

JUNE NEWSLETTER



COCKWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 30th June, 2023

Summer Vibes...

What wonderful weather we have had over the last few weeks! It has been challenging at Hope Church keeping everyone cool but we have purchased Dyson air coolers and additional fans to reduce the heat indoors and tried to ensure water bottles have been constantly topped up. During playtimes and lunchtimes we have utilised the shady spot beside the church and tried to provide shade with gazebos.

It is typical and a dreadful shame the only days the weather has been poor is our planned Sport's Days! Fingers crossed next Friday it will be 'third time lucky' and we can all enjoy a special morning together over on the Cockwood Village Green.

The next week or two are incredibly busy, we have move up mornings, a PE Impact Day, a trip to Dawlish Warren, Wimbledon and a music event. We also have our Year 6 and staff production of 'Matilda' and both the Class 3 and Leaver's assemblies. Please keep an eye on the website for any changes to dates etc.

You will receive your child's annual report in the next few weeks and this is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate your child's learning journey this academic year. There have been lots of super opportunities since September and over the next few weeks we still have time to make some more lovely memories for our oldest pupils who will be moving onto secondary school after the summer.

KEEPING IN TOUCH...

We are constantly looking for ways to share your child's learning and school experiences with you and the wider community. We have now set up @cockwoodprimary on Instagram and Facebook- Cockwood Primary School (look for our logo). You can also follow us on twitter @CockwoodPrimary Please follow us and share with your family and friends.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MON 3RD JULY-FRI 7TH JULY

Careers Week

WEDNESDAY 5TH JULY

PE Impact Day- Orienteering

THURSDAY 6TH JULY

Wimbledon Trip

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Mr Ford taking a Music assembly (whole school)

FRIDAY 7TH JULY

Sport's Day- 9-11.30am

TUESDAY 11TH JULY

Move up morning

WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY

Year 6 and Staff show- 'Matilda' at the Langstone Cliff Hotel 6.30pm

THURSDAY 13TH JULY

Whole school trip to Dawlish Warren Nature Reserve

TUESDAY 18TH JULY

2nd Move Up morning

WEDNESDAY 19TH JULY

Class 3 Assembly 9.15am

THURSDAY 20TH JULY

Music Event- Uffculme

FRIDAY 21ST JULY

Leaver's Assembly 9.15am

CHOIR SING FOR HOPE FRIENDS



The choir were invited to sing to Hope Church Friends who meet every Thursday downstairs in the auditorium. They sang for 30 minutes to the audience performing a range of songs, and then enjoyed squash and cake and a chance to talk to the visitors. We are very proud of the children for their wonderful singing and how polite and friendly they were to the audience.



CLASS 3 CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL

This term Class 3 have had some super experiences meeting and learning about different animals. We welcomed Bryher, the pony to Hope Church, alongside a little hand-reared lamb. Pupils have released butterflies at the countryside park and visited the zoo.



YEAR 3 AND 4 CAMPING TRIP

Last week, Year 3 and 4 enjoyed a fabulous evening camping out on the Kenn field with pupils from both Kenn and Kenton Primary Schools.

They enjoyed a scavenger hunt, a football tournament, toasting marshmallows and reading stories around the camp fire. Kenn School provided a wonderful feast for supper including hot dogs, pizza and cake!

Most children were asleep by midnight, with many rising at 4.50am to watch the sunrise!

Thank you very much to Mrs Brewer and Mr Fenton for making this trip possible.



CLASS 1 ENTERPRISE PROJECT

Class 1 have been working this half term on developing their own business ideas and products. We have taken part in the Virgin Money Make £5 Grow challenge; Virgin Bank lend each child £5 as a loan to get their businesses up and running. The money raised from the sale of their products then gets put towards the Class 1 Residential next year. We were delighted to see so many people attend the Enterprise Fete; we haven't done the final count but we are delighted to have raised around £650 (we will send out a final figure next week once other monies have come in).

Dawlish Mayor, Rosie Dawson, attended and loved speaking to all the children and was really impressed with the quality and range of products on sale.

There were such a variety of objects for sale from clay badges and trinket boxes, key rings, bookmarks, birthday cards, money boxes, bath bombs, wind chimes and bird boxes.



ALWAYS CLUB

We are very excited to announce we will be taking the latest nine members of the Always Club to a special screening of the Mario Brothers movie at the Picturehouse, Exeter on Tuesday 18th July. We will send a letter to those invited, please return the permission slip. There will be no cost as this is a special treat to recognise their efforts for good behaviour, manners and always doing the right thing.

ATTENDANCE

Our attendance over the last week has been 96.5%, which is improving, but our average for the year is 95.3%. This figure equates to 691 days of lost learning across our three classes, your child's attendance for the year will be on their report. We have some children who have had 100% attendance all year and we look forward to rewarding this in our end of year assembly- what a fantastic achievement.

Please can we remind you, we cannot authorise absence during term time unless absolutely exceptional circumstances. Your child needs to be in school every day to ensure they make the most progress.

FINALLY...

We have reached that part of the year where the summer holidays are almost in sight, everyone is getting tired but we need that last push to get us through July. We are looking forward to meeting our new EYFS children when they come for our move up mornings.

Hopefully we can all enjoy Sport's Day together next week and we will see a lot of you at the Year 6 production of 'Matilda' on Wednesday 12th July.

Alison Roper