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Comments from the Head Teacher:

We are really looking forward to seeing you all at Parents' Evenings next week.

Open Heart, Open Borders

Thank you to all the children and families who donated toys to the Aleppo children's appeal. Despite the short notice, we collected 4 large bags.

School Car Park Permits

If you are permitted to use the school car park, then please do not use the few spaces allocated to the neighbouring clinic.

School Nurse Clinics

The School Nurse, Nicky Freer, is continuing to hold monthly clinics at Abbey Surgery. The next dates are:
Tuesday 21st February 1.30-4.30pm
Tuesday 21st March 1.30-4.30pm
These clinics can be used to discuss any aspects of children's health. Please phone 619700 to book an appointment.

Local Maths Course

The Alexander Centre is running a preGCSE maths course which awards an Edexcel Level 1 on completion. The course is designed to prepare you for the GCSE Maths course which starts in September if you wish to continue.

Mark Wickett Soccer School

Half Term Holiday Camps

Mon 13th Feb Football and Goalkeeping 10am—4pm 5-8yrs old

Tue 14th Feb Just Play Football 10am—4pm 8-9yrs/10-11yrs old

Wed 15th Feb Cricket, Tennis, Hockey & Frisbee 10am—4pm 5-8yrs old

All bookings via Mark 01822 615995 or Sports Centre 01822 813238
£12 cash, £13 cheque

Healthy Eating

Processed foods can contain high levels of sugar, salt and saturated fat. Try to prepare and eat foods from fresh. Involve children with the preparation and cooking and try tempting them with raw vegetables instead of cooked.

Please remember that packed lunches brought to school should not contain any chocolate or sweets—save them for an occasional treat.

Family Assemblies

Due to the constraints of the school hall, please do not bring buggies in to the hall. If there was an emergency, we would need to evacuate quickly and buggies should be left outside the front of the school building.

Skills for Success—Responsibility

Last Thursday the Key Stage 2 children enjoyed an assembly from the Dartmoor Search and Rescue member, Mr Neil Richards. This voluntary service fully represents our skill for success for this term. We will be celebrating children who have demonstrated 'responsibility' in an assembly next week.

NSPCC Assemblies

Next Tuesday Roisin Turley (from the NSPCC) will be telling Key Stage 1 and 2 children about their 'Speak out. Stay safe.' campaign. A letter with more details accompanies this newsletter.

School Disco

We will be holding a school disco on Thursday 9th February for school aged children. No babies, toddlers or nursery children should be brought to this event.

Years R, Years 1 and 2—5pm to 6pm
Years 3, 4, 5 and 6—6.15pm to 7.15pm
£1 entry includes a drink and cake

All children must be signed in at the main entrance and collected by an adult. No child will be allowed to walk home alone.

Nursery Applications

We are now accepting applications for Nursery for September. Children who are 2 years old with 2Gether funding and children who will be 3 years old between 1st September and 31st December 2017 will be considered.

Debts to School

Please pay any outstanding monies owed to school as soon as possible. If you are finding things difficult, please talk to the Office, in confidence, and payment plans can be arranged.

Diary Dates

Family Assemblies in the Hall at 9.15

TOMORROW—Year 6
Friday 24th February—Year 4
Friday 3rd March—Year 1
Friday 10th March—Year 5
Friday 17th March—Year 2
Friday 24th March—Year Reception
End of Term Assembly—date tbc

Curriculum Sharing

Year 1—3rd March after assembly
Year 2—17th March after assembly
Year 3—21st March 2-3pm
Year 4—16th March 2-3pm
Year 5—10th March after assembly

February Dates

Mon 6th/Tues 7th—Parents' Evenings
Wed 8th—Parents' Eve—C5 and C7
Tues 7th—Safer Internet Day
Tues 7th—NSPCC assemblies
Thurs 9th—Cross Country @ TCPNS
Thurs 9th—School Disco
HALF TERM—Mon 13th—Fri 17th Feb
Wed 22nd—Y6 Porthpean meeting 6pm
Tues 28th—Cross Country @ Drogo
Tues 28th—NSPCC Y5/6 workshops

