

Cotford St Luke: 1-minute newsletter



Thank you to all those who attended Parent's Evening. It is always good to catch up and discuss the learning your child has been doing. Whilst we formally have two parents evening events a year, if you ever want to speak to us about your child, please do contact the office and arrange a time.

The children have recently met our new PCSO Mike Bell; hopefully they'll recognise a friendly and supportive face when they see him out and about in the village.

Last week, Year 5 enjoyed a trip to Paignton Zoo which supported their Science topic of 'Living Things and their Habitats'. The children took part in a classification workshop led by the zoo's education team and enjoyed learning about a wide range of animals, demonstrating excellent behaviour throughout the day. Well done Year 5s!

Oak Class also enjoyed a trip to the park for a play and a picnic this week. It was great to see how well they walked together and hear how much fun they all had.

I really enjoy weeks like this in school as curriculum work and projects get finished. I have been lucky enough to see light puppet shows, engineering work, computer coding, dance shows and excellent writing. I hope the children have been sharing their learning with you at home.

The next PTA event is the spring Bingo on Friday 24th April, we hope to see many of you there. As well as fundraising, the PTA does an incredible job of organising events for the children and school. They could really use more support to keep these events going. If you can give any time and enthusiasm, please do contact the PTA at cotfordstlukepta@gmail.com or have a chat about what you can do. The bingo will be an ideal time to have a chat with anyone from the committee.

This week, our Spring Term attendance letters were sent out. If you received one, please do not be offended, they are a mechanism to support good attendance in school. Please do talk to me about what we can do to support attendance.

An attendance level of...	...means a pupil will miss this many days...	...and this many lessons	If a pupil is late each day by...	...they will miss this many days of teaching...	...and this many lessons over a year
100%	0	0	5 minutes	3	15
95%	10	50	10 minutes	6	30
90%	19	95	15 minutes	9	45
80%	39	195	20 minutes	12	60
50%	95	475	30 minutes	18	90

Dartmoor Marathon:

The School Council has been supporting the Angel Starfish Project: [The Angel Starfish Project | Charity | South Africa | Cape Town](#) They have been fundraising throughout the year. I am keen to help support the School Council with their aims. On 12th April I am running, walking and possibly crawling the Dartmoor marathon. The route is devilishly hilly but very scenic. There is absolutely no pressure to do so, I am looking for sponsorship for this incredible charity that, educates, feeds and looks after vulnerable children in Cape Town. I have funded the marathon place so that the money goes to the charity. If you would like to donate please follow this link: https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/qgW32A72l?utm_campaign=sharemodal&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=shortlink

Many thanks for your support.

Attendance

This week the whole school has attendance of 95.7%. Thank you for supporting your child's attendance. Here is a further breakdown:

Oak: 89.9% **Pine:** 97.3% **Willow:** 93.8% **Hazel:** 96.7% **Poplar:** 97.6% **Rowan:** 92.2% **Maple:** 98.3% **Sycamore:** 98.9%

Where ever possible children should be in school. To help decide if your child is well enough for school, please use this guide from the NHS: [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)

Summer Term Dates

Friday 24th April – PTA Bingo

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday

W/C 11th May – Year 6 SATs Week

Monday 18th – Wednesday 20th May – Year 6 Residential

W/C 25th May – Half Term

Friday 5th June – Sports Day

Friday 19th June – INSET Day – School closed to pupils

Safeguarding Concerns

If you are worried about the welfare of a child, please use these contacts:

Children's Social Care on: 0300 123 2224,

NSPCC: 08001111 (under 18) or 0808 800 5000 (over 18)

In an emergency call 999

School: safeguarding@cslprimary.co.uk or 01823 430831

Please see below adverts that may be of some interest.



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GLOVERS

vs Morecambe | Saturday 21st March
vs Truro City | Friday 3rd April
vs FC Halifax | Saturday 11th April
vs Solihull Moors | Saturday 25th April

ADULTS - £10
U14/ U16 - £1



SCAN FOR TICKETS

AVAILABLE TO ALL SASP FAMILIES WITH VOUCHER CODE : SASPYED



New players welcome U8s (Year 3)

Make new friends, learn new skills, be part of a team, and get active!

FA Qualified Coaches, safe and positive learning environment, and all abilities welcome.

There is a place for you at Bishops Lydeard AFC.



To register your interest contact Julie via email bla.fc.julie@outlook.com

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