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Dear Parents,

We have had a very busy term once again. Mrs Bligh, our SENDCO, will be retiring from Furzeham Primary School at the end of this week. Hilary has worked tirelessly at this school for 6 years for all of the children. In particular, those children needing a little more support with their learning and personal development. Hilary has worked in education for over 40 years in different roles and helped and supported hundreds of families in that time. She will be dearly missed. I'm sure you will wish her well in her retirement and wish her every happiness with her ever increasing family.

Mrs Wakefield will also be leaving us at the end of this term. Mrs Wakefield has worked at Furzeham Primary School for 15 years and has supported children with their learning and pastoral needs. We will miss her bubbly personality and wonderful caring approach to children. We wish her well for the future.

### **New staff**

We are proud to announce a new SENCO, Mrs Shuttleworth, who will be joining us at the beginning of summer term. Mrs Shuttleworth is a very experienced SENCO and we are excited for her to be joining our team.

### **Music Festival**

On the 28<sup>th</sup> March our choir performed at the International Rivera centre in Torquay. We performed two songs from the Lion King and the children were absolutely fabulous. We are all so proud of them.

### **Red Nose Day – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March**

Well done to our brave teachers- Miss Shears, Mr Ward & Mr Bennett who 'volunteered' to have wet sponges thrown at them, our Y6 girls - Lilly, Isabelle & Lauren for organising the 'Sponge a Teacher' event and the colouring competition and our Y6 boys for setting up and organising the 'Penalty Shoot-out'. Tia and Annabelle for selling cakes after school and all the children and parents who baked and sold the cakes during the day.

A BIG THANK YOU goes out to everybody for raising £540 for Red Nose Day. Well Done!



### **Science Week**

In Science week, Miss Wilkinson organised the 'Keepy Uppy' challenge and the children created marble runs using recycled materials.

Well done to all the finalists in the 'Keepy Uppy' Challenge ....and the winners of The Marble Run challenge were Ms James' & Mrs Bower's class.

### **Boys and Girls Football Matches**

The girls have done fantastically well this year. 16 girls have played competitive football for the first time, an amazing achievement. Considering lack of experience to win two games and lose another two games by only one goal shows what progress they have made throughout the season. The main aim for the girls is to enjoy the sport and hopefully carry on playing as they get older.

The Year 3/4 boy's football team have had a brilliant season. We have finished 3rd in the league, which is an amazing achievement considering this is the first year we have had a team for this age group representing our school. The entire team have trained and worked extremely hard all season, remaining exceptionally positive even after some very tough matches. The confidence of the team has improved massively which has really shown during each of our fixtures, both home and away. Well done everyone, I am extremely proud of each and every single one of you, and so is everyone at our school. As always, a huge thank you to the parents who have supported us throughout the season.

Please check out the Football blogs on the School Website. Thank you.

### **PTA CAKE SALES**

Cake sales organised by the PTA will be held between 21st April and 19th May every. Each week a different class will be asked to provide or bake delicious treats and cakes for the sale. The dates for each class are listed below in the diary dates section.

### **Community wake and shake**

Starting Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April, Mr Ward will be running a 'Community wake and shake' This will take place in the bottom playground. 8.45-8.55am every Friday. Everyone is welcome!

## World Book Day

We really enjoyed World book day, dressing up and sharing our favourite book characters. We all took part in an assembly and lots of us did a book swap, photo competition and started a sponsored read.

Well done to Summer & Barnaby for winning a book prize each for their photos of reading in extremely unusual places!

## Easter exercise

A big thank you for Mrs Milton and Mr Bennett for running the 'Easter eggercise' on 28<sup>th</sup> March. Our children and staff thoroughly enjoyed it.

## Parking

Because of the physical layout of the school premises and in order to promote healthy lifestyles, we request that if it at all possible, parents and children walk, cycle or scoot to school. If you are delivering or collecting your child to or from school by car, please do not use the road outside the school's main entrance adjacent to Furzeham Green. This area can become very congested at the beginning and end of the school day, and cars present a serious hazard to pedestrians, particularly young children. It is extremely important that low speeds of approximately 5 miles an hour are used.

Residents of Nelson Road are asking parents to be aware of the Bin men collecting rubbish on a Thursday afternoon, the bin lorry is struggling to get through when parents are parking by the green to collect children hence rubbish is not collected. Thank you.

## SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS

Miss Walker is collecting the Active Kids vouchers this year. The vouchers help to buy much needed equipment for the children in school. There is a collection box situated by the school office, please ask Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles, neighbours and friends who wish to donate to our school. Thank you.

## **Diary Dates**

30<sup>th</sup> March BC Yrs 5/6 Mrs Wilkinson's Class Rounders  
31<sup>st</sup> March **Last day of Spring Term**

18<sup>th</sup> April **Non-pupil Day**  
19<sup>th</sup> April **First day of Summer Term**  
20<sup>th</sup> April Class 4/5 out all day on a beach trip  
21<sup>st</sup> April Mr Bennett and Miss Morley's Class Cake Sale  
27<sup>th</sup> April Mini marathon years 3/4/5/6/ CFGS all day  
28<sup>th</sup> April Miss Armstrong and Miss Smoothy's Class Cake Sale  
1<sup>st</sup> May **Bank Holiday**  
3<sup>rd</sup> May Tri golf year 3/4 BC 12.45- 2.30pm  
5<sup>th</sup> May Mr Ward and Mrs Wilkinson's Class Cake Sale  
8<sup>th</sup> May **SATs Week – KS2 – Year 6**  
10<sup>th</sup> May Mr Ward's Class at BCC - technology session  
12<sup>th</sup> May Miss Gentile and Mrs Bower/Miss James Class Cake Sale  
18<sup>th</sup> May Archery year 5/6 Brixham Archers all day  
19<sup>th</sup> May Mrs Hewitt and Miss Shears Class Cake Sale  
Mr Ward's Class at BCC - technology session  
24<sup>th</sup> May Mr Ward's Class at BCC - technology session  
26<sup>th</sup> May Furzeham's Got Talent  
29<sup>th</sup> May May Half-term Week  
5<sup>th</sup> June **Return to school**  
9<sup>th</sup> June Summer Fair  
14<sup>th</sup> June KS1 Sports Day  
15<sup>th</sup> June KS1 Reserve Sports Day  
15<sup>th</sup> June Multi-Skills and Kwik Cricket  
21<sup>st</sup> June KS2 Sports Day  
22<sup>nd</sup> June Flame Festival and Kwik Cricket  
23<sup>rd</sup> June Reserve KS2 Sports Day  
29<sup>th</sup> June Canoe Festival and Kwik Cricket  
5<sup>th</sup> July Year 5 Open Day at Brixham College - Wednesday 5th and Tuesday 11th July 9-12pm.  
6<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Induction Day for Brixham College and Churston Grammar School  
7<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Induction Day for Brixham College  
11<sup>th</sup> July Year 5 Open Day at Brixham College - Wednesday 5th and Tuesday 11th July 9-12pm.  
12<sup>th</sup> July Summer Show  
14<sup>th</sup> July Provisional date for the Year 6 Leavers Prom Disco  
20<sup>th</sup> July Leaver's Day  
21<sup>st</sup> July **Last Day of Term**

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