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Spring Term Newsletter No.06

Friday 31st March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the final newsletter of the spring term. It has been a term packed with learning, fun and activities, so I think we are all looking forward to a welcome 2-week Easter break with our families.

Last week across both schools, parent consultations took place, which were well attended. Thank you for taking the time to speak to your child's class teacher – a joined-up approach from home and school has never been more important in our quest to help children achieve to the best of their ability. If, for any reason, you were unable to attend your consultation, please let the school know and your child's teacher will be happy to call you after school early next term.

This week saw some of our intrepid year 5/6 children return to Uffculme; however, this time they were not practising sports skills, or competing in tournaments...they were putting movements to music and words supported by the excellent PE Sport Leaders at Uffculme. Whilst this event definitely took some out of their comfort zone (me included!), it was very heartening to see children displaying the **creativity** and **courage** required to perform in front of others. The session culminated in an original dance piece performed by each school group in front of everyone else. I am very proud of all those children who chose to take part.

On Monday this week, both schools were visited by the Director of Education, Mrs. Rachael Sharpe and the Chair of the Alumnis Board, Mrs. Gill Marlow. They visited to see how our two schools are progressing with our improvement priorities and to speak with children about their learning...and boy did they speak! 😊 As always, when visitors come to our two schools, the children show us every time how truly special they are. Children in our two schools really are *shining stars*, and it is a genuine privilege to lead such talented staff teams and such polite, committed children, who take pleasure in sharing their learning and celebrating their achievements.

Recently, both schools have undergone Safeguarding Reviews conducted by the local authority. These yearly reviews take place to ensure that everything we are doing in school supports the Safeguarding of children, and that the school and its environment is helping to keep children safe. I am pleased to report that both schools' reviews showed that

Safeguarding at both schools is robust and effective.

Continuing with the Safeguarding theme, I am very happy to share with you news that both schools will be receiving upgrades to the systems for entry and exit to school. Next term, Webber's and Burlescombe will both be receiving new, secure entrance gates with an intercom system. This is part of a wider drive to ensure that both schools' sites are as secure as they can be and further upgrades will be taking place in the future.

In the summer term, after school clubs will continue with both teacher-led and Premier Sport-led clubs. I am pleased to confirm that the successful after school club Stage School will continue for KS2 children in the summer term, so be sure to book in early as spaces will be limited and are sure to fill up fast. This club will continue to be open across both schools. I am also pleased to be able to announce at Webber's a new, musical *before* school club – Choir Club – do have a look at the advert in the community section.

Please could I remind children and parents that water bottles in school should contain water and not squash or juice – thank you.

Look out at Burlescombe early next term for a 2nd hand uniform sale – date to be confirmed – with proceeds going to our charity partner Edukid.

Finally, it would be remiss of me not to mention our fantastic day out at Paignton Zoo yesterday. There were a lot of tired, little legs at the end of the day, but boy was the walking worth it! Children saw a variety of different animals from zebras and red pandas to a baby orangutang (who was impossibly cute) and giraffes. Each Key Stage also enjoyed a different themed workshop with KS2 enjoying Conservation Conundrum, KS1 going on an African Safari and EYFS taking on a Curiosity Quest.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank both Burlescombe and Webber's PTFAs for funding the considerable cost for the coaches required to take the children. The fundraising work they do is integral to the enrichment of your child's education and is very much appreciated by children, staff and governors alike. If you are interested in helping the PTFA and joining the team,

please speak to Emma Forward or Sophie Cornish, co-chairs of the Webber's PTFA, or Claire Davis, chair of the Burlescombe PTFA.

The Webber's PTFA are hosting an event this afternoon, and I hear there may even be an Easter Egg hunt – please do attend and support if you are able. Also, Burlescombe PTFA's ever-popular Easter Chocolate Bingo is on tonight at Burlescombe Village Hall. Doors open at 6.30pm with eyes down at 7pm. Please do attend this popular event, if you are able.

I hope you have a lovely, relaxing Easter break with your family, and I look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 17th April.

Kind regards,



Head Teacher

[Communications sent out since last newsletter](#)

Industrial Strike Action Letter – both schools
 Exmoor Challenge Letter – Webber's only
 Conjunctivitis Guidance – both schools
 Paignton Zoo Trip – both schools
 Cross Country Cancellation Letter – both schools
 Yr5/6 Introduction to Dance Event – selected pupils
 Year 6 Uffculme Summer School – both schools
 Yr1/2 Swimming Lessons – Webber's only

This week's **TEAM POINT** winners are

WEBBER'S: ASH

BURLESCOMBE: KINGFISHERS



STARS OF THE WEEK

WEBBER'S		BURLESCOMBE	
Class 1	Emilia	Acorns	Jack P
Year 2	Alarna		
Class 2	Tyler	Squirrels	Kelsey
Class 3	Oliver	Oaks	Miriam

Diary Dates

Friday 31 st March	Burlescombe	BPS PTFA Easter Chocolate Bingo – Burlescombe Village Hall Eyes Down 7pm
EASTER HOLIDAY - Monday 3rd April – Friday 14th April		
Mon 17 th April	Both Schools	Return to school 8.40am
Wed 19 th April – Fri 17 th April	Year 3/4 both schools	Wildside Residential
Tue 2 nd May	Year 5/6 both schools	Rounders Tournament – Uffculme School 3pm-5pm.
Tue 9 th May	Year 3/4 both schools	Tri-Golf Festival – Uffculme School 9.30am-11am
Tue 9 th May - Fri 12 th May	KS2 SATs assessment	Grammar, Reading & Maths assessments
Mon 15 th May	Year 5/6 both schools	Quintessence - Plough Theatre Torrington

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Class 1

In class 1, we have been being **inspiring reseachers**, reseaching Antarctic animals. The children were also **inspiring speakers** presenting their findings to the class. We all learn so much, even Mrs Hunter! Here are just some of the children's wonderful homeworks.



During Science week, we identified micro-habitats in our school environment.



We then went on to make our own mini habitats in a tray. We even made our own animals.



Class 2

Class 2 has been a hive of activity over the last couple of weeks. We have immersed ourselves in Science Week activities and have had opportunities to bring our learning to life. We practised skills linked to classifying, predicting, and hypothesising and then got creative! We ensured fair testing and then were all excited to see how our volcanoes would erupt! Ask your child to let you know how we got on!

In art, we have continued our William Morris focus and have created our own printing blocks. Taking inspiration from nature, in the style of Morris, we worked patiently to design a block printing tile which we will use during the next few days, to produce a wonderful, bright, bold piece of art.

Literacy this term has been an exploration of kenning and haiku poetry. We have worked hard composing our own poems, paying careful attention to the individual features and characteristics of each. RE this term has offered us the opportunity to explore the emotion associated with events from the Easter Story, and we have written reflective Easter prayers, capturing the blend of celebration and loss felt during this Christian festival.

Have a peaceful and relaxing break Class 2; you deserve it.



Class 3

Class 3 really enjoyed Science Week 2023. We began the week learning about the history of the solar system and what our ancestors believed, including heliocentric and geocentric models and by researching astronomers. The children then designed and built water rockets in small groups. The designs and ideas were fantastic! On launch day, we quickly attracted an audience as the children from Classes 1 and 2 joined us on the field (from a safe distance!) It was a wonderful atmosphere as we watched the rockets fire off high (or not!)- all competing for first place!

We were incredibly proud of the children in Class 3 for standing in front of the whole school during Collective Worship this week. We have been focusing on the virtue 'citizenship' and the children researched, recorded and presented their understanding about British Values (Democracy, The Rule of Law, Mutual Respect, Individual Liberty and Tolerance of those of different faiths) in small groups. The children gave incredible presentations, spoke confidently and were able to reflect upon how we show our British values as a school. Mr Roffey, Mrs Sharpe (Director of Education) and Mrs Marlow (Co-Chair of the Alumnis board) were also in the audience to see how well the children spoke. Well done for another credit towards becoming Inspiring Researchers and Inspiring Speakers Class 3!

Well done for all of your hard work and dedication this term Class 3. We hope you have a well-deserved, lovely Easter holiday.



Acorns

Acorns have had a fantastic last 2 weeks of term. Reception and Year 1 have been learning some animal poems and were courageous enough to perform one in collective worship to the rest of the school. Year 2 write some fantastic poems from the point of view of an animal - we are putting them on display so you will have to keep a look out for them! We were very lucky to have a visit from Mrs Marlow who has been to Antarctica! The children were able to ask lots of questions and have been inspired to become explorers themselves. We combined topic and technology and had to programme the Bee Bots to navigate across Antarctica, missing any hazards in their way. Despite the weather, we have spent lots of time outside and the children all worked together to make a lovely Easter garden as part of our RE. Acorns Class thoroughly enjoyed our trip to the zoo yesterday and would all like to say a massive THANK YOU to all involved in organising it for us - it was a great end to the term :)



Squirrels

Children in Squirrels class have been working very hard on completing the year 3 and year 4 unit on fractions in maths. With terminology such as numerators and denominators to learn about, and the equivalence of fractions, it has been challenging at times. However, **perseverance** and **determination** have shone through with successful adding, subtracting and comparing of fractions.

In English, children finished the term by writing a short story of their choice. This gave them the chance to exemplify some of the grammatical skills we have been focusing on this term such as the use of paragraphs, fronted adverbials, subordinate clauses and different types of adverbial phrases to create different effects on the reader. I have some lovely holiday reading to complete over the Easter break! 😊

Oaks



Over the past two weeks Oaks' class have been creating non-chronological reports all about various Mars rovers to coincide with the book we have been studying; Curiosity, the story of a Mars rover. We have researched, planned and created our final reports and have enjoyed our creations thoroughly. We can all now say that we are not only non-chronological report geniuses but our knowledge of Mars exploration is outstanding! We hope you all have a wonderful Easter holiday!

Community Section



Burlescombe PTFA

Invite you to join us
for

Easter Bingo

Raffle, Refreshments & Easter Prizes

Friday 31st March 2023

Doors open 6:30pm
Eyes down 7pm

At Burlescombe and Westleigh Community Hall



Introducing Webber's KS2 Summer Term Choir



Calling all singers!

Come along and give it a go!

Be part of a team, learn new skills, learn great tunes!

Have fun!

This will be run as an Early Morning Club with a nominal fee of £2 per week (all proceeds to go directly to the PTFA). Children are invited to be dropped off punctually on Tuesdays at 8.05am for an 8.10am start. As we will be working towards a final performance, we kindly ask that both children and parents commit to a full term.

Please let me know if you are interested as this would be helpful for those running the choir to gauge numbers.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. The choir will start from the second Tuesday of the summer term (Tuesday 25th April).

Rupert Egerton-Smith

Pianist & Composer

rupert@rupertesmusic.com

Easter Holiday Club

3rd - 6th & 11th - 14th April



Suitable for all School aged Children between 4 & 11 years old.
HAF funding accepted.

- Outdoor Adventure Days
- Campfire Cooking
- Day Trips
- Arts & Crafts
- Sports
- and much more

Book your space now!

0800 - 1600

0800 - 1800

Lunch included



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EASTER TECH CAMPS

This Easter, join us for an awesome tech experience, with lots of exciting activities from programming challenges, Robot Coding, Photoshop Skills, Minecraft, DJ mixing and LEGO Engineering.

We are running on 3rd - 6th April 2023 and 11th - 14th April 2023 at Wellington School, TA21 8NT from 9 am to 4 pm each day (Early drop off from 8 am now available).

The main themes for each day are the following

Bot Builders and Coders

Meet our Robots and learn visual coding and programming skills that make them come to life! Kickstart your career in STEM as you navigate your robot, create games and explore new challenges. This is a great activity to help develop problem-solving skills.

Engineering

We challenge children to create new inventions using modular electronics, helping to develop their problem-solving skills. PLUS, Music Maker activity.

Media Madness

Unleash your inner creative genius and create your own music or start and produce your own film! The opportunities are endless on our media day!

Circuitry

Flex your circuitry skills and build buggies, alarms, light sensors and more.

Creative Tech

Digital art, rocket propulsions, wearable technology, Augmented Reality, Virtual Reality and Laser Tag. A fun-fuelled tech day awaits.

Our camps are for ages 5-13 only. Spaces are limited, for more information, please see the attached flyer or to enrol now simply visit:

<https://www.nextthing.education/product/wellington-school-easter-camp/>

NEXT THING EDUCATION CAMPS PRESENTS

Easter 2023

Coding

Learning

Inventing

TECH HOLIDAY CAMP

Ofsted Registered

WELLINGTON SCHOOL

South Street, Wellington TA21 8NT
Ages 5 - 13, 9 am - 4 pm daily

FIND YOUR NEAREST CAMP ON OUR WEBSITE
www.nextthing.education

NEXT THING EDUCATION CAMPS PRESENTS

EASTER CAMPS 2023

3RD - 6TH APRIL

Coding & Robots

Circuitry & Inventions

Creative Technology

STEM Engineering

Tech Fun

Example weekly theme only, please see website for your camp specific activities

Movie Making | Video Game Design | Robot Coding | STEM Experiments | Engineering

3RD - 6TH APRIL 2023 *4 DAYS

LIMITED SPACES, BOOK NOW!

Early drop off available! from 8 am for £10.00

"Wonderful Time"

"Our son had a wonderful time at Tech Camp, he was so proud of the song he made and mixed together himself and couldn't wait to play it for us when we collected him."

★★★★★

How to book

STEP 1
SCAN THE QR CODE

STEP 2
FIND YOUR NEAREST CAMP

STEP 3
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PREMIER EDUCATION TAUNTON HOLIDAY CAMPS

Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th April
Venue: Cottford St Luke PS, TA4 1HZ

Easter Activity Holiday Camps

£24.00 all day | 9.30am-3.30pm

MULTI-SPORTS ACTIVITY DAYS

What we will be up too:

Easter Games- Egg hunts, Egg and Spoon Races and Bunny Hop Sack Races are just a few of the Easter games we will be playing!

Dodgeball- Working as a team, children will work together to try and hit the other team with their dodgeballs!

Nerf Games- Children will be split into teams where they will build unbreakable forts to take cover from the other teams!



Other activities :

Gymnastics- Children will get to express movement and their strength through our gym sessions!

Arts and crafts- A chance for children to take a break from all the running around and relax! A time to meet new friends.

Football- One of the more classic sports we run. Children will be put in team to play a 5-a-side games.



Hot school lunch provided, please bring your own soft drinks! Please wear sports/casual clothes. Childcare vouchers accepted!

How to book:
Online- www.premier-education.com
Call Andrew- 07778 108281

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PREMIER EDUCATION TAUNTON HOLIDAY CAMPS

Tuesday 11th, Thursday 13th April 2023
Venue: Cottford St Luke Primary School TA4 1HZ
Time: 9:30am- 3:30pm Price £21.00 each day

What we'll be getting up to...

Tuesday 11th April: Gymnastics- Spend the day learning new gymnastic techniques from our amazing qualified gymnastic coaches.

They will support you doing new rolls, balances and stands. Enjoy making routines in pairs and small groups which will be presented later in the day. Try out all the school equipment!



Childcare vouchers accepted

The fun doesn't stop there...

Thursday 13th April: Taekwondo, Nerf and Dodgeball- Patterns, hand attacks, blocks and self defence are just a handful of taekwondo techniques children will learn from our coach Sharon. Sharon is a level 3 taekwondo coach and her club recently won gold and silver at the National Taekwondo Poomsae championships!

The children won't just be coming home as little ninjas from the day. They'll also have an afternoon of our famous nerf and dodgeball games! Where they will make unbreakable forts and work hard as a team!



Please wear sports/casual clothes, bring a packed lunch and soft drinks.

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PREMIER EDUCATION TAUNTON HOLIDAY CAMP

Wednesday 12th April 2023
COTFORD ST LUKE PRIMARY SCHOOL TA4 1HZ

A RUNNING CLUB MORNING

Information of the morning:

Lead Coach- Ben Tull, our activity professional, will be leading our running club morning. Ben runs the Watchet Whippets Running Club and competes in a lot of local running events. Ben also competes as part of the British Duathlon team.

What's the plan- The morning will consist of a lot of different running activities where children will be able to compete against each other! The children will also learn about correct running techniques and learn how to pace themselves during longer distance races.



£12.00 | 9:30am-12:30pm

Please bring lots of soft drinks! This club will be outside please wear casual clothes/sports kit.

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Cottford St Luke Primary School TA4 1HZ
Wednesday 12th April 2023

FOOTBALL ACTIVITY DAY

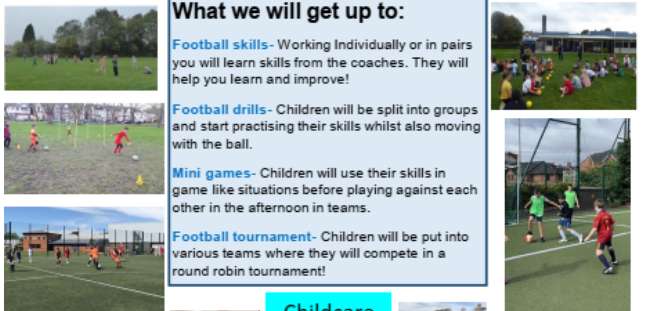
What we will get up to:

Football skills- Working Individually or in pairs you will learn skills from the coaches. They will help you learn and improve!

Football drills- Children will be split into groups and start practising their skills whilst also moving with the ball.

Mini games- Children will use their skills in game like situations before playing against each other in the afternoon in teams.

Football tournament- Children will be put into various teams where they will compete in a round robin tournament!



£21 ALL DAY! | 9:30am-3:30pm

Please bring your own lunch & lots of non fizzy drink. Please wear casual/sports clothes.

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**PREMIER EDUCATION
TAUNTON HOLIDAY
CAMPS**

Tuesday 11th - Friday 14th April
Venue: Wilcombe Primary School, EX16 4AL

Easter Activity Holiday Camps

£21.00 all day 9.30am - 3.30pm



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