

Swimbridge CE Primary School

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





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Swimbridge News

The week after half term
(Mon 11th June to Fri 15th June)

Mon: Yr R to SMCC for a multi skills festival

Tues: Guitars

Wed: Yr 6 Pubity talk, Flutes, Surfing wk 6, KS2

Thurs: Yr 6 Junior Life skills at Barnstaple Rugby Club

Fri: Yr 5 & 6 children to the Goldcoast Oceanfest, Croyde

A very warm welcome back to the final half term of this school year.





On Friday 25th May, before the half term break, we embraced our school values with a whole school 'Values in Action' day. The children really enjoyed participating in a range of different activities, clearly demonstrating wisdom, hope, community, dignity and love.

Huge congratulations go to the Inventors children who raised a whopping £441 for the Over and Above Charity. Julie Whitton, the charity's fundraising officer commented that "The children were absolutely amazing. They are all natural fundraisers and were brilliant at encouraging people to support the charity - they were so happy and polite. Afterwards, many of the customers and Tesco staff said how wonderful they were too. I cannot thank you and the children enough - you were all AMAZING!"

Some of our learning this week:

Adventurers have started their 'Under the Sea' topic, with a focus on the Octopus. They have enjoyed creating a sea creature to hang in our underwater scene.

Discoverers have been learning skills based around cricket, practising holding a bat and hitting a ball which they were amazing at!

Explorers had a great rainforest day exploring the adventures of Percy Fawcett, and setting up an expedition tent. They also made jungle slime and started to create their Amazonian tribal headdresses.

Inventors have begun designing the stage set, organising production roles and casting the main characters for their Summer Production of the Jungle Book.



Our Explorers went litter picking as part of an exploration to Saunton Beach. To everyone's surprise they managed to collect over 600 items of discarded rubbish in just one hour - a very thought provoking experience.

The Discoverers children demonstrated just how hard working and conscientious they are, as they looked after areas of the village carrying out a 'Green Team' challenge, with help from David Netherway and our parent and

grandparent helpers.

After their very busy cake baking morning, the Adventurers took their cakes to the

residents of Swimbridge Nursing Home, where they were treated to a story telling session and enjoyed singing with Mr Reeve whilst he $\,$

played the guitar.



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Upcoming School Dates for your Diary

- Mon 18th June, HATS Day (selected yr 5/6)
- Tues 19th June, whole school photograph
- Wed 20th June, Surfing wk 7
- Thu 21st June, Sept starters parents evening
- Wed 27th June, Surfing wk 8
- Thu 28th June, 'moving up morning', SMCC & Park Community School Induction Days for yr 6's
- Fri 29th June, School Council ice cream sale 3.15pm
- Wk/com Mon 2nd July Parent/Teacher consultations

- Fri 6th July, Sports Day from 1.30pm followed by our PTFA Summer Fayre until 4.30pm
- Tues 10th July Full Governors Meeting, 7pm
- Wed 11th July, Surfing wk 9
- Thurs 12th July (2pm), Fri 13th July (6pm) KS2 Performance
- Wk/ com Mon 16th July Activities Week (details to follow)
- Wed 18th July, Surfing wk 10
- Wed 25th July, Leavers Assembly, 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



AQUATHLON

Congratulations to all of our children who took part in the Ilfracombe Aquathlon on Friday 25th May. The children swam and ran the full course, showing effort and determination throughout. They were all fantastic, tried their hardest and behaved impeccably at the event — a wonderful experience for all who participated and an inspiration for those watching.

TARKA TENNIS

Some of our Discoverers enjoyed a tennis tournament on Wednesday of this week at Barnstaple's Tarka Tennis Centre. They won 16 of their matches against stiff competition, played with confidence and represented our school with pride. Well done!



THANK YOU

The Inventors would like to say thank you to Mrs Cook (Erin and Isabel W's Great Grandma), for coming into school on Tuesday afternoon this week to talk about her life during the 2nd World War. The children were able to ask lots of questions and the personal information they received, together with the patience and kindness of Mrs Cook has truly supported their learning in this topic.

ADVENTURERS STAFFING

As mentioned in a previous newsletter, I had hoped that Mrs French would be back with us this half term. I am currently unable to give any update regarding her return, but in the meantime, I am delighted to inform parents that Mr Reeve will be covering in Adventurers Class for as long as we need him for the remainder of this term. I would like to reassure parents that I have been very working very closely with Mr Reeve and Mrs Elliot and I will be writing the Adventurers reports and completing their EYFS assessments on Mrs French's behalf.

HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENTS

Unfortunately, we are still waiting for 20 Home School Agreements to be returned. These forms were due back on 18th May. If you require a new form or have any questions regarding the agreement, please pop into the school office as soon as possible.

Homework

Adventures: Daily reading please. Draw and label your own octopus.

Discoverers: Homework will start next week, so please just ready daily.

Explorers: Rainforest shoeboxes, spellings, time tables and reading.

Inventors: Daily reading, spellings and maths workbooks please.



PTFA News Page

BBQ and Summer Fayre, Friday 6th July 3pm-5pm

We are planning to run the following stalls:

- BBQ
- Golden box
- Lemonade stand
- Tombola
- Welly Wanging
- Penalty shoot out
- Sponge the teacher in the stocks
- Sweet stall

In order to be able to run these stalls we need the following help and donations:

Donation prize for welly wanging stall/sponsorship of stall

Tombola items: these items can be as cheap & cheerful or as expensive as you like (eg: tin of soup, baked beans, box of chocolates, bottle of wine etc.), please ensure all items are still in date.

Teddy Tombola: please bring in any unwanted teddies (big or small & in good condition) in their search for their forever, lovable new home!

Donations of items to support the BBQ: ketchup, napkins, onions, chees slices, sausages, burgers, buns

Offers of help to prepare the stalls on the morning of sports day

Offers of help to run the stalls

Many Thanks,

The PTFA Committee

Other Forthcoming Events:

- School Council ice cream sale
- Sports Day, Summer Fayre & BBQ
- Phil-the-Bag collection
- PTFA AGM

Fri 29th June 3.15pm Fri 6th July 3.15pm w/c Mon 9th July Thu 4th Oct, 7.30pm





Swimbridge Primary School:

The 'Phil-the-Bag' Recycle Day



ease bring your bag(s) to school by 9am on or before the collection day. Many thanks in advance!