

Lydford Primary School – Nurture, Inspire, Achieve

01/04/2022

April fools

It's startling to think that today is April 1st and we are a quarter through the year already! The origin of April fools is unknown, but my favourite theory is that it relates to the 1582 switch from the Julian Calendar to the Gregorian Calendar. In the Julian calendar the new year started around April 1st with the Spring Equinox. Some people continued to celebrate this date rather than January 1st and were known as 'April Fools'. But is it so foolish? Spring is a new start, for plants, animals, the weather and daylight – maybe this is the best time to move forward and look at renewing our commitment to support one another and provide the best for our community.

Certificates

The children who have shown the strength of our values - **Nurture, Inspire, Achieve**, this fortnight are -



21st March - Nurture – Max

Inspire – Emily B

Achieve – AE

28th March - Nurture – Jude

Inspire – Lidia

Achieve – Leah



Sunflower assembly

Earlier this week Mr Hill led an assembly focusing on how we look after one another and the world around us. Focusing on basic needs – food, water and shelter – and the message that everyone needs love and kindness. Mr Hill gave each child a sunflower to take home and care for to represent looking after one another. Please do send any pictures of your sunflower growing and Mr Hill will be looking for the Happiest, most cared for sunflower at the end of the summer term!



Residentials

We are pleased to inform you that we are offering a full range of residential trips for all KS2 children this academic year.

Many children have signed up already and we would encourage families to do so by April 8th. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments on residentials, please don't hesitate to contact Mr Hill.

If your family is eligible for pupil premium, you can apply for financial assistance towards the cost of the trip – please speak to Mr Hill or Mrs Duthaler.

Parent Voice

The initial results of the parent voice survey were shared at last night's parent's forum. Currently the results are very positive but with only 13 responses – we'd love more input.

We'd love to hear your views on the school and invite you to complete our parental voice survey here:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=kG0HO7J4vUqeBclPJiicRozbU84L-MhNsleCTqPb67JUNEpXQzhUS0tOTUJXSDdHQ1cxOU03VzZPQi4u>

Forest School

Wellies are waterproofs are required every week regardless of the weather. Please ensure that your child brings theirs to school.

Future dates

We have started to set future dates into the summer term – please see below.

Dates

April 2022

8th – Last day of Spring term

25th – First day of Summer term

May 2022

Month of May – Year 2 standardised assessments done in this month.

3rd – Cricket sessions with Vicky Reeve

9th – 13th – Year 6 Standardised assessments

WB 30th – May Half term

June 2022

WB 6th June – Year 1 phonics assessment this week

6th – 24th June – Year 4 Multiplication tables check in this period

15th – Devon Wildlife Champions conference at Meeth Quarry

21st – Under the sky workshop at Brentor Common

20th – 22nd – Year 4 and 5 residential at Great Potheridge House

30th – 1st July – Year 3 residential at Adventure Okehampton/Boasley Cross

July 2022

6th – Sports day

13th – Back up sports day (in the event of poor weather conditions on the 6th)

18th – 20th – Year 6 residential to Bristol

22nd – Last day of term.

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Class 1 have made some Challah Bread and Painted rainforests with watercolours. In science they have been exploring and building windproof structures.



Class 2 enjoyed a dance session with Miss Squires and have made some amazing dragon eyes in art.



Gardening Club have made an amazing start in preparing the school garden.



FoLS

CALLING ALL FOLS.....

What is your hidden talent???

We are running a number of stalls at Lydford Fair this year on the 9th of July and require your talents, skills or knowledge!!

King or Queen of Splat the Rat and running the game?

An arty hand that is good at painting faces? drawing characters? or weird and wonderful hair styles.

A Master of the magical arts of

You fill in the gaps, we are looking for a short period of your time over the day to run a game, idea or entertaining "thing" for our stall. If it is a couple of hours or 30 minutes, we will appreciate all the help!

Cake raffle

25th March - The winner of the cake raffle was George. Thank you to Danielle for making the cakes.

1st April - The winner of this week's cake raffle is Bertie. Thank you to Jane for making the cake.

The cake raffle is £1 per ticket each week. If you can help, please contact a member of FoLS or the school office

Nature Makers Spring Workshops



Stuck for things to do with the kids this Easter Holidays?

Come and join us in the barn at Lydford House where we will be running children's spring crafting workshops with a choice of activities including mark making, printing, weaving and sculpting. Children can explore these techniques using natural, eco-friendly materials to express their creativity. Followed by yummy children's Afternoon Tea!

Workshops Available to Book

10.30am - 12.30pm Tues 19th April

10.30am - 12.30pm Wed 20th April

10.30am - 12.30pm Thurs 21st April

Spaces are limited to 12 children per workshop on each day so please book in advance by emailing info@lydfordfundraising.co.uk or calling 07940060705

Lunch will be served at 12:00. The finish times may vary depending on how long lunch takes!

£8.50 per child. Suitable for ages 4 - 8.

All children must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.

Tea, coffee and cake provided for adults for a small donation.

All money raised will go to the Lydford Land Appeal.

You can follow us on Facebook for more information about our events @lydfordschoolland

EASTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITY DAYS

BOOK A PLACE NOW - FIRST COME FIRST SERVED - LIMITED SPACES - FUN THEME DAYS

Easter Holiday Performing Arts Activity Days:

Location: **Hatherleigh Primary School, EX20 3JB**

Times: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Run by *Jessica Squire Dance* for ALL primary school aged children

- Themed performing arts days filled with dance, drama, arts & crafts.
- Expect dance routines, dance & drama games, art & craft activities.
- PLUS: mini show to parents/carers @ 2:45pm each day.



Dates and themes: make sure you wear or bring your fancy dress outfits too!

11/4 - **To Infinity & Beyond!** 5-4-3-2-1... this day is all about space, planets & Toy Story!

12/4 - **Easter Fun!** Expect Easter egg hunts, crafts and dance activities.

14/4 - **The Greatest Show!** All your favs from the popular musical film.

21/4 - **Superhero Day!** Get set to soar like your favourite superheroes.

22/4 - **Disney Day!** A day filled with your top Disney characters and songs.

BOOK NOW TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT! **Cost** : £25 if you book one date

Multi-booking DISCOUNT: £20 per day if you book more than one day (or sibling)

ADVANCED BOOKING ESSENTIAL: Book your child's place NOW! Contact Jessica Squire
Email: jessicasquire.perform@gmail.com or text/call 07746892660 for more information



PLAYER DEVELOPMENT CENTRES

DEVON &
CORNWALL

AGES 5 -11
BOYS & GIRLS

East Cornwall & North Devon

Bodmin
Bodmin Girls
Holsworthy
Launceston Girls
Launceston GK's
Okehampton
Okehampton Girls

Liam.Bryant@paafc.co.uk

Plymouth

Manadon
Plymstock

charlie.hardcastle@paafc.co.uk

West Cornwall

Falmouth
Falmouth Girls
Pool Academy
Truro
Brannel

liam.chinn@paafc.co.uk

argylecommunitytrust.co.uk

LEARN. PLAY. SUCCEED



SECRET STORIES

Family Friendly



Exmouth's Brassed Off Dinosaurs

Get up close and personal with the creatures
that roamed the Earth millions of years ago.

Ideal FREE activity for budding dinosaur hunters and adults alike who enjoy a challenge! This self-guided trail is a circular walk around Exmouth that combines clues to hunt and collect 11 brass rubbings of prehistoric creatures that once roamed earth whilst learning more about their lives.

How it works, in 3 simple steps:

Step 1

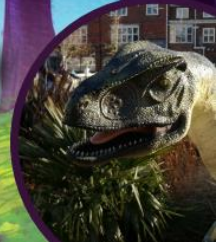
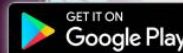
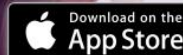
Download the FREE Ordnance Survey "Secret Stories" app, search for "Exmouth's Brassed-Off Dinosaurs".

Step 2

Bring paper and crayons or collect a "dinosaur pack" with everything you need from the Tourist Information for just £1.

Step 3

Crack the clues to find and collect your brass rubbing with stories along the trail making it fun and engaging.



Monday 18th April @ 11am

Easter Egg Hunt

**Fox & Hounds Pub
Bridestowe
£3.50 per child**

Please meet in the skittle alley

Event kindly run by The Fox & Hounds with proceeds
donated to Treetops



Parentkind
Member Association



Full Day Camps are back at Easter!

**MORETONHAMPSTEAD
SPORTS CENTRE (FIELD)**

EASTER HALF TERM

**WEEK 1: APR 11/12/13/14
WEEK 2: APR 19/20/21**

10AM-3PM

BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 6+

£18pp
Book online (website or DM)
Bring: boots-lunch-shinpads-coat



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Are you committed to your community?

Do you feel you know the rhythm of life within your community?

Are you inspired by the creativity and wonder of Children?

Do you have the inquisitiveness to question and analyse?

If you've said Yes to any of the questions above, have you considered being a Trustee or school Governor?

Our Trustees bring professional skills and experience to the table to set our strategic direction, manage resources and hold managers to account

Governors on our Local Stakeholder Boards represent our parent and staff voice, the economic and cultural diversity of the community and listen to our pupils

The benefits are mutual!



To find out more visit our website: <https://www.dartmoormat.org.uk/>
to ask for an application form contact: j.hooper@dmatschools.org.uk