



WIDECOMBE PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

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Hot Weather

We are in the summer term and (if we are lucky) will be experiencing some warmer weather. If the forecast is for hot weather, please ensure your child has an adequate application of suncream applied before coming to school, plus a sunhat and water bottle.

Volunteers

Thank you to all of the volunteers that are working in the school. Your efforts are making a big difference to the enjoyment of learning, the progress and the well-being of our pupils.

Year 4 Music Sharing Day

Just before the end of term, Year 4 children attended a music day at South Dartmoor. Jonah & Solly told me:-

"When we got to South Dartmoor we did our performance of "Dawn of the Day" on the violins. We met up with lots of other schools and heard their performances too. During the day we played drums, tambourines and ukeleles. We went to a drum class where we were split into 4 sections and each section had to play 4 beats on the drums. After lunch we went to a singing workshop and sang "I'm Yours" by Jason Mraz. At the end we watched some of the other schools perform".

Governor Contact Details

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Webburn Lambing Visit

A big thank you to Mark Jones for inviting us to see his farm to see his lambs. Two lambs were born whilst we were there! Here is what some of the children had to say:-

"I liked the bit when the mummy sheep had a lamb" - Gus

"I liked the lamb that had wool, it was so fluffy" - Caitlin

"I got to hold a lamb" - Martha

"I liked the lambs" - Nana

"I liked seeing the lambs. Some were looking for their mummy, some were cuddling their mummy" - Torin

Swimming

We have started swimming, so please ensure your child has their swimming kit on the day that they swim.

Webburn: Tuesday
Lower Dart: Monday
Upper Dart: Friday

Clubs

Your child will be bringing home a list of the clubs being run this half term. Please complete the form and return it as soon as possible, all the clubs begin next week. Once your child has signed up to a club (if it is a paid one) payment should be made via ParentPay. If any of the clubs are over-subscribed we will let you know and will put your child's name on a reserve list.

There will also be a Swimming Club starting after school, by invitation. We will be initially inviting some less confident swimmers, but hope to be able to open this up to other children later on in the term.

Emailed or sent with the Newsletter

Summer Term Clubs List

This Week's Learning Superheroes

Congratulations to:-

Caitlin

Jessica

Fin & Alfie

PLAY LEADER OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to:-

Jonah

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Well done to Upper Dart for their excellent attendance this week.

Upper Dart	98%
Lower Dart	97%
Webburn	94%

EVENTS NEXT WEEK

Monday 23rd April

Breakfast Maths Club
Lego & Indoor Games Clubs

Tuesday 24th April

Parents' Running Club 9am
Dance Club

Wednesday 25th April

Breakfast Maths Club
Dartmoor 3 Ball Club

Thursday 29th April

Parents' Running Club 9am
Football Club

Friday 27th April

Breakfast Maths Club
Widdy Tots in School from 1.15pm
Cross Country Club (lunchtime)
Cycle Clubs

Year 5/6 Residential

A reminder that payment in full for this year's residential visit needs to be made by 25th May. Please check your outstanding balance on ParentPay.

School Dinners

Please would you make sure you have made your child's menu choices for the next 2 weeks on ParentPay.

Des Stokes

Head of School

My Week by ...

Isabelle

We had a visit from the Devon Bird of Prey Centre on Wednesday. They brought along a Harris Hawk, a Barn Owl and an American Kestrel.

A bird of prey is a bird that hunts with its claws, other birds use their beaks. In Medieval times using birds of prey was popular as it was the only way people could get their food. Your status determined which bird you'd have, so servants hunted with kestrels, the smallest birds which caught rats, mice and small birds. Priests used sparrow hawks, there are lots in Widecombe. Kings or Emperors were given golden eagles which could hunt lambs, deer and wild boar.



Fin's Joke

What does Voldermort say when he sees Harry Potter at the hairdressers?

A-barber-cadabra!



Widecombe Village Hall Steering Group

Quiz and Supper Fundraiser

We will be holding our first fundraising event on Saturday 28th April at Leusdon Memorial Hall

All welcome to our **Quiz & Supper at 7.30pm**

Tickets are £10 each to include a 2 course meal and quiz. Bring your own drinks.

Booking is essential so please contact Yvette on 01364 631543 or info@widecombevillagehall.co.uk to book your place or a team of 6 by Monday 23rd