



Swimbridge CE Primary School

Inspire, enable and educate for 'Life in all its Fullness'.



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Swimbridge News

The Week ahead

(Mon 12th March to Fri 16th March)

Mon:

Discoverers Multi Skills Festival

Tues:

Guitars and school band

Wed:

Flutes

Thurs:

Whole school outdoor science activity day

Fri:

This week the children have had the opportunity to explore what the values Dignity and Respect mean to them individually, in our school, the local community and the wider world. The children have discovered that it is important to look inside someone to see beyond the difference, because we are all 'wonders'.

A huge thank you to all who have contributed to our Action Aid collection since September. I am very pleased to be able to announce that we have now reached our target of £700, which will support the education and wellbeing of Agegnehu Demele in Ethiopia, Aye Bae Paw in Myanmar and Princess Dolwhu in Liberia. This charity work is so important to our pupils because they are able to give hope to others and show that they consider these children as part of our wider school community. This is reflected in the independent fund raising initiatives that happen over and above those organised by the school and a special thanks must go to Daisy S-W, Bronte S-J, Marnie & Romy C, for their extra surprise donation of £10.50 last week, which they raised by holding a cake sale in the village last weekend—well done girls!

Some of our learning this week:

Adventurers have been looking at recipes and have created their own café. They have also practised their football skills, passing and dribbling.

Discoverers have made their own fruit kebabs and written their own instructions for how to make them.

Explorers have enjoyed printing their own terracotta warriors from polystyrene tiles. They have also been researching the different features of rivers.

Inventors have reflected on their RE work so far this term; pulling together religious beliefs and practises, comparing Christianity with other world religions.

I would like to congratulate Leoni V & Hollie F in Explorers Class, for leading part of their Dojo PE session this week. They taught Aikido moves to the rest of the class and have been awarded with a Headteachers Award. I hear they were superb!

Safety of Children:

Because of our lack of car parking facilities and our close proximity to the road, we would be grateful if parents could make sure they are visible by waiting out the front, on, or at the bottom of the slope and not in their cars to ensure the safety of all our children when leaving school at the end of the day. As has always been the case, parents of children in Adventurers and Discoverers will have their children directly handed to them by a member of staff, children in Explorers will be dismissed from the middle arched door and children in Inventors will be dismissed from their classroom. Inventor's parents, who are happy for their children to walk home on their own, can provide a note to the school office. Many thanks for your continued support with this.

Governor Vacancy:

We currently have a vacancy for a Foundation Governor so please email our Clerk, Kate Sloman, at gov.clerk@swimbridge-primary.devon.sch.uk if you are interested.

Upcoming School Dates for your Diary

- Tue 20th March, School Nurse Team in school for parent chats 3.30-5pm
- Fri 23rd March, Sports Relief
- Thur 29th March, Easter Service 9.30am
- Thur 29th March, PTFA Easter Bingo
- Thurs 29th March, end of term

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

Reading Challenge:

Thank you so much for sponsoring the children in the recent World Book Day reading challenge, we will be accepting further donations of sponsorship money over the next couple of weeks, with the intention of consulting with the children via our School Council, to decide how best to spend the funds on reading related activities and resources.

Sport Relief Information:

We will be celebrating and raising money for Sport Relief on Friday 23rd March. All children are asked to bring in £1 donation on the day to go towards this worthwhile charity. Children are also invited to dress as a sports personality or in a team kit or sporting related outfit and various sporting related activities will take place throughout the day, with the children in key stage 2 running a cross country mile.

Easter Holiday Activities:

Children in Explorers and Inventors will have already brought home a leaflet about X:site. This is a region wide event that takes place 3 times a year in churches across North Devon. For more information please email xsitendeveon@gmail.com

Grosvenor Church are holding their annual Easter Holiday Club from Wednesday 4th to Friday 6th April for children in school years R to 6. Places are limited so if you would like more information, please pop into the school office for a leaflet and booking form, or call 01271 323 725 if you have any questions.

SWIMBRIDGE HOUSE EASTER FAYRE SATURDAY 24TH MARCH 2.30 – 4.30PM



PLEASE COME ALONG AND JOIN US

THERE WILL BE;

CAKE STALL

RAFFLE

SWEET STALL

REFRESHMENTS

GAMES

Homework

Adventurers: Please keep learning the tricky words in the back of Reading Records and read daily.

Discoverers: Please complete the phonics/spelling homework in books and read daily.

Explorers: Please complete your weekly homework sheet and read daily.

Inventors: Please bring in a photo (or email it to admin@swimbridge-primary.sch.uk) of you doing something you love, or spending time with someone you love, as well as reading, spelling and one strip of maths booklets.

Year 6 should also be doing their maths SATs revision please.



PTFA News

Forthcoming Events

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| • PTFA meeting: | Thursday 22nd March, 7.30pm |
| • Easter Bingo: | Thursday 29th March |
| • Discoverers-cake sale | Friday 23rd March |
| • Explorers-cake sale | Friday 27th April |
| • Inventors-cake sale | Friday 25th May |
| • School Council-ice lolly sale | Friday 29th June |
| • PTFA Committee -ice lolly sale | Friday 20th July |

Thank you for all the donations for Phil-the-Bag this week. We will inform you of how much we have raised shortly.

Our Easter Bingo event is on Thursday 29th March 6-8pm. This is a great evening of fun for children and parents alike. We have Easter eggs and day out vouchers that have been donated to us, so there will be lots of prizes worth popping along for!

We would still welcome donations of Easter eggs and would be very grateful for any help you can give on the night.

A raffle will be held on the night, with lots of super prizes, including an extra special Easter Sunday roast hamper. Hamper and raffle prize donations would be greatly received, so please pop them up to the office.

Are you able to help out on the night?

- ⇒ Entrance/Bingo book selling x 2 people
- ⇒ Raffle x 1 person
- ⇒ Refreshments x 2 people
- ⇒ Bingo number checkers x 2 people

If you are able to help, please sign up on the sheet outside the school office. Many thanks.

Our bingo caller is one of our parents and we have it on good authority that he used to be a professional bingo caller...to find out who he is, you will have to come along so hopefully see you there!

Thank you for your continued support.