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Summer Term Newsletter No.05

Academic

Assessment week has commenced for all year groups in school apart from year 2 and year 6 (they completed their assessments in the recent national SATS examinations). Teachers use this summative information to inform the formative end of year judgements that your child receives in their report, which are currently being written by teaching staff (it's not just children who have to go through the proofreading process!). We aim to release the end of year reports to you on the last Monday of this term (17th July) to give you and your child a chance to read through the teacher's comments and to make a comment of your own. If you do wish to

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pleased to report that the weather did not get the better of us during Webber's Sports Day last Tuesday, which was a roaring success – thank you to Mrs. Hunter for leading the event. Burlescombe's Sports Day is this Monday at 9.30am on the field in Bray Close – hopefully, see you (and the sun) there.

Community

Our new intake children have completed 2 of their 5 pre-September visits. It has been lovely to welcome these children into school, where they have had a brief taste of school life and the exciting times ahead for them. The next new intake visit coincides with Shift-Up Day, which is next Tuesday 27th June.

Plans are well under way for each schools' summer BBQ (dates in the diary section). Paul Flowers, Alumnis CFO, has kindly donated the funds to hire a bouncy castle for each event. Do come along at the end of term if you are able, as not only do these events raise money for the PTFA, but they are a great way to round-off the year in school.

Character

I am pleased to report that children in year 6 from both schools have successfully completed their Bikeability training, which gives them the basic tools they require to help them cycle safely on our roads. It is easy to forget what a daunting experience it can be beginning to ride on the main road (as well as incredibly exciting from an independence point of view), which is why it was lovely to see such **determination** and **confidence** from children, who were not only successful, but also had a great time.

I have some exciting news to share with you: two of our schools in the trust have received the Character Mark Plus award. This is awarded to schools and colleges that can demonstrate that they take an explicit, planned and reflective approach to the cultivation of positive character qualities in their pupils in the interests of human flourishing. Lyndsey Bolton, Character Lead for Alumnis, is working with leaders from our other 7 schools, so we can ensure all children benefit from this exciting, holistic approach to educating children and preparing them for life as a Global Citizen.

Innovation

This week sees the culmination of the Year 6 Enterprise Project – thank you to everyone who has had their car washed, or who has bought a delicious Crosses ice-cream from our intrepid year 6 entrepreneurs. All the money raised will go towards the y6 trip to Exmouth, where children from both schools will spend the day together swimming, bowling and partaking in other fun activities. Please look out for the letter asking for permission for your child to attend, which will be sent out soon.

Over the past two weeks, we have been treated to some piano performances in Collective Worship at Webber's from children who are learning to play the piano. Thank you to children who **volunteered** to share their talents.

Messages

- We are not setting homework this week due to it being assessment week, so do use the time to have some fun in the sun with your child(ren).
- If you are joining us on Bray field on Monday for Burlescombe's Sports Day, please bring your own chair, or mat to sit on.
- The PTFA would like to thank everybody who came to the Webbers Dance Anthem Night, an amazing £1004.53 was raised! Well done and thank you to everybody involved.
- We would like to remind parents that the school gates are closed at 9am. If your child comes into school between 9 and 9.15am they will be marked as late (before register closes). If they come in after 9.15am they will be marked as late (after register closes) If this is the case, it will be classed as an unauthorised absence.
- Mrs Verrall would like to remind all pupils who attend the Creation Club on a Thursday afternoon that next week (29th June) is the last one.
- Please can I remind parents whose children received an award last year to return them to the school office as soon as possible. We need to arrange for them to be engraved.

Oaks

Abigail

This week's **TEAM POINT** winners are WEBBER'S: Oak **BURLESCOMBE: Swans STARS OF THE WEEK** WEBBER'S **BURLESCOMBE** Class 1 Elliot Acorns Bea Year 2 James D **Squirrels** Class 2 Lilah-Mai Oscar

Class 3

All of Year 6

Diary Dates		
Fri 23 rd June	Stage School children	Day at Wellington school with an afternoon performance
Mon 26 th June	Burlescombe	Sports Day – 9.30am
Mon 26 th June	Yr1/2 Webber's Yr1/2/3 Burlescombe	Swimming at Tiverton Pool
Tue 27 th June	Both Schools	Shift Up Day
Tue 27 th June	Both schools	New intake children Induction Day 3 9.10am – 12pm
Tue 27 th June	Webber's	Girls' Football – Uffculme School 3.15pm-5pm
Mon 3 rd July	Webber's	New intake children Induction Day 4 9.00am – 1.10pm
Mon 3 rd July	Yr1/2 Webber's Yr1/2/3 Burlescombe	Swimming at Tiverton Pool
Tue 4th July	Burlescombe	New intake children Induction Day 4 9.00am – 1.10pm
Tue 4 th July – Thurs 6 th July	Both schools – year 5/6	Year 5/6 residential to London
Fri 7 th July	Both Schools	Non-school uniform day for donation to BBQ Tombola
Mon 10 th July	Webber's	New intake children Induction Day 5 9.00am – 3.30pm
Mon 10 th July	Yr1/2 Webber's Yr1/2/3 Burlescombe	Swimming at Tiverton Pool
Tue 11th July	Burlescombe	New intake children Induction Day 5 9.00am – 3.30pm
Thurs 13th July	Both Schools - year 6	Pool Party at Bampton Pool 1pm-3pm

Thurs 13 th July	Burlescombe	PTFA Summer BBQ
Fri 14th July	Both schools	INSET
Mon 17 th July	Both Schools	Yr6 Cream Tea 2pm-3.15pm
Tues 18 th July	Yr6 Both schools	Enterprise Trip to Exmouth
Thurs 20 th July	Webber's	Awards Ceremony 9.30am – 11am (in the marquee on the school field)
Thurs 20 th July	Burlescombe	Awards Ceremony 2.30pm-3pm (in the school hall)
Fri 21 st July	Webber's	Leavers' Service 9.30am-11am (at All Saints Church)
Fri 21 st July	Burlescombe	Leavers' Service 2.30pm-3.30pm (at St. Mary's Church)
Fri 21 st July	Webber's	PTFA Summer BBQ

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Class 1

Academic

The children in Year 1 have worked really hard on their assessments this week and seemed excited to do them - particularly as each one had a different picture on the front cover! Great perseverance has been shown by them all, well done.

We have also been learning about the life cycle of a frogs after watching our frogspawn develop over the last 2 months. So far, we have released 14 fully grown frogs into our pond.

The children wrote an explanation of the life cycle of a frog making sure they included some scientific vocabulary within their explanations.

Community

Class 1 and Year 2 really loved welcoming their families to our shared reading session outside in the sunshine, on the field. Please look on the windows for photos.

The children are excited to complete their reading challenge and earn an outdoor fun session with ice lollies during our usual phonics and guided reading session, if they complete the challenge. Why not find some where different to read this weekend and tell us about it on Monday?

Character Education

We had a brilliant sports day on Tuesday and the children in Class 1 showed great cooperation in all the relays especially getting and out of the sack during our jumping been relays.

Innovation

Some of our Year 1s have joined forces with the Reception children to build a fantastic castle to play in out of large loose parts in our EYFS garden; children had a lot of fun playing in it.

Year 2

Academic

We have begun our PSHE learning this week on the topic, 'Changing Me'. We have had many interesting conversations about how things around us change and discussed our feelings towards changes that we cannot influence, such as the seasons or us getting older. We talked about how everyone feels different about changes, even adults, but we were able to reflect positively, and it was special to share our ideas with each other in such a supportive environment. As part of one of our sessions, we had to try and guess who our friends were from their baby photos! This was a lot of fun and we couldn't believe how much some people had changed whilst others looked very similar.

Community

We enjoyed sharing our love of reading last week with our families on the school field. As the sun shone down on us all we took some time to share some stories together, hiding in cosy tents, lying on rugs and relaxing under the trees in the shade - it was a wonderful morning. The launch of our summer reading challenge has also fired up a new eagerness in us all to keep on practising our reading at home and we have already collected lots of stamps on our reading challenge cards. Keep up the fantastic reading Year 2!

Character

Year 2 have shown many of our Character Virtues in their learning this week, especially respect. We have taken great pride in our learning environment with class job monitors taking their roles very seriously. We have also enjoyed helping others, especially during group tasks and at playtime. We have treated our friends and teachers with great respect and especially focussed on listening carefully to our peers when they have been sharing their ideas.

Innovation

We have been extremely engaged in our learning this week in English and have written some very persuasive letters to our teachers! We began by working together to think of arguments as to why 'pets should be allowed into school for the day'! Through collaborative working and teamwork, we created a large bank of innovative ideas. It was superb to see the children also linking their arguments to our character virtues. It was very clear to see that our pets are very well loved and an important part of our communities at home.

Class 2

Academic

This week has seen us delve further into ancient Egypt and begin to understand the role of the Pharoah and the qualifications you need to rule in Egypt. Some of us are aspiring to be leaders and this gives us an insight into what we need to do!

Character

Our focus for the next few weeks is cooperation and we have already been given the opportunity to explore just what this looks and feels like. We are able to recognise how we need to make ethical decisions and work together to complete tasks.

Community

Class 2 thoroughly enjoyed Sports Day this week and were proud to share the experience with their friends and families. Children have been working hard in PE lessons and gave a great show of all the skills they have been practising.

Innovation

On our journey to become independent, lifelong learners we have continued to use research and investigation to explore electricity. We are beginning to understand how the environment can be affected by our actions and how our understanding of this can help us to begin to tackle nationa and global issues.

Class 3

Academic

It was wonderful to show off some of the exceptional Year 6 writing during a writing moderation earlier this week. The moderator was impressed with the children's use of detail and description in their writing and their use of sophisticated grammar and punctuation. She also commented on how successful children were when writing for a range of purposes: letters, reports, narratives and diary entries. Well done! The Year 5 children are completing assessments this week and next week: so far, they have worked incredibly hard and progress looks great!

Character

With Sports Day this week, it is a great time to be focusing on cooperation for the development of our character. Children worked brilliantly together- it was wonderful to see them cheering for, and supporting, one another. We were really proud of the Class 3 children who supported the rest of the school: they sorted equipment, set up races and had a huge range of responsibilities. We are lucky to have such dedicated helpers.

Community

For the last two weeks, Year 6 children have been spending their afternoons washing cars in the staff car park. This has been part of their Enterprise Project- they have been raising money for a day trip to Exmouth near the end of term. Thank you so much to those of you who have had your car washed - we have had some very happy customers! Thank you to our wonderful teaching assistants and to Kelly Parkinson who offered to come in and supervise too. Year 6 have also been selling ice creams to raise funds - tonight is the last opportunity to buy an ice cream after school, so please come and support us. :)

Innovation

Class 3 completed some incredible artwork this week which will be entered into the Children's Art Competition run by The Mid Devon Show. They were given the topic 'Wildlife'. It was really exciting to see the different ideas that they came up with and the variety of mediums that they chose to use. All of the final pieces were excellent and each piece was unique.

Acorns

Academic

Acorns have continued enjoying their learning centred on Where The Wild Things Are. This week, the year 1 and 2 children have been planning and independently writing their own fantasy stories. Maths has been all about money for year 1; we have been recognising, ordering and sorting coins and notes. Year 2 have been focused on statistics; having a go at drawing their own pictograms, block diagrams and tally charts. Our science unit on animals has certainly piqued the interest of the whole class. EYFS enjoyed discussing their favourite animals. They went on to draw a picture and write a fact they knew about their chosen animal. Year 1 and year 2 have been 'Inspiring Researchers', using their laptop to answer questions and research animals.

Community

Acorns class have been thinking this week about how we can be 'Inspiring Volunteers' in our school and local community. The children have decided that they would like to do some weeding around the school grounds and organise a litter pick - please keep an eye out for further details! Acorns class are all looking forward to Sports Day on Monday and hope to see lots of our school family there to join in all the fun.

Character

Children have worked hard to go above and beyond to demonstrate our current focus virtue of cooperation. There has been a buzz around Burlescombe School the last few weeks with our newly appointed 'Virtue Detectives' who are tasked with looking out for and nominating children for our character recognition awards across the school; these children are becoming 'Inspiring Young Leaders' by ensuring our character virtues are being recognised in our everyday actions and are at the centre of all we do. Well done to Jack R and Isaac BS who are the Acorns Virtue Detectives.

Innovation

EYFS children used Where The Wild Things Are as stimulus to innovate their own story - Where The Alien Things Are. The children have worked really hard on designing their own aliens and using lots of 'wow' words to describe them. Children have also been writing their innovated story - they have certainly been 'Inspiring Skillbuilders' this week as it is the longest piece of writing they have done - they should all feel very proud of their fantastic achievement.:)

Squirrels

Academic

We have started our new unit on time in maths this week. It has been fun discussing how long it takes to do activities - there seem to be very different ideas about how long it takes to get dressed in the mornings! In English, we are looking at formal and informal letters, based on our class text Dragon Post.

Community

Children in Squirrels are getting very excited about Sports Day coming this Monday and looking forward to welcoming members of our school community to the event. We hope to see you there!

Character

As part of World Oceans Day last week, Squirrels learned about pollution in our seas and the devastation that it has caused to the coral reefs and the wildlife. They wanted to do something about it and so they decided to write to the Prime Minister – the letters were sent off last weekend and we await a reply!

Innovation

We have been looking at a visiting African Land Snail this week and thinking about ways to watch how it moves and eats. Children decided to place the snail on the window to be able to see it clearly. The snail seemed to enjoy his visit as much as we liked having him!

Oaks

Academic

This week, after finishing off our news reports, we have begun our new book in English: Life Doesn't Frighten Me by Maya Angelou. We have already read the book and have enjoyed it immensely. We have

spent this first week digging into the text; reading and analysing the language, the impact it has and we have started memorizing it through the use of drama - the year 6s put on a lovely performance for us by acting out the book from start to finish!

Community

This week, we have continued to be focused upon our Enterprise Project - washing cars and selling ice creams - the Year 6s have thoroughly enjoyed doing this! Thank you to all of you who signed up to have your car washed or have purchased an ice cream. :)

Character

This week, we have been focused on 'respect'. We have been exploring what this looks like and in doing so, we have realised that respectful acts are easy to do and cost nothing but go a really long way!

Innovation

We started this week off by completing our news reports - we wrote these reports on an event that happened in 1979 - a family's daring escape from East Germany to West Germany. Our innovation skills have been put to the test, and we have all successfully created our very own report on this daring event!

Community Section

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









PREMIER EDUCATION £21.00 SUMMER HOLIDAY Monday 24th to Friday 28th July Monday 31st July - Friday 4th August

Monday 7th – Friday 11th August & Monday 14th August

GILBERT

Venue: Wilcombe Primary School, EX16 4A **MULTI-SPORTS ACTIVITY DAYS**

What we will be up too:

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Hot school lunch provided and please bring your own wear sports/casual cloth









£21.00 all day

PREMIER EDUCATION **SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMPS**

uesday 15th, Wednesday 16th & Thursday 17th August 2023 Tuesday 22nd, Wednesday 23rd & Thursday 24th August 2023

Venue: Cotford St Luke PS, TA4 1HZ

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Other activities :

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

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

Childcare vouchers accepted!

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How to book:





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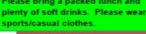
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3:30pm

Thursday 31st August Gymnastics

Work on swinging, climbing and

handstands with our coaches.

jumping as well as cartwheels and

Thursday 31st August 2023 Venue: Cotford St Luke Primary School TA4 1HZ

GYMNASTICS HOLIDAY CAMP

Thursday 31st August **Gymnastics**

day

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.



lease bring a packed lunch and



Childcare









