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Otterton C of E Primary School Newsletter

23rd April 2021

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It has been wonderful to see all the children back in school after the Easter break, the first week back has been a busy one, with allotment visits, orienteering and lots of amazing learning. The plans for the rest of this term are in full swing and we have lots of exciting things ahead, including parent's meetings, Y6 Bikeability, Sports Days, day trips, an end of year service and maybe even a production!

School Photographs

School photographs will have come home with your child this week. Please ensure that all orders are back in school with full payment no later than Friday 30th April. Orders can also be placed online.

After School Club

After School Club is now running on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3pm until 5pm. The cost of this is £7.50 per session (£7 for additional siblings). This price includes all activities, a snack and a drink. Please email the office to book.

KS1 Sports Club

There are still places available for Monday afternoon KS1 Sports club at a cost of £3 per session. Please contact the office to book a place.

Early Morning Club

The price of Early Morning Club is now £3.50 (£3.00 for siblings), this includes all activities, a snack and a drink. Please email the office to book.

Childcare Vouchers

We are pleased to confirm that we can now accept Computershare and Edenred Childcare Vouchers for Early Morning and After School Club. Please contact the office if you will be using vouchers so payment can be allocated.

Guitar and Ukulele lessons

Kara our guitar teacher is offering 50% off first lessons. If your child would like to take part in guitar or ukulele lessons please contact Kara directly on karajade273@gmail.com

Parent Workshop

A free, informal workshop for parents and carers to consider the links between behaviour and speech, language and communication needs. This event will be held virtually on Tuesday 15th June 2021, 10am – 12pm. Does your child have difficulty with:

- Listening?
- Attention?
- Communication?
- Friendships?
- Literacy?

The session will aim to raise awareness of speech, language and communication needs (SLCN) and consider the impact on a child's social, emotional and mental health (SEMH). SLCN can become apparent through a child's behaviour in a variety of ways and we shall provide further insight into these complex links.

The session provides an opportunity to share ideas about what works for you and a chance to discuss and learn from other parents/carers.

To book your free place, please contact: Sue Vanstone 01392 287355 sue.vanstone@babcockinternational.com

Leavers Hoodies

Thank you to OCEA who have purchased leavers hoodies for the Y6 children, they look great!

Parent Governor

We have a vacancy for a Parent Governor to sit on the local board. Please see our website for details.

Y6 Dartmoor Trips

Your child will be bringing a letter home today, please could the consent form and SOE3a form be returned to school by Monday, payments need to be made on ParentPay please.

This half term our Value we will focus on is Compassion.

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Get Tested to Help Keep Devon Safe

As we move to the next stage of Covid-19 restrictions easing, every adult in Devon is now being encouraged to take a quick, lateral flow test for coronavirus at least twice a week to help stop the virus spreading.

Around 1 in 3 people with COVID-19 don't have any symptoms but can pass it on. Regular testing helps identify those who are likely to have the virus, unknowingly and is essential to help stop the virus spreading and to protect one another.

Getting a rapid test is fast and convenient providing a result within the hour. Anyone over 18 can now access these tests in Devon, including:

- being tested at one of our many mobile rapid testing sites
- collecting home test kits from any of our mobile rapid testing sites
- collecting home test kits from NHS testing locations and pharmacies that are part of the Pharmacy Collect Scheme
- having home test kits from the NHS delivered to your home

People with symptoms -new and continuous cough, high temperature, or change to their usual sense of taste or smell- should still immediately self-isolate and arrange a PCR test via the NHS.

Test and Trace Support Payments

If you or a child needs to self-isolate, you might be able to get a Test and Trace Support payments of £500 if either:

- you have been told to self-isolate because of coronavirus (COVID-19) and you cannot work from home
- you're the parent or guardian of a child who has been told to self-isolate and you need to take time off to look after them

You must be employed or self-employed to get the payment. Further details and eligibility can be found [here](#).

Applications for the support payment is made via the local council using the link below

[Test & Trace Support Payment - EAST DEVON](#)

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