

Dear Parents/Carers,

HALF TERM – MONDAY 27 MAY TO FRIDAY 31 May

A reminder that half term is next week, Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May inclusive.

SATS WEEKS

Our Year 6 and Year 2 pupils have been focussing on their SATs – well done to everyone concerned, you have all worked very hard.

SCHOOL GATEWAY

We are working towards becoming a cash-less environment here at school and one way that parents/carers can help is to sign up to School Gateway. Once signed up parents/carers are able to make online payments using the School Gateway app or website. By signing up you are helping school save time, and more importantly, money on administration, as well as reducing the amount of cash being carried by children on school premises. Alongside this, we are also able to text/email out to parents – a quicker and more cost effective way of communicating with you. So please help us by signing up to the app or website via www.schoolgateway.com – click on “New User” and follow the prompts.

Please note that from September we will ask that all payments are made via School Gateway.

CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS – WEDNESDAY 5 JUNE

Class photographs will be taken during on Wednesday 5 June. Please ensure your child wears their school jumper/ cardigan on that day. Thank you.

PTFA SUMMER FETE

Our annual Summer Fete is fast approaching– please save the date – Friday 14 June from 5.00pm to 7.00pm. The event is a fun few hours which we hope all our school community will enjoy again this year. The hard-working PTFA are busy organising lots of stalls and new activities – letters and draw tickets have already been sent home and keep your eyes out for their posters. They also need more volunteers. It takes around 50 volunteers to staff all the stalls, so if you could spare an hour or two, please speak to your child’s class teacher or a PTFA representative.

INTERNET SAFETY

Please can we ask you to monitor your child’s activity on the Internet. With regards to social networking sites there are recommendations regarding the minimum age at which children should access these sites which, for example, for Facebook and Instagram is age 13. If you need any information about keeping your child safe online, are puzzled by parental controls, or would just like to know more about online gaming, there is a very useful website <http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

SCHOOL UNIFORM

- Footwear – children should be wearing sensible school shoes whilst in school.
- School jumpers with our school logo should be worn
- Black or grey trousers, shorts or skirts (no leggings) or blue check summer dresses
- Children with long hair should wear it tied up – plain hairbands please
- No nail varnish!

Also with the weather improving – hopefully! – can we ask that children have suncream applied at home, ideally 8 hour protection cream, and bring a named sunhat into school.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Overleaf are dates for your diary, some you may already be aware of, some of which are new. Please read through carefully and make a note at home of anything which involves your child, such as sports mornings, or trips.

Have a good half term break and we will see you all on Monday 3 June.

Miss Caren Brooks
Head teacher

Dates for your Diary

Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May	-	Half term week
Monday 3 June	-	Year 6 Swimming starts today – don't forget swimming kit!
Wednesday 5 June	-	Class Photos are being taken today
	-	Donkey Sanctuary visiting Foundation Stage and KS1
	-	Nicky Lewis from West Exe School meeting with Year 6 parents – 3.30 pm
Friday 7 June	-	Year 3 Super School Sleepover!
Monday 10 June	-	1/2 Miss Shields class - visiting St Thomas Library
Tuesday 11 June	-	Year 6 – Exe Valley Challenge Practice Walk
Wednesday 12 June	-	Reception visit to Bicton Park
Thursday 13 June	-	Year 3/4 Sports Morning (approx. 9.00 am to 11.00 am)
Friday 14 June	-	Summer Fete – 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm
	-	Last payment for Year 4 Dartmoor residential due
Monday 17 June	-	Year 6 – Life Skills Course
	-	Reception to Year 5 – P.E. Fundraiser event – information to follow
	-	Meeting for Reception Parents regarding moving up to Year 1 – information to follow
Wednesday 19 June	-	Year 4 Dartmoor Residential – Meeting for parents (3.30 pm to 4.00 pm)
Thursday 20 June	-	Class 3/4 PW - Class Assembly
Monday 24 June	-	1/2 Miss Lawes class – visiting St Thomas Library
Sunday 30 June	-	Exe Valley Challenge event
Sun 30 June to Weds 3 July	-	London Residential
Monday 1 July	-	1/2 Mrs Bates/Mrs Ward class – visiting St Thomas Library
	-	Meeting for Year 2 parents – Moving to Year 3 – 6.30 pm to 7.00 pm
Thursday 4 July	-	Year 6 Transition Day – Year 6 spend the day at their chosen secondary school
Friday 5 July	-	KS1 Sports Morning (approx. 9.00 am to 11.00 am)
Monday 8 July to Friday 12 July	-	Year 4 Dartmoor Residential (8-10 July and 10-12 July)
Monday 8 July	-	1/2 Mrs Amofa class – visiting St Thomas Library
Tuesday 9 July	-	Reception Sports Morning (approx. 9.00 am to 11.00 am)
Monday 15 July	-	1/2 Miss Leigh class – visiting St Thomas Library
	-	Year 6 Production (afternoon and evening performances)
Friday 19 July	-	Year 6 Haven Banks Day
Tuesday 23 July	-	Last day of Summer Term
Wednesday 4 September	-	First day of the Autumn Term