



Pupil of the week:

Matilda
Coly Class

Finley
Otter Class

Juliana
Yarty Class

Dear Parents

At the end of our first full week I would like to say well done to all the children in the school for settling in to their new classes so quickly and getting straight on with their learning. We are, as a school, trying to focus how we talk about school from the point of view of the LEARNING that is taking place. Children are not 'working' during their lessons but carrying out 'learning tasks'. What they write in their books is not 'work' but evidence of their learning. They might be asked to carry out 'home learning' which might be practising a particular skill, finding something out, researching... etc.

The aim is for the children to take ownership of their learning and understand completely that adults are in school to plan tasks and activities to facilitate learning, but it is down to the individual to accept the responsibility for their own learning. Over the next few weeks we will be reminding the children of the characteristics of good learners – these are displayed in each classroom as are depicted by the four animals: Betty Bee, Sammy Squirrel, Olive Owl and Wilbur Woodpecker. The characteristics of each animal makes him or her a good learner, traits like perseverance, making connections, resilience, learning from others, seeing challenges and so on. These characteristics will be praised regularly as these are the behaviours that will ensure that our children are life-long learners and have the best opportunities in life.

MESSAGE FROM MRS NEATE

I would like to thank you all for the marvellous send-off you gave me last term.

I was overwhelmed by your kindness and generosity. The cards and messages I received were really thoughtful and I will keep them all. The children made me an amazing book with a personal message from every child which I will treasure and re read many more times.

I spent a very happy time deciding what to spend my Vouchers on and I am very pleased with my decision. I bought an extremely classy firepit/barbeque which is definitely a luxury item. I got the best one they had, it will last for years if not decades! I have always wanted one and I think it is the ideal retirement gift!

I am really looking forward to using my Trill Farm Voucher and I think I have settled on a course on Preserving which will be informative and enjoyable.

I am thoroughly enjoying my retirement so far and tomorrow we are collecting a German Shepherd puppy to keep me active.

Thank you all again.

AXE VALLEY OPEN DAY/EVENING

On the PTFA Facebook page I have shared details of the upcoming Open Day and Evening for our local secondary school: The Axe Valley Academy. The Primary Heads met with Martin Brook and members of the governing body earlier this week and they are really looking forward to welcoming as many people as possible to the school both during the day (when you will be able to visit classes and see the school in action, and in the evening where there will be a presentation and an opportunity to meet staff and ask questions. This Open Day and Evening is primarily aimed at those Year 6 students and parents who are preparing to make their applications to secondary school in the next couple of months, but is also open to parents and students currently in Year 5.

Mr Brook is also encouraging anyone who cannot make it to the open day to visit the school at a time that is more convenient – he is more than happy to give people a tour of the school and answer any of your questions.

POP UP CAFÉ

I have been asked to remind parents that the Pop-up café in St Giles will be starting up again this term. This is an excellent initiative to enable parents and children to have a 'chat and a cuppa' after school, and especially for those parents who are waiting for children to finish clubs etc. I would like to thank them for putting on this service for our parents. Keep an eye out for the sign to say when it will be on!

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations and best wishes go to Mr and Mrs Davis on the addition to their family – a little girl who arrived in the early hours of Monday morning.

CLUBS

Clubs will be starting next week, with the exception of Mr Davis' running club as he will still be on his paternity leave.

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Congratulations!



Maisie – Head Girl
James – Head Boy



Harriet & Poppy – Deputy Head Girl
Matthew & Toby – Deputy Head Boy

School Diary Dates

Our forthcoming events and diary dates are on our website listed in the *School Diary* section.

Should your child be participating in a particular event or visit, then more specific details from your parent letter can be viewed online by clicking on the relevant event, this will then display the letter content.

www.kilmingtonprimary.co.uk/school-diary/

SEPTEMBER	
Mon 17 th	New Reception pupils start full time 9.00am to 3.30pm
Mon 17 th	After school clubs start
Tues 18 th	Y5-Y6 High 5's Netball League 3.30pm-5.45pm (team event)– parents to transport
Thurs 20 th	Y6 Axe Valley Academy Open Day & Evening – tours 9.00am, 2.15pm & 6.30pm
Tues 25 th	Individual & Sibling School Photographs
Tues 25 th	Y5-Y6 High 5's Netball League 3.30pm-5.45pm (team event) – parents to transport
Thurs 27 th	Y6 The Woodroffe School Open Day – 9.30am – 12.30pm
Thurs 27th	PTFA AGM in Coly class 6.00pm
OCTOBER	
Tues 2 nd	Y6 Sports Captains Training (selected pupils)
Tues 2 nd	Y5-Y6 High 5's Netball League 3.30pm-5.45pm (team event)– parents to transport
Wed 3 rd	Y3-Y4 & Y5-Y6 Cross Country (team event)
Fri 5 th	Yarty class Wetlands visit – PACKED LUNCH
Sat 6th	PTFA Jumble Sale – Village Hall 10.00am to 1.00pm
Tues 9 th	Y5-Y6 Swimming Gala (team event)
Tues 9 th	Y5-Y6 High 5's Netball League 3.30pm-5.45pm (team event) – parents to transport
Wed 10 th	R-Y5 Flu Immunisations
Thurs 18 th	Y5-Y6 East Devon Go Ride Cycling (team event) – parents to transport – PACKED LUNCH
Fri 19 th	Celebration Assembly 2.30pm Village Hall – Coly class to lead
HALF TERM 22nd – 26th OCTOBER	

KILMINGTON JUMBLE SALE AT THE VILLAGE HALL - IMPORTANT INFO!

We are pleased to announce the Kilmington Jumble Sale is on Saturday 6th October from 10-1pm.

*We would love it if you would like to donate any 'in good order' items
Books, Bric-a-Brac, Toys, Clothes.*

The village hall will be open on Friday 5th October from 3.45pm-5pm to drop off.

Many thanks and hope to see you there for tea, cake and refreshment.

From The P.T.F.A at Kilmington Primary School