



AWLISCOMBE PRIMARY NEWS

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The next few days

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| Monday 18 th March | - Balance Bikes - Rec - HLC Meeting |
| Tuesday 19 th March | - Balance Bikes - Rec - Space Day @ Payhembury - Robins |
| Wednesday 20 th March | - Balance Bikes - Rec |
| Thursday 21 st March | - Maths Masterclass - Yr6 - Tag rugby @ Honiton Primary - Yr5/6 |
| Friday 22 nd March | - |

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

The weather has definitely made this week seem long! We started on Monday morning to find a significant number of tiles missing from the school roof along with a hole at the highest point and some missing fascia boarding too. By Tuesday lunchtime we had repaired the tiles, but the hole is proving to be more complicated. After the wind came the rain, so unfortunately the children have had a fair few wet playtimes this week, but I am pleased to say nothing seems to dampen their spirits.

Mr Brad Murray visited the school on Tuesday, and he was so impressed with the groups of children he worked with. I observed every session and they were enthusiastic and engaging. The aim of the sessions was to find out what the children are proud of in their work, what they find difficult and what the children really love to do in their lessons. We give the staff feedback at the end of the day and use the gathered information to improve our work in school.

Yesterday we held the Year 5 Youth Speak competition. Once again, we had a fantastic turn out. We had 9 teams entered from 5 different primary schools. We had two super amazing teams entered and I am delighted to say we came first. Our winning team Emily, Izzy and Freya did a super speech on 'eating (or not) chocolate for breakfast'!! Our other team Sophia, Braken and Freddy did a super speech on Uniformity or Conformity. I am proud to say Awliscombe is always one of the best performing schools in the Youth speak competition within Honiton learning community.

Next week seems quiet again, we have a fantastic new opportunity for Swans starting on Monday. They will all be taking part in bikeability using wobble bikes in the playground. It is a fantastic new course allowing children to develop their confidence riding bikes and finding their balance. On Tuesday Robins are having a special day at Payhembury School. They will join Ash class and they will have a visit by a company called Space Odyssey.

Finally, I hope the children had a good Red Nose day, they looked very excited this morning when I visited the classes.

With regards,
Penny

Star of the Week - Well Done To....

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| <u>Cygnets</u> | Everly Layla L | |
| <u>Swans</u> | Maisie | |
| <u>Robins</u> | Sophie | Charlotte |
| <u>Woodpeckers</u> | Natasha | Xena |
| <u>Kingfishers</u> | Lou Lou | Isabel P |

Notices to Parents

Letters sent

Kids Café

Paignton Zoo Swans and Cygnets

Cartridge Recycling

We now have a cartridge recycling box in reception. Feel free to bring in your empty cartridges and we will have them recycled.

Comic Relief

We made a fantastic £79.95 for Comic Relief from our donations for wearing red. Well done to everyone.

2018/19 Academic Year

21st March - Resources Committee Meeting

25th March - Parents Evening

26th March Parents Evening

27th March - Parents Evening

3rd April - Come and Sing @ Wellington

5th April - Last Day of Spring Term

22nd April - Bank Holiday

23rd April - First Day of Summer Term

1st May - Bags2School collection

6th May - Bank Holiday

27th - 31st May - Half Term

3rd June - Non Pupil Day

26th June - Sports Day

28th June - Reserve Sports Day

19th July - Last Day of Term

PTFA



Huge thank you to our volunteer Grizzly Marshals... Peta, Yvonne, Jeff, Ben, Lucy, Kris and Heidi, they had a great day helping the runners and we collect our cheque from Axe Valley Running Club on 4th April, we received a lovely email thanking us for our help re-building all of the markings which had blown away and could we marshal again next year. Massive thanks also to Lou Beeken for securing a £500 grant to help pay for the new music system

which the school so desperately needs. Our next Bag2School collection will be on Wed 1st May, time to go through your wardrobe over the Easter hols! Please follow our FB page, Awliscombe C of E Primary School PTFA. Thanks for your continued support. Blue Skies, Nic Greenland.