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Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas Meal

We shared a wonderful Christmas meal as a school.



Christmas Performances

Well done to all the children for their amazing singing, dancing and acting. They delighted their audiences.

Reception and Year One, 'Fireside Nativity'



Year Four 'Cinderella'



Years Five and Six 'Peter Pan'



Years One, Two, Three, Four, Five and Six, 'The Snow Queen', The Plough@St Anne's

The children enjoyed the magical wintery performance.



Topics

The Spring Term will commence on Wednesday 4th January 2023 and the topics are as follows:

Reception and Year One - Moon Zoom

Years Two and Three - Tribal Tales

Year Four - Smashing Saxons and Scots

Years Five and Six - Gods and Mortals

The children in Years One to Six will be bringing home their topic books for you to share.

Please can you send in any sparkly or plain Christmas wrapping paper or decorations when we return in January.

Thursday 5th January, Year Four, Anglo Saxon Living History, Escot, Exeter

Your child will need to wear warm outdoor clothing and footwear and bring a waterproof coat, hat, gloves, a packed lunch and their water bottle. School packed lunches can be ordered by emailing the attached form by Wednesday 4th January. Please drop your child off at the Village Hall at 8.10 am where Mr Roulstone will be waiting. Please collect your child from the Village Hall at 4.30 pm.

Friday 6th January, Years Five and Six, Sports Hall Athletics, Pilton Community College

Children will need to come to school wearing their Goodleigh School PE kit. Your child will need to bring their swimming kit for the afternoon, a packed lunch, plenty of water to drink and a warm waterproof coat. School packed lunches can be ordered by emailing the attached form by Wednesday 4th January.

Forest School

Reception, Years One and Two will have Forest School every week as follows:

Reception,	Tuesday
Year One, Year Two	Friday

Please can you ensure that your child has warm clothing and wellington boots in school. Forest School clothing will be sent home each week for washing. It would be really helpful if all clothing is named. Thank you.

After School Clubs

Please note that after school clubs will commence on Wednesday 4th January. Please see the permission slip below for a list of the clubs and complete and return it to the school office if you would like your child to attend an after school club(s).

Primary School Admissions for September 2023

The admissions team have asked us to remind all that the primary school admissions closing date is at midnight on 15th January 2023.

PE

Please make sure that your child has their PE kit in school every day.

Menu

Please find the menu attached it will be the Week One menu when the children return on Wednesday 4th January.

Instrumental Tuition

Please see below details of when music lessons will commence for the Spring Term.

Commencing:

Thursday 5 th January	Clarinet and Saxophone with Carol Dewis
Monday 16 th January	Guitar with Hannah Woollacott
Wednesday 18 th January	Flute, Fife and Keyboard with Catherine Nicholls

Swimming

We have organised swimming for the whole school beginning in January. We are employing Leisure Centre coaches and every child will have a one hour lesson. The pool timetable has changed and we have had to make the decision that pupils will need to be collected from outside the Leisure Centre instead of school.

Reception, Year One and Year Two Swimming Thursdays

Lessons will begin on Thursday 5th January for Reception, Year One and Year Two and you will need to collect your child from outside the Leisure Centre between 3.20 pm and 3.30 pm. Please do not enter the Leisure Centre as a member of staff will bring the children outside for safe collection.

For families that have siblings where one child may be swimming and one child may be at school, please collect your child that is swimming first and we will look after the older sibling in school for collection at approximately 3.45 pm or your child may be booked in for an after school club.

Years Three, Four, Five and Six Swimming Fridays

Lessons will begin on Friday 6th January for Years Three, Four, Five and Six and you need to collect your child from outside the Leisure Centre from 3.15 pm onwards. Please do not enter the Leisure Centre as a member of staff will bring the children outside for safe collection.

For families that have siblings where one child may be swimming and one child may be at school, please collect your **child from school first at 3.10 pm**. Please complete the slip below if you intend to collect your child at 3.10 pm. Once you have decided on the collection time please only change this arrangement in exceptional circumstances by notifying the office.

We are requesting that parents and carers do not come along as spectators as this is very distracting and it can cause distress and unnecessary upset for a number of children. We commit significant resources to this activity and want all children to enjoy the experience and make maximum progress. We thank you in anticipation of your support.

One piece swimming costumes need to be worn and swimming trunks should not be below the knees. If your child's hair is below their shoulders it will need to be tied back or they will need to wear a swimming hat. If your child normally wears swimming goggles they may wear them to the lessons, although you will need to have provided permission and accepted responsibility for any injury involving swimming goggles within the Parental Consent (SOE3a) Form.

The staff and children would like to thank you for your support during 2022 and wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Kind regards,

Claire Grant

Executive Headteacher

Diary Dates

Monday 2 nd January	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 3 rd January	Non Pupil Day
Wednesday 4 th January	First Day of Term
Wednesday 4 th January	Years Two, Three, Four, Five and Six, 'History Through Drama', Plough Arts Workshops
Thursday 5 th January	Year Four, Anglo Saxon Living History, Escot, Exeter
Thursday 5 th January	Reception, Years One and Two, Swimming Starts
Friday 6 th January	Years Five and Six Sports Hall Athletics, Pilton Community College
Friday 6 th January	Years Three, Four, Five and Six, Swimming Starts
Tuesday 10 th January	Reception and Year One, Planetarium, Ilfracombe Infant and Nursery School
Wednesday 11 th January	Years Two and Three, Stone Age to Iron Age Walking Tour, Bellever, Dartmoor. Please drop your child off at the Village Hall at 8.30 am.
Monday 16 th January	Years Four, Five and Six, Mapping Our Town Project, Barnstaple Museum
Tuesday 17 th January	Whole School, Skateboarding and Scootering
Wednesday 18 th January	Reception, Years One, Two and Three, Mapping Our Town Project, Barnstaple Museum
Wednesday 18 th January	Year Four, Tennis Festival, Tarka Tennis, Barnstaple
Friday 20 th January	Years Three, Four, Five and Six, 'Explore the Orchestra: Midnight Magic', Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, Exeter Year Three, Exeter Mosque Years Four, Five and Six, Royal Albert Memorial Museum
Monday 23 rd January	Chinese New Year
Tuesday 24 th January	Years Three and Four, Tree Planting at Yeo Valley Community Woodland, please pick up your child at 3.30 pm from Kingdom Hall, Derby Road, EX32 7HP
Wednesday 25 th January	Years Five and Six, Tree Planting at Yeo Valley Community Woodland, please pick up your child at 3.30 pm from Kingdom Hall, Derby Road, EX32 7HP
Friday 10 th February	Non Pupil Day

After School Clubs Permission Slip

Please complete and return to the office if you would like your child to attend an after school club(s)

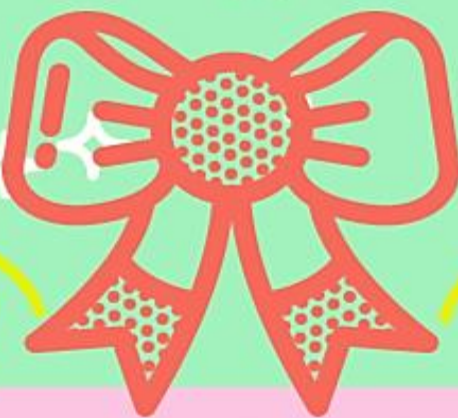
Name of child / children	When	Activity	For
	Monday 3.30-4.30	Construction	EYFS, Years 1-2
	Monday 3.30-4.30	Board Games	Years 3-5
	Monday 3.30-4.30	Fun SATs	Year 6
	Tuesday 3.30-4.30	Secret Garden Play	EYFS, Years 1-2
	Tuesday 3.30-4.30	Football	Years 3-6
	Wednesday 3.30-4.30	Film	EYFS, Years 1-6
	Thursday 3.30-4.30	Dance	EYFS, Years 1-2
	Thursday 3.30-4.30	Netball	Years 2-6

Parent/Carer signature



BARNSTAPLE
TOWN COUNCIL

FREE Christmas Craft Day



20TH DECEMBER 2022

10AM-3PM

CARD MAKING | BUTTON ORNAMENTS | PAPER SNOWFLAKES

& MORE CRAFTS

ALL WELCOME

