



Swimbridge C of E Primary School



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Swimbridge News

The Week Ahead

(Mon 25th - Fri 29th Sept)

Mon:

Tues: Guitars

Explorers Stone Age Day
 Mindstorm @ West Buckland
 School (9 x yr 6 children)

Wed: Flutes

Yr R, 1 & 2 Parents Reading &
 Phonics Session 3.20-4pm

Thurs:

Individual pupil photos

Fri:

What's been going on in our School

Adventurers have been 'On the Move'; creating vehicles out of large blocks. They have all enjoyed staying for lunch this week in preparation for being full time next week.

Discoverers have thoroughly enjoyed designing their own Viking Longboats, including a terrifying figure head.

Explorers have made a human timeline, learning about AD & BC. They have used the laptops to design fantastic front covers for their themed books.

Inventors enjoyed a fantastic dance lesson this week, choreographing and performing motifs for their first music genre (pop).

Homework

Discoverers: Spellings & number bonds.

Explorers: Reading & spellings.

Inventors: Collecting Viking art images, reading & spellings.

School has been music to my ears this week as the children have been learning new songs and for our Harvest Festival on Tuesday 3rd October. We will be holding the service at St James Church in Swimbridge and hope that parents (and grandparents) will be able to join us for our Harvest celebrations from 2pm.

Thursday 21st September was the International Day of Peace. In family groups, the children marked the occasion by sharing the picture book 'Peace at Last' by Jill Murphy. They then reflected on what Peace meant to them.

From next week our Reception children will be in school full time. This will mean that there will be an increase in the number of vehicles trying to park near to school in the afternoon. Can we kindly remind all those who drop off and collect from school, that parking on the yellow 'zig-zag' on the road by the school entrance is prohibited for the safety of all.

A vacancy has arisen for Clerk to Governors here at Swimbridge School. The post would suit someone who has administrative skills or previous clerking experience, and is for 4 hours a week, term time only. Please see Mrs Bull in the office if you are interested in the post.

Next Wednesday, Year R, 1 & 2 parents are invited to stay at school from 3.20pm-4pm for an informative reading & phonics session with Mrs French and Miss Matthews. A TA will be available to supervise children playing to enable parents to attend.

We would like to wish all the children taking part in the Gliddon & Squire North Devon Cross Country race on Sunday the best of luck. Thank you to our parents for organising the teams and making participation possible.

The school photographer will be in the Community Room from 8.30am on Thurs 28th September to take individual and family photos. Pre-school children are welcome to have their photos taken between 8.30-9am with their older siblings so please report to the office on the day to facilitate this.

A photograph of our Reception class will be appearing in the annual North Devon Journal 'First Class' supplement on Thursday 5th October.

The school website is frequently being updated with information for parents, so please do take a look if you have an opportunity and feed back to the office if there is anything you would like to see included as we continue to add to the site.

Upcoming School Dates for your Diary

- Yr 5 & 6 Skern Lodge information evening 3.20-4pm, Mon 2nd Oct
- Harvest Festival, 2pm Tues 3rd Oct
- PTFA AGM in the Community Room 7pm Wed 4th Oct
- Yr R to Yr 4 Flu vaccinations from 1pm Tue 10th Oct
- Adventurers, Discoverers & Explorers Class open mornings, Tues 17th-Thurs 19th Oct
- Skern Residential Tue 17th-Fri 20th Oct
- Break up for half term, Fri 20th Oct



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PTFA News

Dates For your Diary

- **PTFA AGM: Wed 4th Oct 7.30pm
- *Autumn Disco: Fri 3rd Nov Jubilee Hall
- *Phil the Bag: Wk commencing Mon 6th Nov

A very big thank you to all the families that attended the Wistlandpound sponsored walk last Sunday. It was a great day, made even better by great weather. If you have any outstanding sponsor money, could you please drop it into the school office. Thanks.



We are still looking for parent reps from each class to assist the committee with events throughout the year. No one has to commit to every event, just help out where possible.

If you are interested in being a parent rep, please pop into the school office for a slip or see one of the current committee members outside school at drop off or pick up.

Don't forget you can keep up to date with all our events by joining the Swimbridge School PTFA FaceBook page.

