



2nd November 2018

Dear Parents,

We hope you have all had a really good half-term and are fully charged for this jam packed term ahead. Please keep a watch on our website, newsletters, texts and e-mails to keep you up to speed with the very full timetable.

Unfortunately Mrs Byrne has broken her ankle and so has not been in school this week. Obviously it will be a little while before she is mobile again but we are keeping in touch and have sent her best wishes from everyone for a swift recovery. In her absence Mr Mitchell, Mrs French or Mrs Sims-Stirling will be looking after the day to day running of our schools, so if you have any queries please contact them through the school office as usual.



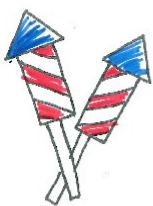
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Mufti Days –

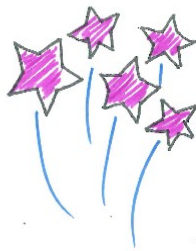
We are very aware that each of these “special treats” comes at a price for all you hardworking parents. We just want to say that the timing of these occasions was out of our hands, however we understand the financial pressures that raising children does present. Each occasion is for a different cause and we understand if you wish to send in a sum to suit.

School Lunches -

Our lovely Kitchen Manager Mrs Hodges will be treating the children to a special Bonfire Menu on Monday. Please see the detail below. Thank you in advance.



Monday
5th
November



Banger in a Roll

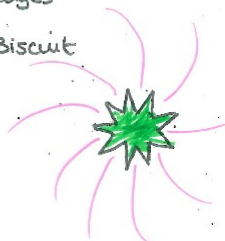
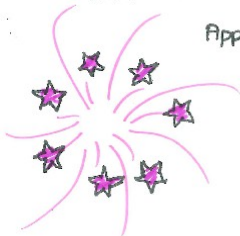
Butternut Squash Pasta Bake
cheese Rocket Star Sandwich

Barbecue Beans
Sweetcorn
coleslaw

Bonfire Baked Wedges

Iced Catherine Wheel Biscuit

Apple juice.



Termly Learning Conferences

A gentle reminder that the Termly Learning Conferences are taking place in school so there are no after school clubs running next week.

KS2 Cross Country

On Wednesday our flock of runners headed off to Filham to compete against other local schools. A full report will be revealed next week.

Year 5 – Marjons Maths Day

5 of our Year 5 children joined Mr Mitchell at Marjons as part of the Maths for the Millions project on Wednesday. They took part in various activities with children from other participating schools and came back buzzing. Thank you to the lovely parents who provided transport.

Year 3 trip to Kents Cavern

Today our Year 3 children across the Federation visited Kent's Cavern as part of their studies. We can't wait to hear how they got on.

Year 3-6 Art – bring your pebble!

A reminder from Mrs Cloke that each child needs to bring in a pebble to paint next week during their Art lesson. The pebble should as flat as possible, and be at least as big as the palm of the hand. Thank you for your help with this.

Children in Need

On **Friday 16th November**, we will be going SPOTACULAR for Children in Need! Children may come to school wearing "spots" with donations for this charity.

Poppy Appeal

WW1 CENTENARY

The Legion is marking the centenary of the First World War (2014 to 2018) with commemorations in the UK and Republic of Ireland with a focus on Remembrance, education and legacy. To support this occasion we will be "**wearing red**" for the day, on **Friday 9th November**, with a suggested donation of £1.00 for this special cause. Thank you for your support. Poppies will be sold in school each day with a respectful donation please.

Nasal Flu vaccination – 16th November

We know what a muddle this has been for you all through no fault of your own, but please be patient and see if you can reach the portal before this date.

Naming items – purses/wallets

Can we please urge you to name everything sent in to school, including purses or wallets that may be used for Flapjack Friday money. It can be distressing for children who drop or misplace their money, and it often takes some time for us to reunite owner and money (if at all) as so many are not named. Mrs Carlton has quite a collection now, some empty, some not, so if you have lost one please go to the office.

Special Award Certificates for this week:

Year R – **Bear B**
Year 1 – **Molly-Mae B & Tilly B**
Year 2 – **Bea V**
Year 3 – (carried over)
Year 4 – **Lexi M**
Year 5 – **Miya T**
Year 6 – **Joshua P**

Out of School Achievements –

- **Isla C** – achieved a trophy for being the most responsible Cub at Cub Camp, great work Isla.
- **Eli G and Dexter G** have both completed their '**Tennis for Kids**' course – well done to you both
- **Remy H** – has passed her Stage 4 Swimming Award, fantastic news Remy.

Letters home this week (copies available on our website):-

- **Year 4** – Egyptian Day @ Ugborough 12.11.18
- **Year 5** – Viking Day 14.11.18
- **Year 2** – Buckland Abbey 21.11.18

ESFA Update:

Year 5 Cake Sale Monday 5th November

This month it is the turn of Year 5 to hold their cake sale during breaktime; all cakes are 50p each and the money raised will be used to purchase classroom resources so please support the sale! Any leftover cakes will be sold at the end of school.

KS1 Entertainer and Tea Party and KS2 Disco – 15th November 2018

On the 15th November, Billy Wiz will be bringing his magical entertainment show to the school. Starting at 3.30pm with a party tea for Reception, Years 1, 2 and 3 children, Billy Wiz's show will run for an hour and end at 5.15pm. Entry will cost £4 per child and will include a party tea and drink and the magic show.

The Disco for Years 4, 5 and 6 will then follow at 6.15pm until 7.15pm, and entry will again cost £4 per child and include hot dogs, unlimited juice, a glo-stick and treats.

Everyone should have received a letter with further details before the half term break. Please complete the consent slip and return along with payment to the school office by Friday 9th November.

Volunteers Needed – Tea Party and Disco

We are really looking forward to these events, but we do need plenty of help at both to ensure things run smoothly. Therefore, if you are free on the 15th after school we would be very grateful if you were able to help at either the Tea Party or Disco, or both if you are very keen! Please email esfa_devon@hotmail.com if you can help, thank you.

Class Photos

A reminder that our ESFA photographers will be taking funny class photographs in the next couple of weeks which will then be sold at the Christmas Fair. If you do not wish your child to be photographed, please can you inform the School Office as soon as possible, thank you.

Easy Fundraising – Please Sign Up and nominate the ESFA as your chosen cause

We've registered with easyfundraising and we need your help!

Easyfundraising is a great website where you can help the ESFA raise funds simply by doing your everyday online shopping with over 3,300 big name retailers like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S.

Every time you shop, we receive a small donation to say 'thank you' and it's completely free too! We want raise as much as possible so please sign up and help us at

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/esfa/>

Open Meeting – Tues 6th November 7.30pm

We are holding an Open Meeting on Tuesday at our lovely Chair Elle's house on Tuesday evening. Top of the discussion list will be planning for the Christmas Fair and we would love to see some new faces get involved. Please email ESFA_Devon@hotmail.com if you would like to come along (and for Elle's address). Hope to see you there.

ESFA Dates for your Diary

Monday 5th November – Year 5 Cake Sale (Breaktime)

Tuesday 6th November – Open Meeting, 7.30pm (Elle Stewart's House)

Thursday 15th November – Tea Party/Entertainer & Disco (after school)

Wednesday 28th November – Wrap and Pack Evening 7.30pm

Friday 30th November - Mufti Day

Monday 3rd December – Year 6 Cake Sale (Breaktime)

Tuesday 11th December – ESFA Christmas Fair

Dates for your diary:

Date	Event
w/b 5 Nov	Termly Learning Conferences – no after school clubs this week
Mon 5 Nov	Yr 5 swimming
Tue 6 Nov	Yr 5&6 football @ I.C.C.
Fri 9 Nov	Poppy Appeal – mufti day (red theme)
Mon 12 Nov	Yr 4 @ Ugborough – Egyptian Day
Mon 12 Nov	Yr 5 swimming
Tue 13 Nov	Yr 3&4 football @ I.C.C.
Thur 15 Nov	ESFA party & disco
Fri 16 Nov	Yr R - 5 Flu vaccinations
Fri 16 Nov	Mufti for Children in Need
Mon 19 Nov	Yr 5 swimming
Tue 20 Nov	Ball Skills Festival @ I.C.C.
Wed 21 Nov	Yr 2 trip to Buckland Abbey
Mon 26 Nov	Yr 6 swimming
Tue 27 Nov	Yr 2 multiskills festival @ I.C.C.
Fri 30 Nov	ESFA mufti day
Mon 3 Dec	Yr 6 cake sale
Mon 3 Dec	Yr 6 swimming
Mon 10 Dec	Yr 6 swimming
Tue 11 Dec	ESFA Christmas Fayre
Tue 18 Dec	Christmas Lunch
Wed 19 Dec	1.30pm – Carol Concert/Nativity in the Church
Thu 20 Dec	Last day of Autumn Term (Toy Day)

Term Dates 2018/2019

2018

- Mon 3 Sep - Non Pupil Day
- Tue 4 Sep - Non Pupil Day
- Wed 5 Sep - First Day of Term**
- 22-26 Oct - Half Term
- Mon 29 Oct - Non Pupil Day
- Thu 20 Dec - Last Day of Term**
- Friday 21 Dec - Occasional Day (School closed to pupils)

2019

- Mon 7 Jan - First Day of Term**
- Fri 15 Feb - Non Pupil Day
- 18 – 22 Feb - Half Term
- Fri 5 Apr - Occasional Day
- 8-22 Apr - Easter Holidays
- Tue 23 Apr - First Day of Term**
- 27-31 May - Half Term
- Wed 24 July - Last Day of Term**
- Thu 25 Jul - Non Pupil Day