

An Daras
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Windmill Hill Academy Monthly Family Newsletter



'Gateway to Lifelong Learning'
'Porth dhe lyenn'

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TUESDAY 15TH May 2018



Welcome to the summer term and hopefully with it comes the warm and sunny weather. This is the term that we always ask that your children bring in a hat and have sun cream applied before they come to school.

As always, there is a great deal going on during this term with the Y5 and Y6 residentials, class trips, SATs, sports days and the summer fayre to name a few. However, the most significant event this term is the news that we are going to have a new YF building. Our old Horsa hut is going to be replaced with a new building and work is going to start during this coming half term. As a result of this work, we will need to reroute our way into school for those who walk via the steps. We will send a letter out to you next week to outline the plans for the coming half term.

The Horsa hut has been part of our school for a very long time and it has served many pupils throughout its time. However, it has had its day and we look forward to having a very new building in the autumn term.

Stars of The Week

	Year F	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
20th April	Freya S Jack C	Sara U Zak A	Casey Y Jayden B-S	Alfie T Aime	Isla F Theo B	Jaysia P Edward	Nikola Jack M
27th April	Tommy H Umet M	Kamil K Alyssa G	Olivia T Chelsea T	Maja M Samuel M	Daisy H Theo B		Hester R Nicholas B
4th May	Harry L Jacob L	Kayla S Zak A	Blake C Lily W	Lola L Jayden L		Rio A Logan B	Connor S Gemma C

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

28th May-1st Jun	Half term
2nd - 6th July	London Residential
24th July	Last day of school
4th - 5th Sept	Inset Days
6th September	Back at school

Attendance Figures for April 2018

Year	16th April	23rd April	30th April
YF	99%	98.7%	96.7%
Y1	93.9%	97.1%	96.4%
Y2	94.7%	94%	92%
Y3	94.8%	95.8%	87.7%
Y4	96.1%	98.5%	95.7%
Y5	98.1%	94.1%	92.6%
Y6	97.7%	98.7%	97%

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Key Stage 1 Diary Dates - Summer Term 2018

Thursday 17th May 2018 Year 1 and 2 Project Homework hand in

If your child has completed project homework related to 'Walking in Windmill Woods' in Year 1 or Year 2, please ensure that they have brought it in today.

Friday 18th May 2018 Year F's 'Teddy Bears Picnic' at Lanhydrock

Class F will be visiting Lanhydrock and having a 'Teddy Bears Picnic'. *A letter has been sent out.

Tuesday 22nd May 2018 Year 1 and 2's 'Walking in Windmill Woods' Project Showcase

and Year F's Showcase of work 2.45pm – 3.15pm

In Year 1 and Year 2, you are invited in to see what your child has been learning in their 'Walking in Windmill Woods' project this half term (including the homework that the children have produced). Year F parents will also be invited in to see their child's learning this half term.

Monday 28th May 2018 Half Term Week

Wednesday 6th June 2018 KS1 Cake Sale

Cakes will be sold during KS1 break time. The school will donate the cakes this time. All cakes will be 20p. Please can children bring money in a purse/envelope labelled with their name.

Thursday 7th June 2018 KS1 parents 'Come into Class and Read with your Child' 9am - 9.30am

Year F, 1 and 2 classrooms will be open for parents to come and read with their child.

Monday 11th June to Friday 15th June Year 1 Phonics Screening check (and re-screening for any Year 2 pupils who did not pass/did not take it last year)

Please ensure your child is in school during this period.

Monday 11th June 2018 Year F's Trip to Launceston Castle

Year F will be visiting the Launceston Castle as part of their project 'Castles'. *A separate letter to follow.

Monday 18th June Whole School 'Health and Well-being week'

The children will take part in lots of related activities during the week. Please ensure that their PE kit is in school.

Wednesday 27th June 2018 Year 2 visit to Pendruccombe Care Home *2nd visit

10 pupils will visit Pendruccombe Care Home as part of a community project to build the link between two generations. All the pupils will have the opportunity to attend before the end of term, as long as their consent form has been signed and returned.

Wednesday 27th June 2018 Year 1's Trip to Launceston Castle

Year 1 will be visiting the Launceston Castle as part of their project 'Knights and Dragons'. *A separate letter to follow.

Friday 29th June KS1 (including Year F) mixed Sports morning

A mixed sports morning for KS1. This will also help prepare them for Sports Day.

Tuesday 3rd July 2018 Year 1 and 2 Parents 'Come and Learn Punctuation and Grammar Workshop' 9 – 9.45am

Year 1 and 2 classrooms will open for parents to come and learn punctuation and grammar with their child. This will be a great opportunity to find out about what your child is learning and how it is taught.

Wednesday 4th July KS1 (including F) Sports day 10am start

Sports day for KS1 at Coronation Park. This event will last around an hour. Refreshments will be available.

Thursday 5th July 2018 Key Stage One Enrichment day

As part of KS1's projects will be having an enrichment day. For Year F, the theme is Pirates and in Year 1 and 2, it is Knights and Dragons. The children are encouraged to dress up for this day. They will be taking part in lots of events linked to their projects.

Friday 6th July 2018 Year 1 and 2 Project Homework hand in

If your child has completed project homework related to 'Knights and Dragons', please ensure that they have brought it in today. A homework menu will be sent out after half term.

Monday 9th July 2018 Year 2 Trip to Launceston Castle

Year 2 will be visiting the Launceston Castle as part of their project 'Knights and Dragons'. *A separate letter to follow.

Tuesday 10th July 2018 Year 1 and 2 'Knights and Dragons' Project Showcase and Year F's Showcase of work 2.45pm – 3.15pm

In Year 1 and Year 2, you are invited in to see what your child has been learning in their 'Knights and Dragons' project this half term (including the homework that the children have produced). Year F parents will also be invited in to see their child's learning this half term.

Wednesday 11th July KS1 (including F) Sports day *alternative date* 10am start

Sports day for KS1 at Coronation Park in case it is cancelled on the 4th July due to the weather.

Week beginning 16th July 2018 Whole School Transition Week

The children will spend the whole week in their next class to aid transition.

Wednesday 18th July 2018 Year 2 visit to Pendruccombe Care Home *3rd visit

10 pupils will visit Pendruccombe Care Home as part of a community project to build the link between two generations. All the pupils will have the opportunity to attend before the end of term, as long as their consent form has been signed and returned.

Wednesday 18th July 2018 Whole school – Reports to parents

Monday 23rd July 2018 Whole school end of term party

*A separate letter to follow.

Tuesday 24th July 2018 Last day of term

The Autumn term starts on Thursday 6th September 2018.

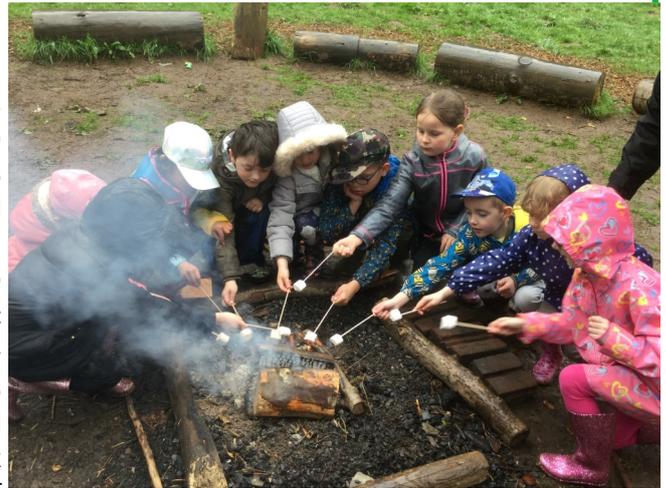
Key Stage 1 News

Year 1 and Year 2's Trip to Cardinham Woods



This week Year 1 and Year 2 went to Cardinham Woods to take part in Wild Tribe Forest School activities that were linked to our topic work for this half-term which is 'Walking in Windmill Woods'. We took part in a number of activities that focused on enhancing our scientific knowledge

about plants and animals ... as well as having great fun too! We were able to develop our observational skills whilst on a nature walk and when bug hunting. We also made dens, played in the mud kitchen, developed our survival skills by learning about how to safely light a camp fire and enjoyed toasting marshmallows. Thank you to our Badger Forest School leaders and to all the parent helpers who enabled us to have such a great day.



Key dates

A new KS1 diary dates list will be sent home very soon. Sorry for the delay but due to Mrs Bassett breaking her wrist it has taken a lot longer than usual!

Please ensure that **Year 2** pupils are in school for the **month of May** as this is when they will be completing their special work.

Please also ensure **Year 1** pupils are in school during the **week beginning the 11th June** as this is the week that they will be completing their Phonics Screening Check. This also applies to any pupils in Year 2 who did not take or did not pass when they were in Year 1.



Key Stage 2 News

Year 3's Exeter Excursion

As a hook for their new topic this term, Year 3 visited Exeter where they ventured into the underground passages, saw Roman remains and toured the cathedral. Beginning the day at the passages, the children put on their hard hats before walking deep beneath the streets of Exeter, learning about the various uses throughout their history. They then walked to the old Roman city walls and on to Exeter Cathedral where they had a well-deserved lunch. Recharged, they set off in groups around the cathedral with a quiz and things to discover before returning to school for the end of the day. Year 3 have already put some of their new learning and discoveries to good use back in class in their English, History and RE sessions. A great day out!



Year 3's Multicultural Day

On Tuesday 27th March, Year 3 enjoyed a range of activities based on some of our multicultural learning from the spring term. Throughout the day the children took part in food tasting linked to our multicultural stories in English, the art of rangoli patterns outside with coloured chinks, some French music using the cellos and a Cornish song and dance. They also created some paper multicultural dolls independently and learned a song singing hello in a variety of languages. A big thank you to Mrs Gilbert who came to join us in the morning for our music, not to mention all the people who came to our drop in at the end of the day to see what the children had created.



KS2 SATs



SATs week has now arrived! You have all been working SO hard to prepare for them. Keep up the good work....continue to work hard for a short while longer and then we can enjoy the rest of the Summer. Revise well, think carefully and do the very best that you can.

GOOD LUCK TO EVERY ONE OF YOU.



Y5 Cricket Maths

Last week, Year five were very lucky to have Mr Glenn come into class to help us with some maths learning in the context of cricket. We gemmed up on lots of mental maths, including prime numbers, percentages, multiplication and division.. Can you put your skills to the test?

Gemma wants to buy a cricket bat that normally costs £180.00.

It has a 30% reduction in the sale. How much will she now need to pay?

