

## Dates for your diary:

12—16 May Year 6 SATs week.

20 May \* Year 1 assembly to parents. 9.15am.

*Please note revised date-*  
Tuesday 20 May-KS1 Mini Olympics-commencing at 10am.

26—30 May Half Term.

*Please note revised date-*  
Tuesday 3 June-KS 2 Sports Day-commencing at 1pm

4 June \* Years 3 & 4 trip to Woodbury Common.

9-13 June \* Year 5 Residential trip to Escot.

13 June \* Year 6 Cake Sale.

24 June \* Year 3 Fossil Hunting trip to Charmouth.

27 June \* Year 5 assembly to parents. 9.15am.

27 June \* Summer Fete.

4 July \* Year 2 assembly to parents. 9.15am.

23 July \* Break up. 1.30pm

## Mr Vaughan's Update

This term has already started off with lots going on, one highlight already was our team in the Exmoor Challenge (see the report below). This week is of course SATs week for year 6, I am sure they will give their best in these. A reminder to parents that next week is Mini Olympics on Tuesday starting at about 10am. Lets hope we start to get some good weather soon!

## Exmoor Challenge 2014

It seems a long time ago since our students took part in their first Exmoor Challenge training walk on a very wet and blustery day in March, but Saturday 3rd May was the day of the event itself and, fortunately, the weather couldn't have been better.

This year, we had one team made up of Lewis, Ellie, CJ and Molly. The aim is to walk 16 miles across Exmoor with a target time of 5 and a half hours. As usual, penalty points are incurred for arriving too early or too late at check points and the children were also required to answer questions on route about map reading or local geography and history. New for this year, an additional checkpoint was added just before the event, missing this carrying a 20 point penalty. I would like to say how proud I am of the team, they all put in a lot of training, walking over 70 miles in 6 weekends and it was great to see them being cheered across the finishing line by the many assembled parents. They managed to come a very respectable 19th of all the primary school teams competing and 47th in the overall mixed category which includes teams up to year 9 (year 6 being the youngest competitors).

Below are the before and after pictures of the team. My thanks to Mrs.

Tollerfield, Mrs. Towers and the many parents for their help and support.



## Stars of the week

Class AT: Jessie Stone, Imogen Norman

Class GH: Jack Coke, Sammy Richards

Class HC: Kieran McNulty, Sam Kennelly

Class AS: Bianca Beavis, Taylor Whitehead

Class CW: Bonnie Brown

Class RT: Chloe Wilkin

Class JM: Robbie Hallett, Jess Anker

## Team points update — Spring Term

Red: 345

Blue: 334

Green: 333

Yellow: 353

# Sports News:

On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April Year 6 headed over to The Kings School in Ottery St. Mary for the East Devon Tag rugby finals. Out of all the 16 teams that qualified, I feel that we were drawn in a tough group. Everyone played well, and after the first game we instantly improved using the width and working well as a team. Unfortunately we just missed out on qualifying for the quarter final's as we finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in a difficult group.

The two teams that qualified for the Devon final's were Honiton and Sidmouth Primary, consequently two teams that we have already beaten this year. Well Done to Immy, Abby, Tanisha, Tia, Robbie, CJ, Noah, Will, Samuel and Lewis R.

On Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May I had the responsibility of organising the Year 3/4 and 5/6 Quad Kids East Devon athletics' qualifiers.

Sidmouth College were kind enough to donate their athletics track and children from Sidmouth Primary, Sidbury and of course ourselves took part in 4 events:

-75m/50m Sprint

-600m/400m run

-Vortex Throw

-Standing Long Jump

It was a really good event and the top two teams qualify for the East Devon Final's at The Kings School. The results are as follows:

Year 5/6

1<sup>st</sup> Sidmouth

2<sup>nd</sup> Newton Poppleford

3<sup>rd</sup> Sidbury

Year 3/4

1<sup>st</sup> Sidbury

2<sup>nd</sup> Newton Poppleford

3<sup>rd</sup> Sidmouth

Well Done to the following children:

Year 5/6: Martha, Immy, Jess, Tia, CJ, Samuel, Lewis R and Josh

Year 3/4: Maddie, Sinead, Anya, Lauren, Joe, Reece, Jacob and Emile.

I would also like to thank the parents from Newton Poppleford who helped with the Vortex event, Mr Filer and Noah for the Standing Long Jump Event, your help was greatly appreciated.

If any parents know of any school blue PE tops, could they be returned to Mr Morison's room ASAP.

-**Also**, it is really important your child has the correct footwear and PE kit when participating in PE especially as we are in athletics' season.

-We are still collecting **Sainsbury's school vouchers**; the collection box is in reception.

-Just to inform you that the East Devon Rounder's qualifying tournament is taking part on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May, over at Sidbury Primary school.

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I am sure you will agree that it's been a busy half term for school sport! Lets cross our fingers and hope the sun can start to flourish so we can enjoy the summer sports such as athletics, cricket, rounder's and tennis!

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