accord

Graham Lacey Charity Concert

Music from film, shows & classics

Christ Church-Bear St-Barnstaple

Fri 27th April @ 7.30 p.m.

Free Admission

Raffle & Refreshments



North Devon Hospice

Coffee Morning

Swimbridge Jubilee Hall
Sunday 20th May 10.00-12.30
Coffee & Tea's, Homemade Cakes, Bacon Roll's and Charity Raffle

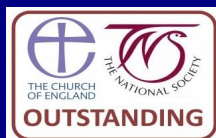
Raffle Tickets available on the day
or from The Jack Russell's Alley Arms
& Salon @ The Saloon...

"Win some fantastic prizes & Vouchers"

Instow B. Ridd Florist Jules Lillco's

Homework

Adventures:	Daily reading please. See sheet in book bags and practice phase 4 tricky words.
Discoverers:	Maths. Spellings in back of homework book. Daily reading please.
Explorers:	Times tables and spellings. Daily reading please.
Inventors:	Reading, spellings and maths booklets please. Yr 6 revision.



PTFA News

Forthcoming Events

- **Scarecrow Trail:** see poster below
- **Inventors:** cake sale
- **School Council:** ice lolly sale
- **Phil-the-Bag collection**
- **PTFA Committee:** ice lolly sale
- **Summer Barn Dance:**

Sat 5th May
 Fri 25th May
 Fri 29th June
 w/c Mon 9th July
 Fri 20th July
 Sat 21st July, more details to follow

Swimbridge School's Popstar Scarecrow Trail



Swimbridge Jubilee Hall
 Saturday 5th May 2018
 2-4pm



Enter your scarecrow for best scarecrow competition for free.

Complete the trail to spell out a famous popstar and to be entered into a prize draw. Entry fee for trail £2

Please bring your finished scarecrow into school for Fri 27th April, for further details please contact Angela 07877 614730

Don't forget that there is still time to make and enter your Scarecrow in the Popstar Scarecrow Competition on on 5th May!

Please can everyone drop any cardboard inner tubes of kitchen towel rolls into the school office for the craft stall that we hope to run at our scarecrow event, many thanks.

We are looking for parents to help at the scarecrow event, if you are available to help in any way, please see Angela or Heather.

Our current PTFA Committee are on their last full term of fundraising. At the AGM in October, it is very likely that some of the current committee members will be stepping down from their roles.

If you are interested in getting involved with the PTFA Committee, please just ask! With the recent cuts to school budgets, the school has to rely on our fundraising more and more. We would like our PTFA to continue to benefit all of our children at Swimbridge School, but for this to happen, we need people ready to step up to continue the work of the PTFA.

- Have you thought what will happen if we cannot secure a PTFA Committee for the next school year?
- Would you be happy donating money per term to support the school instead?
- Would you be happy paying more for trips and sporting activities or the number of opportunities for these activities being reduced?

All of this could become a reality if we don't have a committee...

SAVE THE DATE

On Sat 21st July, the PTFA have decided to hold a Traditional Barn Dance as the family fun summer event this year, rather than the usual Summer Fayre. We hope that you will all join us at what promises to be a fantastic occasion!