### **Diverse Dates** for your diary

Friday, 23rd October **Inset Day-school** closed to children

Monday, 26th October Half Term week

Friday, 6th **November Bonfire & Fireworks** 

Friday, 13th November **Children in Need** "Be a Hero"

Wednesday, 25th November Year 5 Cake Sale

Saturday, 12th December **Christmas Fair in** the Pavilion 2-4pm

Tuesday, 15th December **Christmas Lunch** 

Friday, 18th December Last day of Autumn Term



# **POPPLEFORD POST**

### 2015/10



Years 1-6 took part in the Sidmouth Science Festival this year. The children produced some fantastic artwork related to the theme of 'The Sea'. The children's artwork, produced on hexagons, was put together for the general public to view in the Hatton and Amyatt Rooms at Kennaway House.

Our hexagons looked brilliant at the exhibition. The super news is that **Class CW** (Year 4) won the overall competition for the best hexagons!

Their sea fossil hexagons looked great. A prize is to follow! The winning entry is on the right! www.sidmouthsciencefestival.org

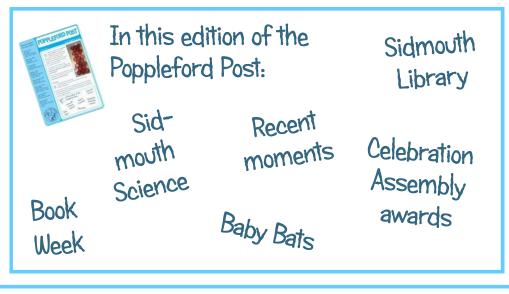
### **Book Week**



During Book Week we were busy

looking at poems and writing Emotion poems for The Young Writer's Competition.

During the week children in Class CW made books and then shared their books with different classes during a buddy reading session. It was lovely to see the children sharing their books so enthusiastically. See the Recent Moments page for pictures.



### **OCTOBER 2015**



# **RECENT MOMENTS**

Year 3 spent the morning in the River Otter with the East Devon River Ranger st



For more photos see the Year 3 class page on our website!

## **MORE RECENT MOMENTS**





Year 4 building animal shelters on the far field .....and...... Buddy readers

# **COUNTRYSIDE LEARNING**

### **BATS AT OTTERTON MILL**



Friday 30 October 10.00am-4.00pm Otterton Mill, Otterton EX9 7HG

Earlier this year volunteers from Devon Bat Group were called to rescue several baby pipistrelle bats who had decided to abandon their roost in favour of the walkway by the café! Join **Clinton Devon Estates** and licensed bat worker Sarah Butcher to find out what happened to the babies. Learn more about these amazing nocturnal mammals and how we can manage the countryside better for bats.

Find us at Otterton Mill with bat information and activities for children. *Parking at the mill is limited so why not follow a fact-finding trail along the River, starting from Budleigh, Lime Kilns car park and collect a small reward at the end?* 

For more information contact Countryside Learning Officer, Kate Ponting 01395 446 918 kate.ponting@clintondevon.co.uk



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### Friends of the Commons

#### FREE to join.

Talks, walks and regular email updates on the important work of the Pebblebed Heath Conservation Trust

www.pebblebedheaths.org.uk



If you're looking for something to do during the half term holiday then you could go batty at Otterton Mill (see above) or become a Toad Town searcher at Sidmouth Library (see Page 5 for further details)!



**Sidmouth Library** is running a children's competition throughout half term and the following week. It is **"Toad's Town Search"** and entry forms will be available from the library commencing Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

All entries need to be handed into the library by Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November when a winner will be selected from the correct entries. There will also be an ongoing craft activity available in the children's library throughout the week and a Story Time at 10am on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October.

### **CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY CERTIFICATES**



Congratulations to the following children who were awarded certificates in the recent Celebration Assembly :

<b>Reception</b> Ava Russell	Oscar Alam	Amelia Sexton
<b>Year 1</b> Lacey White	Daisy Herrett	
<b>Year 2</b> Jack Tillotson	Ryan Avery	
<b>Year 3</b> Jack Scorey	Holly Kavanagh	
Lily Belcher <b>Year 4</b> Ellen Cox	Issy Nelson	
Lois McGowan <b>Year 5</b> James Cuffley	Grace Saunders	This certificate to This certificate to for a positive attitude to work, which is alweys well presented.
<b>Year 6</b> Reece Payne	Katie Hallett	for a positive autor well presented.

# Have a Safe and refreshing Half Term

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