The Topsham School
Newsletter 38

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Friday 12th July 2024

Running Club Colour Run

On Tuesday, Running Club celebrated their final session of the year with a fantastic Colour Run! We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all the parents who have helped us this year, we are very grateful for your brilliant support.

Year 5 Bikeability

Well done to the Year 5 children who signed up completed their Bikeability Level 1 and 2 this week. They braved the wet weather at the start of the week and the instructors were amazed by their resilience, team work and their cycling techniques. They started the week on the playground but then got some invaluable road biking experience, which will help them travel to and from school.

Reports

Reports for children across the school will be sent out by Schoolcomms email later today along with results from national tests (where applicable).

Exeter City Primary Schools Euro 24 Tournament

Well done to the Year 3/4 football team that competed as the Netherlands at the Exeter City Primary Schools Euro 24 tournament. The team finished 3rd out of 8 in the group stage and went on to the semi-final, which was a great achievement. The children represented the school amazingly and were a real credit to the school. Thank you to Mrs Glover for accompanying the team.

Key Stage 2 Swimming

Key Stage 2 Swimming lessons are now underway and lessons take place from 10.30am-11.30am. Please can we ask parents to ensure their child has their full swimming kit with them at the start of the school day on the day their class is swimming.

The days each class will be swimming next week are as below:

Date	Class Swimming
Monday 15th July	Year 6
Tuesday 16th July	Year 3
Wednesday 17th July	Year 4
Thursday 18th July	Year 5
Friday 19th July	Year 6

Tempest Photography

The closing date for ***free delivery*** back to school is ***Tuesday 16th July 2024.*** Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk

A Message from Mrs Squire (Peripatetic Speech and Drama Teacher)…

Congratulations to the students listed below who took their exams on Sunday. They all enjoyed the experience and gained excellent results.

Felicity, Bonnie, Merryn, & Freddie all took their Grade 1 Poetry Speaking exam; each passing with Distinction

Louis D took his Grade 3 Solo Drama passing with Honours

Esme took her Poetry Speaking Silver Badge passing with Honours

All deserved their achievements due to their hard work this year.

Important changes to our catering at Topsham School

As you will now be aware, as of the new academic year, September 2024, we will have EduCatering as our catering partners for school lunches.

You can read more about EduCatering here: Educatering | By Goosemoor

Tuesday 16th July: A chance to try!
We would love for you to join us after school on this date, from 3.20pm, to try samples of the new menu, and ask the EduCatering staff any questions you have.
Miss White will also be present, so feel free to come and talk to us.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding Leads and Contact Information

Miss Maria White: Designated Safeguarding Lead and Headteacher. For any urgent safeguarding matters please email: safeguarding@topsham.devon.sch.uk. Please do not use this email for any other matters apart from safeguarding.

Our Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Amanda Lacey, Headteacher.

Safeguarding our children will always be a priority for everyone in the school. All staff are trained in how to keep children safe and alongside this we have our safeguarding team. Anyone of our staff can be contacted in relation to Safeguarding.
Level 3 trained staff are qualified to the same level as the Safeguarding Leads. In our school this includes our Admin Team and Miss Greygoose. Again, their details are on our website.

Safeguarding is EVERYONE'S business and we will always do our very best to keep our children safe.

If **any** parent has a safeguarding concern or query about ANY child within our community, please email for advice.

IF ANY ADULT FEELS A CHILD OR ADULT MAY BE IN IMMEDIATE DANGER YOU MUST CALL MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub) OR 999

"If you are worried about a child or young person in Devon and want to speak to someone, or if you are a child or young person worried about your own safety, please contact the MASH on ***0345 155 1071*** *or email mashsecure@devon.gov.uk and give as much information as you can.*

Peripatetic Lessons at Topsham School

Music Lessons

If you are interested in finding out more about music lessons or to sign your child up for lessons, please contact Music Devon using the details below:
http://www.musicdevon.com/
admin@music.devon.com
Or call during office hours on 01392 466390 (9:30 – 12:30 Monday – Friday during term time)

musicdevon.com

Speech and Drama Lessons

For information about Speech and Drama Lessons, please email Mrs Thalia Squire directly thaliasquire@icloud.com

PTA NEWS

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TODAY – "Frozen" Friday… You know the drill now – from 3.30pm you can buy an ice cream (£1) at the usual space.

OLYMPIC SUMMER FAYRE

And like last year, the rain did not stop the fun on our Olympic Summer Fayre. All down to the amazing community we have, that at last minute adapted to an all-indoor event.

A Big THANK YOU to:

- Year reps for leading on the stalls and organising volunteers (and putting together some amazing Olympic designs.

- Parent Volunteers that helped to run a stall.

- School Staff (teachers and admins) that helped organizing the event or running a stall

- The amazing Food Team (Joe, Alastair, led by Jemma and Lauren that have been preparing and cook for us for some years now; Year 6 parents that will be missed!)

- The fantastic Bar Team (Nikki and Catherine)

- All the families that attended and supported the fayre through donations and participation.

- The Sound Team (Paul and Ann)

- Our Sponsors (Van Guard)

- Emma Lamport (with her Perin and the Nautilus book) and Victoria Evans (from Smock Club)

The Summer Fayre is to raise funds for our school (around £1900 this year), but also to bring our community together, having fun and celebrating. So, we only hope that you had fun and enjoyed this end of year big event. We can only hope that next year we will finally have the weather to bring the Summer party outdoors.

Community News*

**Please be aware that clicking on links/following web addresses in this section may take you to sites that require payment for the activities advertised. The Topsham School does not endorse any products or events in this section.*

Date	Event
Friday 12th July	"Frozen" Friday
Tuesday 16th July	A chance to try EduCatering's food. From 3.20pm
Tuesday 16th July	Deadline for ordering Tempest Class Group Photographs
Tuesday 16th July	KS2 Performances during the afternoon and at 6.00pm
Wednesday 17th July	KS2 Performance at 6.00pm
Monday 22nd July	KS2 Swimming Gala 10.00am-12.00noon
Tuesday 23rd July	Y6 Leavers' Assembly 2.00pm
Wednesday 24th July	Break up for Summer Holiday (school finishes at 2.30pm and Twiglets finishes at 4.30pm)
Tuesday 3rd September	Non-Pupil Day
Wednesday 4th September	Children return to school after Summer Holidays