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Message from Mrs Denham

We are so very proud of our amazing Y2 children who will be having fun next week taking their Y2 SAT's. Like our Y6 pupils did, they have been working really hard in preparation for these 'tests' and the wonderful Y2 team, led by Mrs Gosling and Mrs Austen have been so resourceful and supportive to help make them as fun as possible. The children enjoyed using their Super Hero Powers and masks to read and answer the questions in their booklet this morning.

This is another reminder that the children are not in school next Friday 27th May as we break up for the half term holiday next Thursday 26th May. We then return to school on Monday 6th June.

We are so looking forward to our Jubilee Celebration next week and our trip to Saunton Sands- see below. Don't forget to make your crowns for Thursday.

- **SAUNTON SANDS**- we are thrilled that we can once again plan our annual trip to Saunton Sands this year with our partner school Holywell. We have not been able to go on this beach trip for the last 2 years due to COVID so children and staff are really looking forward to this fantastic day. We will send out a letter with more details shortly but we wanted to be able to share the good news with you asap. We aim to go on Wednesday July 13th. Our wonderful PTA have offered to help subsidise the trip and pay half the costs of the coaches. Therefore, we are pleased to say the trip will work out at £3.50 per child, with an ice cream included in the cost. This will be on Parentpay shortly and we will notify you when it will be live. We are looking forward to a day of digging sand castles, sunshine, games and fun.

- **QUEEN'S JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS - THURSDAY 26th MAY**

We are holding a celebration on Thursday May 26th for the Queen's Jubilee. On this day, children may dress-up as a King or Queen or dress in red, white and blue or dress in anything to do with the Royal Family.

During the morning, the children will enjoy activities within their classes.

At lunchtime, to celebrate we will be serving a special menu of Jubilee fish and chips and a Union Jack cupcake. We will also be serving the vegetarian option, Quorn nuggets. There will be no jacket potato option on this day.

In the afternoon from 2.30pm, parents are invited to join us on the top playground. EACH CLASS will form a love timeline of the key events that happened during the Queen's reign. We will finish with the whole school singing the National Anthem.

The PTA are very kindly going to organise some refreshments at the end of the day for us all to enjoy.

The children have also asked if we could have a crown making competition for each class. Therefore, we ask children and parents if they would like to make a crown at home using any materials and medium they would like. If a family would like their child to do this in school instead, please let us know. The crowns are to be brought into school on Thursday May 26th and will be judged during the celebrations.

For the Jubilee celebrations we would like to decorate the school and thought some of you might be able to help by lending us any Union Flags you may have or any red, white and blue bunting. If you are able to help these items can be dropped into the school office.

School News

The Devon Virtual Games Events hosted by Active Devon and the Devon School Games are holding a new competition this term.

The Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games will bring people together, so schools across Devon will try and 'skip to the games' and work together as a team. This skipping challenge is encouraging mass participation in schools and all year groups are taking part in school.

To ensure everyone "virtually" starts from the same location in Devon, Devon Virtual Games have done a little research to find the central point in Devon and this is CREDITON. The distance between CREDITON and the games is 170 miles which is equivalent to 340,000 steps. One skip equals one step and there are approximately 2,000 steps in a mile. We are going to all try and skip as much as possible to see if we can reach (or beat) 340,000 skips!

All children will have access to skipping ropes in school and can record their skips on paper with their name on it. This paper can be handed in to the box outside Class Taw (Miss Shapland's class) and the older year groups will start adding together everyone's totals each week. Children are also very welcome to record their skips at home and bring in their totals from this too.

We are excited to work as a team to complete this challenge.



Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

All parents and carers of our Year 6 pupils are invited to attend the 'Leaver's Assembly' which will be held in school, on Thursday 21st July at 2:00pm.

Year 6 - Pilton Transition Dates

Pilton will be holding transition days on the following dates:

Wednesday 29th June

Thursday 30th June

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<https://ventrus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Pupil-Privacy-Notice-2021-Final.pdf>

Free School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please go to the [Citizen Portal](#) which is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in an instant decision.

The Early Years and Childcare Service Summer Parents Childcare Survey is live and they need more responses from parents in our area. Help them to ensure that there is enough high-quality, affordable childcare available in Devon by taking part in their Summer Parents Childcare Survey. Even if you have participated in previous surveys, it is important to get your views now, so they can look at changes to childcare demands over time. Whether you currently use childcare or not, your voice counts. The survey is open until Monday 23rd May. Take part at: devon.cc/parents-childcare-survey

ParentPay

These trips are now available for payments to be made on ParentPay:

Gymnastics for Lyn Class

Year 2 Tennis Festival

Year 1 Multi Skills

Wilcombe Wobbler

Ventrus Job Vacancies

<https://ventrus.current-vacancies.com/v?id=VENTRUSMUL&t=Ventrus-Careers>

Bratton Fleming School is a NO NUT Zone

Dates for your diary

24th May 2022

25th May 2022

26th May 2022

27th May to 3rd June 2022

9th June 2022

15th June 2022

29th June 2022

29th June 2022

30th June 2022

1st July 2022

7th July 2022

8th July 2022

13th July 2022

20th July 2022

21st July 2022

22nd July 2022

Gymnastics Class Lyn

Yr. 1 Multi Skills Festival

Queen's Jubilee Celebration - Break up for Half Term

Half Term

Olympic Legacy at Park School

Yr 5 & 6 Tag Rugby at Park School

Yr 6 Pilton Transition Day

Yr 5 Cricket Festival at Barnstaple Cricket Club

Yr 6 Pilton Transition Day

Yr 3, 4, 5, 6, Torrington Aquathlon

Sports Day

Yr 6 Athletics at PCC

Saunton Sands trip

N.D. Football Finals

Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 2:00pm

Last day of Summer Term

Community News

The Thursday Café

Every Thursday afternoon from 2-4.30pm the Village Hall will open as a Café, serving hot drinks, cakes, biscuits and other bakes. If you wish to host one or more of our Thursday Cafés, either as a fundraising opportunity for a Charity of your choice or to promote your business, please get in touch with Frances Mortlock on 07751 454906 or visit www.BFVH.uk for more details.

