School **Update**

The East Anstey School Newsletter

Summer Term 2020 - **Late June Edition**

Monday 29th June 2020

Welcome to the East Anstey Primary School newsletter. Our newsletter brings you our latest news and updates and also brings you information on our forthcoming events and initiatives. Our Good News section is where our teaching staff celebrate the learning and achievements of our amazing young people.

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Updates and Information

School Opening and the End of term

Current Opening

The school continues to be open to Children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. It is also open to Key Worker and Vulnerable children. Children from these year groups are attending on a sessional basis (booked through the school office). We are operating a "bubble system" with strictly limited numbers due to social distancing and practical logistics.

Other Year Groups & Transition Contact Visits

The school is not currently open to children from other year groups and we are aware that, for some of you, by the time we return to school in September, it will be a full 5 months since your child has been in school.

As we approach the end of term, we are looking into the feasibility of arranging some contact for the children so that they can see their class and teacher and also see their new teacher and class if they are moving up. This contact could be virtual, or in the form of special school visits. Visits would be very strictly timed on an individual /small group basis so, unfortunately, there will still be no opportunity to get together physically with all classmates.

We will be sending details of the class structure for September later in the week. At this stage we are simply wanting to gauge interest, and find out if this is something that families would want. Whether or not contact visits take place this term, please be assured that transition in September will be sympathetically handled and children will be supported fully on their return to school.

Please could you let us know by this Friday if you would like your child(ren) to be considered for a transition contact visit this term?

Summer Provision

Following updates from the Secretary of State for Education, I can confirm that we will not be providing schooling during the summer break at either of our schools. However, we are pleased to let you know that Primary Sports are offering to organise activity days throughout the summer holidays if there is enough interest from our schools:

Summer Sports Club

Subject to the government guidance, Primary Sports and Education intend providing activity camps at Bishops Nympton Primary School during the summer holidays for the dates listed below. We have provisionally booked the following dates at the school:

Tuesday 28th July

Tuesday 4th August

Tuesday 11th August

Tuesday 18th August

The camps will run from 8.30am to 3.30pm. The cost will be £15 per child per day.

We are offering a discount for siblings booking; 2 children for £25. If you would like to provisionally book a place on one or more of the dates above please let us know ASAP. We expect the maximum number of children being able to attend each day will be 15-20 places per day and this will be on a first come first served basis. We need a minimum of 10 children per day for the activity days to run.

Once you have provisionally booked a date, you will receive, via email, the lists of activities that we are offering and a consent form. We will ask you to return the consent form, completed activity list and make an online payment.

If the camps aren't able to go ahead or days have to be cancelled, payments will be refunded in full.

If you would like to provisionally book your child onto our activity days, please let us know by Friday 3rd July.

If you have any questions, or would like to make a provisional booking please contact Jemma on 07531530131 or via email north.devon@primary-sports.co.uk

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September Arrangements

We are currently preparing to be fully open in September. However, as this is an ever changing situation we will of course, keep you fully updated if and when further guidance is released. Work on enabling a smooth transition back into school and (in some cases) new classes will continue in September. Details on specific arrangements will be sent out in due course. We have already received some initial information on **catch up programmes** and we will be looking into how this will work in practice for us. Once again, as soon as plans have been put into place, we will let you know.

Devon Public Health Nursing Service (School Nursing) in Primary Schools

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Your School Nurse team works within schools and the wider community to:

- Provide health advice to help children and young people make the best of their education
- Provide advice and support to parent/carers and schools
- Support young people to look after their own health
- Direct children and their families to the right services.

- Undertake review of growth as part of National Child Measurement programme (Reception and Year 6).

- Identify health needs and trends at a community level to inform current and future services and allocation of resources.

This is provided via:

- A referral system so parents, carers, young people and professionals can request support from the School Nurse team/service

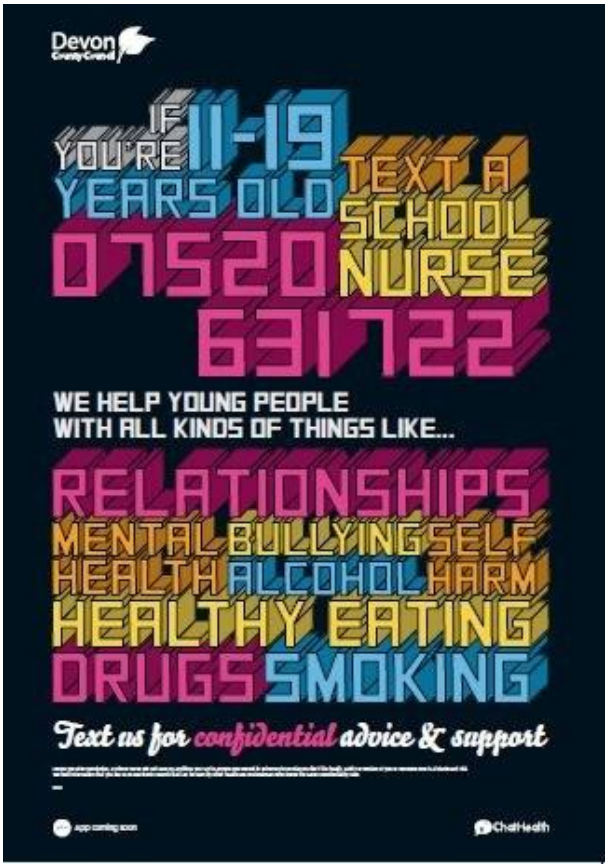
- Confidential clinic appointments (book via PHN hub). These may be face to face, via video conference using Microsoft teams or via phone.

- Phone advice and support (PHN hub contact details below)

As a parent you can talk to the School Nurse about any health concerns for your child which may include:

- Healthy lifestyle choices - including healthy eating and physical activity
- Worries about your child's physical and mental health
- Body shape or size
- Stress at school or at home
- Management of a health condition
- Keeping safe
- Friendships and bullying
- Sleep
- Bladder and bowel issues (toileting advice) At the current time this may also include worries associated with Coronavirus and the impact this has had (or could have) on you and your family, or concerns about your child starting or returning to school.

When we work with families, confidentiality and information sharing will be discussed with you. If there is a concern that someone may be suffering, or is at risk of significant harm information is shared following safeguarding procedures.



YOUR SCHOOL NURSE TEAM can be contacted at:

North Devon, Torridge and Okehampton area

rde-tr.northernphnhub@nhs.net

T: 0333 234 1904

https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/health/public-health-nursing-useful-links

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Watch out... ticks about!

With lots of us making the most of the warm weather and spending longer outside, it's important to remember to be aware of ticks as there are plenty of them around at the moment. Ticks are small, spider like creatures that feed on the blood of animals, including people. They can vary in size, from as small as a tiny freckle to a similar size to a baked bean! Ticks can survive in many habitats, but prefer moist areas with leaf litter or longer grass like in woodland, grassland, moorland, heathland and some urban parks and gardens. They don't fly or jump, they just wait on vegetation for an animal or person to pass by, and then climb on. They then bite and attach to the skin and feed on blood for several days before dropping off. Most tick bites are harmless, but some do carry Lyme Disease, and it's during this feeding process that they can transmit pathogens. That's why it's important to make sure you look and feel for ticks on you, your family and your pets after you've

enjoyed outdoor activities and remove them promptly as evidence suggests the risk increases the longer a tick is feeding. **To remove a tick, use fine tipped tweezers or a tick removal tool - grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible and pull upwards slowly and firmly.**

You can try and prevent being bitten by ticks by walking on clearly defined path, using insect repellent that repels ticks and wearing light colour clothing so ticks are easier to spot on you. And if you have been bitten, look out for early signs of Lymes Dise ase, which include mild-flu like symptoms including a fever, headache, fatigue and a bulls-eye rash. If you feel unwell after being bitten by a tick, even when you don't have a rash contact your GP or dial NHS 111 and remember to tell them you were bitten by a tick or have recently spent time outdoors. There's lots of useful information in this leaflet from Public Health England.

What's On(*line*)?

The Mix Online, Friday 3 July

For the first time, The Mix, Devon's annual summer music festival for children and young people, is moving online. On Friday 3 July, whether you're at home or in school, you can join Devon Music Education Hub live on YouTube for a day of online workshops, live music and opportunities to get involved.

10am STOMP-style Body Percussion
with Ollie Tunmer from Beat Goes On

11am Music Technology using BandLab
with Phil Heeley from Inclusive Music

12pm Music & Nature
with Chris Holland AKA The Digeridoo Man

1pm Music & Wellbeing Big Sing
with Debbie Kent & Teachers Rock

2pm Taiko Drumming
with Gillian Ashcroft from North Devon Taiko

3pm Jazz Improvisation for Beginners
with Sam Massey from South Devon Youth Jazz

PLUS We'll have interviews, performances and opportunities for you to get involved throughout the day! #DevonMix2020

Big Bang Digital 2020

Big Bang Digital 2020 – science, engineering & Covid-19
Tuesday 14 July

Big Bang Digital 2020 – science, engineering & Covid-19 celebrates the amazing work of scientists and engineers in a pandemic.

Mark it in your calendar for a day of inspiring online sessions to give young people a front row view of the incredible contribution of scientists, healthcare professionals, engineers, technicians and students in responding to Covid-19.

Join us as we hear from the people working to develop a vaccine, the teams involved in building the Nightingale hospitals, those keeping transport networks going and the companies innovating to respond to the UK ventilator challenge.

We'll meet inventive young people supporting frontline efforts across the world, get an insight into the environmental benefits of staying at home and celebrate healthcare heroes and learn how their jobs have changed.

With interactive polls, live Q&A sessions with guests and associated activities throughout the day, there are lots of ways to get involved and even prizes to be won!

We'll be announcing more #BigBangDigital details in the run up to the day, meanwhile get the date in your diary and spread the word.

NORTH DEVON SHOW

Virtual Baking Competition

Judge: Our Show Presidents' - Mr Roger and Mrs Brenda Savery

Kindly Sponsored by NFU

We are looking for 4 Cupcakes that are decorated to suit a theme of the North Devon Show (i.e cow, sheep, flowers, tractors etc.)

Classes open to all Adults and Children with Prize Money and Rosettes.

CLASSES:	**PRIZES:**		
Class 1: 7 years old and under	1st: £5 + Rosette	2nd: Rosette	3rd: Rosette
Class 2: 8-14 years old	1st: £5 + Rosette	2nd: Rosette	3rd: Rosette
Class 3: 15 years +	1st: £5 + Rosette	2nd: Rosette	3rd: Rosette

HOW TO ENTER:

Email us at showsecretary@northdevonshow.com with the following details:

1. Name and address
2. One photograph of your entry
3. Class Number you would like to enter

One email per entry is recommended, with unlimited entries and no entry fees.

Entries to be received by midday on Thursday 16th July

All entries will be published on social media with the results leading up to 5th August.

North Devon Agricultural Society
15 George Arcade, South Molton, North Devon, EX36 3AB
Telephone: 01769 573852 Email: showsecretary@northdevonshow.com

NORTH DEVON SHOW

Virtual Children's Competition

Sponsored and Judged by NFU

CLASSES:

Class 1: Make a bug house, using any materials - 7 years old and under
Class 2: Make a bug house, using any materials - 8 to 12 years old
Class 3: Make a bug house, using any materials - 13 to 16 years old
Class 4: Paint or Draw your favourite animal – 7 years old and under
Class 5: Paint or Draw your favourite animal – 8 to 12 years old
Class 6: Paint or Draw your favourite animal – 13 to 16 years old
Class 7: Make a puppet, using any materials - 7 years old and under
Class 8: Make a puppet, using any materials - 8 to 12 years old
Class 9: Make a puppet, using any materials - 13 to 16 years old
Class 10: Write a poem about a day at the North Devon Show - 7 years old and under
Class 11: Write a poem about a day at the North Devon Show - 8 to 12 years old
Class 12: Write a poem about a day at the North Devon Show - 13 to 16 years old
Class 13: Tallest Sunflower – All ages (please include height in cm)
Class 14: Make an animal out of fruit/vegetables – 7 years old and under
Class 15: Design a clothing product made from wool - 8 to 12 years old
Class 16: Design a clothing product made from wool - 13 to 16 years old

NFU have launched the #LockdownLearning initiative for home education. We are working closely with the NFU to provide some friendly competition with classes to suit everyone. More details on the initiative or for ideas to enter our classes please visit:
https://eatfarmnow.com/category/lockdown-learning/

PRIZES:

1st: £5.00 + Rosette 2nd: Rosette 3rd: Rosette

HOW TO ENTER:

Email us at showsecretary@northdevonshow.com with the following details:

1. Name, address and age (on the 29th July 2020)
2. Photograph/s of your entry
3. Class Number you would like to enter

One email per entry is recommended, with unlimited entries and no entry fees.

Entries to be received by midday on Wednesday 29th July 2020

All entries will be published on social media with the results in August.

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Summer Reading Challenge 2020

The 2020 Summer Reading Challenge is here!

The Summer Reading Challenge, presented by The Reading Agency and funded by Arts Council England, encourages children aged 4 to 11 to set themselves a reading challenge to help prevent the summer reading 'dip'.

Each year the Challenge, delivered through public libraries, motivates over 700,000 children to keep reading to build their skills and confidence. Last year more than 14,000 children across Devon and Torbay took part.

With the disruption caused by COVID-19 and the impact of social distancing on schools and public libraries, the 2020 Challenge will launch as a digital activity to keep children reading over the summer and support parents and carers with children already at home. The Challenge will run from June to September.

This year, Silly Squad, the Summer Reading Challenge 2020, celebrates funny books, happiness and laughter and features bespoke artwork from award-winning children's author and illustrator Laura Ellen Anderson (Amelia Fang; Evil Emperor Penguin; I Don't Want Curly Hair). Children taking part in the Challenge will join the Silly Squad, an adventurous team of animals who love to have a laugh and get stuck in to all different kinds of funny books!

The digital Challenge is free to access, featuring games, quizzes and digital and downloadable activities to incentivise and encourage children and their families to take part in reading-related activities at home. Although our library buildings are closed we have boosted the number of children's books available to borrow via our e-lending platforms which can be accessed from our Devon Libraries and Torbay Libraries websites. From July we will also be hosting lots of Silly Squad events and activities on our Facebook pages, so look out for those!

There is a special **SCHOOL ZONE** on the Silly Squad website with lots of resources linked to the Challenge.

Summer Reading Challenge *Parents sign your children up* *here*

Check out the Library FaceBook pages www.facebook.com/SouthMoltonLibrary/ where we will be hosting lots of Silly Squad digital events throughout the summer. More information to follow.

With school life disrupted and many children missing the company of their friends, this year's fun-filled Summer Reading Challenge will be all the more vital as a way of helping parents and carers find fun, family-friendly activities, maintain literacy levels and create a safe space for children to connect with their peers.

From 6th July most Devon Libraries will be operating a Choose & Collect service - books in stock in the library will be able to be collected from outside the library at a pre arranged time. We don't know yet when South Molton Library will be open to the public but will keep you posted.

Struggling to get online?

We are hoping to be able to offer families some resources to be able to complete the challenge without going online. If you would like these resources, let the school know and we will see if we can get some resources to you before the end of term.

Good News

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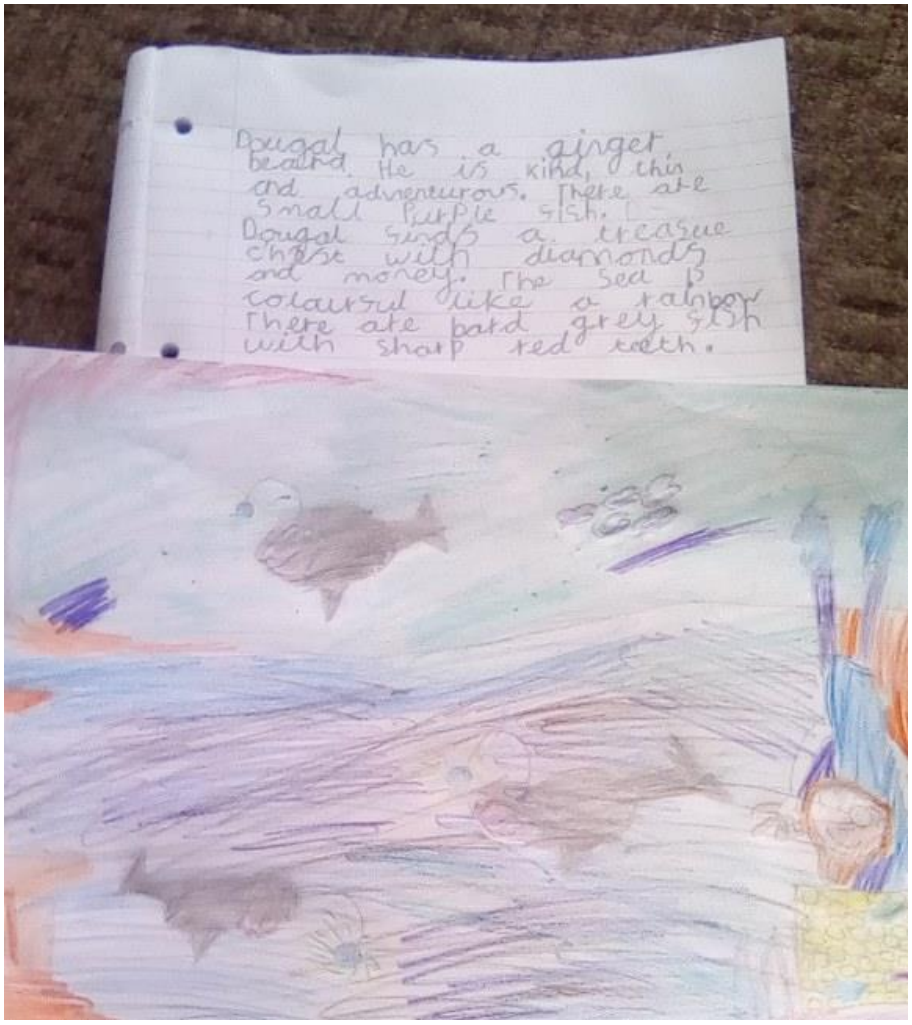
1 - Click to play "Memories" from bensound.com whilst looking through our good news...

Your teachers have been delighted to hear about all of your successes over the last two weeks. Click on the **stack of photos** to see what everyone has been up to & read on for special mentions, comments and awards...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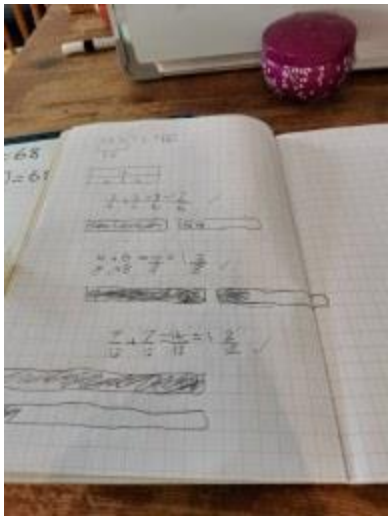

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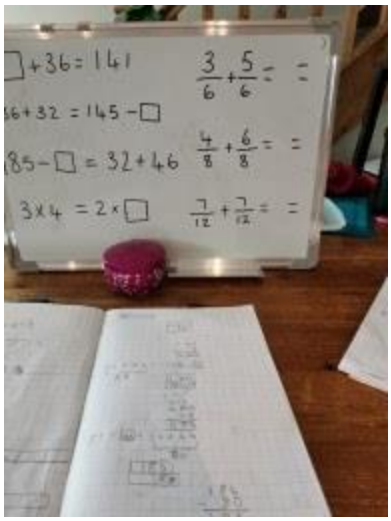
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Special Mentions, Comments and Awards from the last two weeks...

Class 1 - Mrs Yarney:

Week 10 Amethyst: Rory for great maths this week: making patterns and data handling and also your super writing - I'm so proud of how hard you work every week Rory, well done. Gold: Lucy for wonderful work in spellings and writing. I can really see how all of your hard work learning your spellings Lucy is paying off in your super writing. Silver: Callie for lovely artwork and creativity. Bronze: Ruby, Lily, Milo and Callie for fantastic scarecrow making Week 9 Amethyst: Lucy Miles for some great descriptive writing and having a busy craft making week. Gold: Milo for super maths this week, Ruby for lovely zones under the sea diagram, Rory for fabulous independent writing, Gold: Leighton, Elijah, Reef and Hermione for coming into school this week and having a great day. For being really brave. Silver: Lily for fabulous biscuits and decorating. Callie for talking and joining in with our live lesson. Bronze: Lucy, Milo, Leighton, Rory and Ruby for joining in with our live lesson, telling news and asking questions.

Class 2 - Mrs Scandrett:

Week 9

Amethyst – Sofia for being really diligent and the first to answer the Friday challenge which was set on teams this week. Lovely ideas too, well done.

Gold – Leon for a super little YouTube video showing us your motor cross skills.

Gold – Oliver for fantastic effort in literacy and being brave joining the group in reading aloud in class.

Special Mention & Gold award - Rosie for achieving a gold Devon School Games certificate for running more than a marathon in May and raising £250+ for the NHS. Also, for having all the answers during our book discussions this week. Super listening and comprehension skills, well done.

Week 10

Amethyst - Daniel for excellent interaction and involvement on our online session this week. Very proud of you, well done.

Gold - Jesse for having your hand up and preparing your super sentence ready for our online session. I think you are great!

Gold - Ernie, Oliver, Rosie, Thea, Sam all for completing such amazing artwork in class this week. Everyone is going to love your Year 6 graffiti project. Well done.

We will keep a record of any awards and save them up for you. I will also make awards available for download and printing very soon.

RNLI Update

A message from the RNLI:

This summer, our Lifeguards can't be on every beach, meaning a heightened water safety risk to beach goers. We are asking you to help us share some important messages to children and their families.

It is anticipated that once restrictions further ease and the summer weather is here, people will head to the beaches and coastline to enjoy the sun, sea and time with friends and family. In a normal year, the RNLI helps thousands of people who end up getting into difficulty in or close to the water when doing these types of activities.

2 - Photo: Pacemaker Press Intl

Throughout the summer term, our local team of trained volunteers and Lifeguards do their best to visit as many of the schools, colleges and youth groups in our region as possible. However, due to the ongoing coronavirus outbreak we have not been able to engage with school communities as we normally would.

Here are some resources that you could use at home instead:

Download and have a look at our **education resource pack.** https://rnli.org/Youth-education/water-safety-from-home

Educating young people about how to keep safe, in on and around water is fundamental to saving lives at sea and a core part of the RNLI's water safety activity. This term we have put together two downloadable packs of resources focusing on **keeping safe this Summer**. Your school will also be using this to engage young people with essential – and lifesaving – water safety lessons.

Check out this link a link to **Water Safety from Home resources**

https://rnli.org/youth-education/education-resources/water-safety-wednesdays

If you're a parent looking for ways to engage, educate and entertain your children at home, play our Water Safety Wednesday series – perfect for primary school-aged children.

Have a look at the RNLI & MCA's **Beach Safety Campaign**.

https://rnli.org/pages/beach2020

Beach lifeguards cannot be everywhere this summer – although we are hoping to patrol around 70 beaches later this year – it is vital every one of us takes responsibility for our own, and our families', safety.

The RNLI is the charity that saves lives at sea

3 - Photo: Terry Mooney

Calendar

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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
- Email the office eastanstey@exmoorlink.org

Look out for our next edition coming soon

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