

Lew Trenchard C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter - 15th November 2019

Together We Grow in Wisdom and Serve with Joy

Dear parents/carers,

Another busy week of learning here! We began the week by thinking about Remembrance in Collect Worship on Monday. Later in the week, we had a visit from Pudsey Bear (thank you Pudsey), which the children loved. Our Year 4/5 cross country team were a real credit to the school by showing great resilience, despite the weather, at the Castle Drogo event and were also very well behaved (a huge thank you to Louise and Andy for their help with transport and hot chocolate and to Louise for the training preparation). Toddlers and preschool have been loving messy play throughout the week and also playing with cardboard boxes. Great Links and Yes Tor enjoyed their Wildtribe session, Fox Tor have been continuing their DT and science learning through Farmvention, Brentor are learning about the explorations of Ernest Shackleton, focusing on the geographical aspects in particular, and Oke Tor have been exploring and creating war poems.

<u>Toddler Group</u> – Toddlers next week will *Sticker fun!* Please see the website/Facebook page or ask Justine for the activities list for the rest of the term. This is a lovely group of parents and toddlers/babies, which meet on Mondays mornings (9am-11am) and Friday afternoons (1.15pm-3.15pm) during term time with the fantastic Justine, with a love of messy play, it is usually a good idea to bring along a change of clothes! Each session is £2.00 and takes place in Yes Tor. Please bring your own snack. We hope to see you then!

<u>SpaceLab</u> – Following the success of last year's visit, we have booked SpaceLab for Tuesday 19th November.

<u>Open Day for September 2020 intake</u> – We have an Open Day/Stay and Play session on Wednesday 20th November from 1.30pm, please let the office know if you would be interested in joining us for this.

<u>Christmas Fair and Disco</u> – The Christmas Fair and Disco this year will be held on the evening of the 6th December 5-7pm at school. Disco in aid of year 6 end of term day trip. At the fair there will be Santa's grotto, tombola, refreshments, raffle, cake stall, bric- a-brac and more. Please let us know if you have any other ideas or can help on the night.

<u>Polar Express film night</u> – Thursday 12th December 3.30pm reception to year 6, £2 entry to include hot chocolate and cookie. Hot dog 50p, sweets and popcorn 20p. Please purchase tickets from the office or any FLS members. Please bring P.j's, blanket etc for after school.

<u>Last Day of Term</u> – This is Wednesday 18th December, we will return to school on Tuesday 7th January.

<u>School Money Payments</u> – A reminder that all payments for School Dinners should be made in advance, or paid off in full *weekly*. If you have any issues with payment or access to the website, please see the office and they will help where they can. Please could we ask that any outstanding monies be paid as soon as possible.

<u>Fire Safety Talks</u> — Unfortunately, the Fire Safety talks were postponed due a member of their staff being ill. We will be re-arranging this, and will let you know a date as soon as possible.

<u>Jumble Sale</u> – The FLS are organising a Jumble Sale for the 30th November at the Lewdown Victory Hall, if you are available to help on this day, please let us know, we really do appreciate all the help we can get at these events and it is this help that ensures these events are a success. If you have any donations of jumble items (Clothes, Bric a Brac, Toys, Shoes etc), these can be handed in at school, and will be collected for storage

elsewhere. Alternatively, if they are setting up in the hall the night before, items can be dropped there then, just please let us know that you are planning this.

<u>Christmas wreath demonstration and workshop</u> door and wreath decoration demonstrated by UK Florist of the year 2019 Caroline of Fleurtations, followed by the opportunity to create your own centre piece for your front door or table. Sunday 1st Dec (limited spaces), tickets £20. Including – foliage, base structures, candle and ribbon. Additional accessories will be available. Light refreshments – mulled wine and mince pies.

<u>Free School Meals</u> – A quick reminder that Free School Meals not only entitle your child to Free School Meals, but can also provide the school with extra funding for your child to go towards other areas of learning. If you think that you may be entitled to Free School Meals, even if your child brings a packed lunch every day, you can follow either of the links below:

https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal_live

<u>P.E Kit</u> – Please can parents support their children in remembering their P.E kits for P.E. This takes place on a Wednesday (Zumba) and Thursday (Argyle). Children will need shorts/leggings, a t-shirt, trainers and a jumper if the weather is cooler. It is also a good idea for children to have a bottle of water at school, especially on P.E days.

Wildtribe Kit -

Please can Yes Tor and Great Links ensure that they have Wellington boots, a coat and old clothes every Monday for the whole of this half term for these outdoor learning sessions.

<u>Pilates – Wednesday 6.30pm with qualified instructor Elize in the school hall. £5 per session no need to book.</u> Please note this is not an after school club but is for adults.

Celebration Awards: Week beginning 2019

	Good learner of the week	Values in Action
Yes tor		
Great Links		
Fox Tor	Mia – motivated and driven.	Elle – consistent kindness and generosity.
	Alfie – determination and independence.	Amelia – being part of our class.
Brentor	William – resilient and resourceful learner.	Rosie – kind and caring.
Oke Tor	Macie – Resourceful.	Beth – supporting other with their learning.

Yes Tor: Star of the week: Otto

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 19th November – Whole School Space Day Wednesday 20th November – Stay and Play for September 2020 intake 1.30pm Tuesday 26th November – Fox Tor Bristol Trip Saturday 30th November – Jumble sale Sunday 1st December – Christmas wreath workshop Friday 6th December - Christmas Fair and Disco Tuesday 10th December – Christmas Performance Wednesday 11th December – School Christmas Dinner Thursday 12th December – Polar Express film night Friday 13th December – Christmas Jumper Day

<u>An Daras Vacancies</u> – Please follow the link for information on vacancies within the An Daras MAT http://www.andaras.org/web/vacancies

School Dinners – Please can all Dinners be paid in advance of at least a week via School Money * Sickness and diarrhoea - If your child experiences an upset stomach, they should be kept off school for a minimum of 48hrs, in order to minimise the spread the illnesses * Morning drop-off - Children should be at school in time for the bell at 9am. If your child is ill, or will be in late, please could you make sure that you contact school (01566 783 273) so we can inform class teachers. If your child is not in school by 9.30am, and we have not received a message, they could be registered as late, and this will affect their attendance * Wet Weather Coats - please ask that all children come to school with appropriate outdoor clothing – water proof coats for all children please, and wellies for Yes Tor. * Comments for Governors - If you have any comments or suggestions for the school Governors these can be placed in the red box outside of the office * An Daras Vacancies — Please follow the link for information on vacancies within the An Daras MAT http://www.andaras.org/web/vacancies







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