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Lydford Primary School – Nurture, Inspire and Achieve

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### **February**

- 9<sup>th</sup> Homework share and book look at 3.15 pm. Last Day of term
- 12th 16th Half Term Holiday
- 19<sup>th</sup> Pupils return
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Cross Country KS2 Forest School Class 1
- 29th Forest School Class 1

### March

- 1st Devon Cricket Day all ages
- 7<sup>th</sup> World Book Day
  Stay and Play
  Forest School Class 1
- 11<sup>th</sup> African Drumming Workshop KS2
- 14th Forest School Class 1
- 15th Red Nose Day 2024
- 21st Parent Forum 6pm Forest School Class 1
- 25th Forest School Class 1
- 27th Rev Brook Easter assembly
- 28<sup>th</sup> Inset Day
- 28th 12th April Half Term

### Good afternoon,

We have had a busy couple of weeks at Lydford. It was lovely to meet with you all to discuss your child this week – we are incredibly proud of the commitment they are showing to their time in school. If you have any concerns about your child's learning, please let me or Mrs D know. We are happy to arrange a meeting at a mutually convenient time to support you with this.

This week is Childrens Mental Health week. Children's mental health week empowers, equips and gives a voice to all children and young people in the UK. During our assembly to acknowledge and discuss this we explored different tools to communicate how we feel. They all had some great ideas. It is important that they understand and believe that their voice matters and will be heard. Your support with this at home would be helpful as we continue to explore this over the coming weeks.

As we come to the end of a busy half term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, it is a pleasure to have your children at Lydford School and we appreciate your support.

Have a lovely half term break.

Kind regards,

Mrs Brendon

The children who have shown the strength of each of our values - Nurture, Inspire, Achieve are:-

Nurture	TARS OFF THE WEEK	<b>Emily</b> – for nurturing her love of learning and persevering when faced with challenges.
Inspire 51	TARS OF	<b>Misty-</b> for being inspiring when actively seeking ways to improve their learning independently.
Achieve		<b>Jude</b> – for working hard to edit and improve his writing and joining consistently.

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### May

6<sup>th</sup> – Bank Holiday

27th - 31st - Half Term

### June

28<sup>th</sup> – Inset Day

### July

19<sup>th</sup> – School Breaks up for Summer Holidays

### **MATHS**

Maths homework will be sent out to each year group after half term.



### **Lunches**

Just a reminder that school lunches still need to be booked by Thursday at midnight for the following week. If these lunches are not booked by this date then a packed lunch will need to be provided.



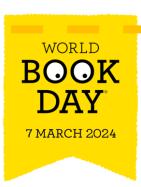


# Federation of Children's Book Groups - Children's Book Award Voting

The 5 schools in the Moorland hub have been taking part in the Shortlisting voting of the 'Books for Young Children' Category of the National Children's Book Awards, run by the Federation of Children's Book Groups (FCBG). This is the only national book award that is voted for entirely by children – start to finish and has been running for over 40 years! The shortlisting voting has just come to a close and between the 5 schools we have submitted over 800 votes via our local group – Plymouth CBG. Thank you so much to the younger children within our schools for engaging in the voting. The next round of voting will start soon, once the Top 10 books (across 3 categories) are announced. This is a really fabulous opportunity for our small schools to be involved with and we hope to engage with the testing of some of the older categories in the future.

If you want to learn more about the FCBG and The Children's Book Award – information can be found on the FCBG website <u>CBA Home – The Federation of Children's Book Groups (fcbg.org.uk)</u>





We have book tokens to come home with pupils this week. These tokens are valid from 15<sup>th</sup> February till 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024. At the rear of the token is how to claim your book from the World Book Day 2024.

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### PARENT FORUM

The next Parent Forum is on Thursday 21st March at 6pm.

**ALL WELCOME** 

### **Times Tables Rock Stars**



### Class 2

We hope all children are accessing and enjoying Times Table Rockstars. If you feel you need a bit more guidance on this, please follow this link <a href="https://ttrockstars.com/parents/">https://ttrockstars.com/parents/</a> which is a guide for parent/carers and has lots of information.

### Class 1

Numbots is an engaging maths platform for learning how to add and subtract. Children have access to Numbots at home, logins for this should be in their reading records. Please let me know if don't have this.

# **CLUBS**

Clubs will continue after half term. Booking slots are now available on the school Gateway

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We were lucky to receive a visit from Reverend Brook the week to deliver an assembly about respect. We look forward to welcoming Reverend Brook back again in March to deliver an Easter themed assembly.



The children at Lydford have been enjoying the scooters and trikes during playtimes, this has resulted a few collisions. Class 2 have come up a new system to keep everyone safe. They have created a one-way system which is working perfectly – they even have a traffic warden! It is lovely to see them working together to come up with solutions to ensure inclusivity and safety in the playground.



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EYFS working together to build a marble run kindly donated by another parent - Thank you!



Year 2 working hard learning about money and the different values of coins and notes.





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Using instruments for our science learning about sound – which instrument has a high pitch, and which has a low pitch?



Creative club in forest school with Mrs D



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# A fantastic time at our weekly swimming lesson at Mount Kelly