



# School **Update**

**Spring Term 2021- Week 4**

**Friday 29th January 2021**

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*The East Anstey School Newsletter*

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## Infant News



Hello everyone,

Can I start by saying well done for all of your hard work and engagement in your learning. I have had some super photos of your work and learning and some lovely celebration photos of snowmen, family walks and artwork. It's really appreciated and helps us to feel connected and still part of our school community. We have had some super story writing this week and fabulous maths.

Awards:

**Amethyst - Raffles** for an amazing story, finger spaces and punctuation.

**Gold - Ruby, Lily, Rory, Milo** - super maths and working hard on your story work this week.

**Silver - Callie** for joining in beautifully in our live lessons and sharing lots of news.

Have a wonderful weekend

Kind Regards

Mrs Yarney



**Place value**

Write the amount of money in each purse

				
2p	7p	7p	4p	8p

Draw the amount of money using 10p and 1p coins

				
12p	45p	36p	52p	24p

Think together

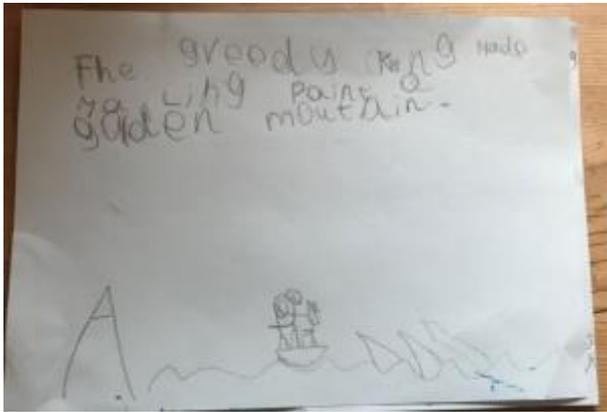
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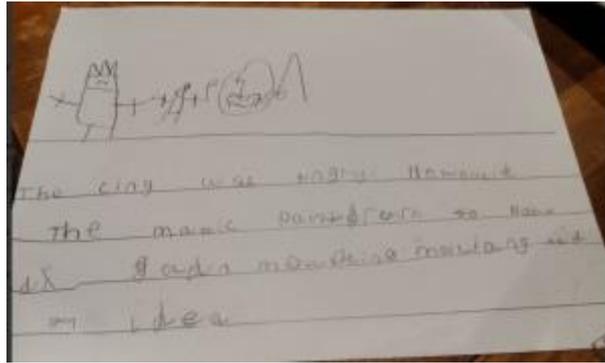


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## Junior News

Dear Families

Please see below my **achiever awards** for this week:

**Amethyst - Evie and Edward** for fantastic effort in our Plastic Pollution assignment this week. Very well thought out and written answers to the comprehension text, submitting their work directly to TEAMS and then their online engagement on Wednesday. I am very proud of how hard you are both working at the moment. Keep it up guys!

**Gold award - Sofia** for some excellent research for our 'though provoking' assignment challenge questions. Fantastic engagement online and for your confidence in sharing. Well done.

**Silver award - Henry** for online engagement. I love seeing you at our online sessions. You pay such good attention and have fantastic answers and thoughts to share. Thank you.

**Silver award - Jesse** for superb writing in Literacy this week. You have used inspired vocabulary and imagery in your writing. I also love how you are developing your self-editing skills and correcting those spelling mistakes. Keep up the good work, I'm very proud of you.

Have a lovely weekend everyone,

Kind regards

Mrs Scandrett

## Cleanse and Clean Action Campaign

'Plastic Free North Devon' are a local environmental charity started by volunteers who want to reduce the impact of plastic pollution on the environment in North Devon and beyond. They are running a super competition that is open to all of our families. Please do get involved and have some fun!



The poster features a teal background with three circular logos at the top: 'CLEANSE + CLEAN' with a plus sign and waves, 'PLASTIC FREE NORTH DEVON', and the 'dryrobe' logo. The main text reads 'COMPETITION TIME!' in yellow, followed by details about the competition for ages 4-16, including instructions on how to enter and a closing date of 22nd February 2021. It also mentions that each action sent in counts as one entry into the draw. At the bottom, there are icons for a person in a wheelchair, a person walking, and a person on a bicycle.

**COMPETITION TIME!**

If you are aged 4-16 you can win yourself a fantastic dryrobe® Advance by taking part in our 'Cleanse and Clean' action campaign

Here is how to enter:

1. Go out for a cleansing activity as part of your daily exercise. e.g. a walk, cycle, surf or just a run in the rain!
2. Follow up that activity by giving back to nature with a clean.
3. Send photographic evidence of your clean, the location, your name and the name of your school to: [plasticfreenorthdevon@gmail.com](mailto:plasticfreenorthdevon@gmail.com) to enter the draw.

Closing date is 22nd February 2021

**EACH ACTION SENT IN = 1 ENTRY INTO THE DRAW!**

If you have access to social media share your action with us by tagging [@plasticfreenorthdevon](https://www.instagram.com/plasticfreenorthdevon) and [@dryrobe](https://www.instagram.com/dryrobe) and use the #cleanseandclean

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## Home School Survival Tips

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### Some Golden Rules...

1. **Start Home School.** Re-creating school at home is not straightforward but finding separation from learning time and relaxing time is important.
2. **Get into a routine.** We all need structure and this is still true when isolating at home. Setting up a daily timetable is a good way to make the structure work and get some quality bursts of learning taking place. Make your timetable and put it up so everyone knows the pattern. Split time into lessons and subjects so you can really concentrate.
3. **Do some PE.** Regular breaks and exercise can all add value to the Home School experience and break up the day.
4. **Don't Panic (Parents or Children).** Do what you can and do what works for you. The school will provide learning to help during closure but we understand the difficulties in accessing and completing this.

## Other Top Tips

- Trying to create a routine with a sticker chart for daily activities.
- Give a reward if all stickers are completed through the week – child to choose a treat at the beginning of the week so they have something to look forward to.
- Let the child have a day when they choose the order in which they complete the activities.
- Use a timer for short bursts of focus – followed by a short exercise or wiggle break.
- See if they want to do their teacher and share work for praise
- If younger siblings, get older ones to teach/read to them (and vice versa for confidence)
- Role play school (kids love a role play) have a bit of fun pretending to do a register or breaktimes. Younger children really like this.
- If your child wants to take their learning off on a tangent – go with it. Support them if you can and let them choose how they want to present their work (models, paintings, poems etc)
- Change the space where you do your learning if possible. A change of room can stop it feeling like a 'daily trudge'
- Try to include exercise (Joe Wicks or numerous online short clips) before trying to do afternoon learning. Getting active can help to refresh and reinvigorate.

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Remember, you're doing a great job :)

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## Photo competition Reminder

We have already had some wonderful entries to our Ogden Trust Photo competition but following the recent closure of schools and disruption the Trust have decided to extend the deadline to **Monday 8th February**. We will be judging the entries we already have but would also welcome more. So, if you missed the previous deadline get your cameras out and start shooting.









## General Information



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### *Current School Opening Arrangements*

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East Anstey Primary School is currently only open to the children of **Critical (Key) Workers** and those designated as **Vulnerable**. School transport is running as normal for these children. If you think you may be eligible for a place at school and would like your child to attend, please contact the office for more information. The school is currently **closed** for all other children until further notice. All previous arrangements for COVID 19 are still in place on site with distancing and hygiene measures fully in place. Visitors are not currently permitted on site unless by prior arrangement. Please note the National Lockdown regulations are currently in place.

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### *Nursery Opening*

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Nursery is currently open for all children. Please note that this applies to Nursery aged children only - not children in reception year. If you would like your child/ren to attend a session place, please contact the office for further information or email: [eastanstey@exmoorlink.org](mailto:eastanstey@exmoorlink.org)

**Blue Peter on YouTube...**



## Remote Learning

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### *Remote Learning Programme*

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During the last school closure, back in 2020, we developed our remote learning package quite extensively.

This time round, we have refined our offer and our plans going forward are outlined below:

#### **Aims**

We are aiming to provide **3-4 hours of quality remote education** for children on a daily basis.

We aim to provide a **wide range of learning opportunities and tuition** (including live lessons using Office 365 & TEAMS, access to teachers, links to the latest national provision, daily/weekly based and project based learning through our websites and the TEAMS platform).

We aim to enable **regular 2-way feedback** using our communication systems (such as ClassDojo).

We aim to **provide on-going support**, reviewing progress and what's working well/not so well at home

**Provision** Your class teacher will set remote learning on a weekly basis (setting packs and / or live sessions as appropriate).

We will send links to this Home Learning before Monday morning each week so that families can access their learning the following week. They will communicate when work is due, they may give you a suggested timetable and they will make contact with you as the week progresses.

We will celebrate success wherever we can and will put the latest good news into this newsletter each week.

## What's On

Although many of our school events will not be able to be held in our normal way, we are aiming to hold some of our usual termly activities via Microsoft TEAMS.

A list of dates for virtual events will be added below - please make sure your child's TEAMS access is still working as you will need that to access the online events. We are also increasing the number of communications we send home via TEAMS including messages, homework etc., so it is becoming increasingly important that you have access. Please contact us as a matter of urgency if you are having any difficulty.

***Forthcoming dates for your diaries:***

**March 2021**

***16th March 2pm via TEAMS - Open Afternoon***

***w/c 22nd March - Parent Consultations via TEAMS or phone call***

***30th March - Easter Assembly 2pm via TEAMS***

**Term Dates**

***Half Term Holiday - Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February (depending on school opening)***

***End of Term - Thursday 1st April***

Connect:



Do you have some good news for us or an advert you would like to share? Do you have some community news or would like to promote a project or event? Connect with our newsletter and reach a wide audience. Children, do you have something to share (book reviews, hobbies etc)?

- Email your news or adverts direct [news@exmoorlink.org](mailto:news@exmoorlink.org)

- Email the office [eastanstey@exmoorlink.org](mailto:eastanstey@exmoorlink.org)

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