



WIDECOMBE PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

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OFSTED Visit

Firstly, can I say a huge thank you for the overwhelming support of the school which you expressed in all areas of the Parentview survey. It helped to give the inspector a clear picture of our school showing that as much as we value our academic achievements, we also value the well-being of our children. As usual, our children were fantastic! They were polite, respectful and keen to impress our guest.

I would publicly like to acknowledge the commitment, support and professionalism of the staff at Widecombe. Already hard-working, they went the extra mile by putting in even more hours and even coming in on days when they were not working! I am such a fortunate Head to be sharing my time with such wonderful people.

Overall, we are happy with the comments the inspector left us with. There were some areas of improvement, which we were already working upon, and we value his opinion that we are making progress towards these targets. We will circulate his report when we receive it in approximately 3 weeks time.

World Book Day on Thursday

Children (and adults) are invited to come to school dressed as a book title or a character from a book. During the morning, we will have a catwalk and prizes will be given for originality and effort.

Handball Club

We are sorry that, due to staff training, there will be no Handball Club next Friday.

ParentPay

Please can you make sure you have logged onto ParentPay and chosen the meals your child would like for the next couple of weeks. Please also check that you have paid for any outstanding events such as football club, storytelling, Body Language and this year's residential, if applicable. Thank you.

Upper Dart Body Language

If you requested tickets for next Tuesday's Body Language you will find these attached. We have only been allocated enough tickets for the second performance to give one per child, however there are a few remaining tickets for the first performance if anyone would like them. If you ordered one of the printed T-shirts for your child, these will be given out on the day at South Dartmoor.

Please could you ensure your child brings in either black leggings, black shorts or black trousers in a labelled plastic bag on Monday. We will be buying and decorating t-shirts for the performance.

Please remember your child will need a packed tea, snack and drink next Tuesday, they will be taken to SDCC by minibus and staff cars after lunch. Children will need to be collected at approx. 8.00pm after the second performance.

Des Stokes

Head of School

This Week's Learning Superheroes

Congratulations to:-

Arwen

Solly

Dominic

ATTENDANCE

THIS WEEK

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

Upper Dart	99%
Webburn	96%
Lower Dart	95%

EVENTS NEXT WEEK

Monday 27th February
Pokemon Club

Tuesday 28th February
Upper Dart Body Language 1-8pm @
SDCC
Arts & Crafts Club

Thursday 2nd March
WORLD BOOK DAY
Football Club

Friday 3rd March
Widdy Tots in School from 1.15pm

Emailed or sent with the Newsletter

Body Language Tickets (Upper Dart)

Flower Watch!

Henry in Lower Dart has been looking after the flowers around school this week:-

When someone has been kicking a ball near the flowers we say, "Please can you not kick the ball near there because they are new flowers and we don't want them to get killed".



There are some new purple and yellow ones and some snowdrops and daffodils, that's all so far.

Me, Ollie, Samuel and Dylan are all helping to protect the flowers.

My Week by ...

Jude

This week I liked the Literacy and Maths and the card thing that Miss Lovell did.

I especially liked doing Body Language and the dancing. I got better at Body Language.

I enjoyed playing football at breaktimes and I had nice lunchtimes.

Polly's Riddle

There's a man and he has 3 sons. He wants to give all his money to one of his sons when he dies but he doesn't know which one to give it to. So he gives them some money, not much, and asks them to go out and buy something to fill their quite large living room and he takes out all the furniture.

The first boy goes out and buys some straw but there's not enough to fill the room. The second boy buys some sticks but there's still not enough to fill the room. The third boy buys 2 things to fill the room. What were they?

They were a candle and a match and the light filled the room!