# **Tavistock Primary & Nursery School**



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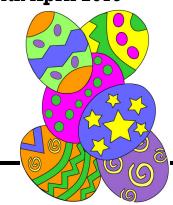
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Skill for Success this half term—
Understanding
Yourself

## 4th April 2019



## Message from Mrs Selbie:

I hope you all have a wonderful holiday and enjoy some well earned rest and relaxation. I look forward to seeing you all on **Tuesday 23rd April in time for the whistle at 8.55am**.

#### **Cross Country**

Last week our 5/6 girls' team represented West Devon in the Devon finals. They performed very well and came 5th out of 17 teams. They enjoyed a day full of activities and Mrs Lake and Mrs Stacey reported they were a credit to our school—well done Niamh, Jenna, Olivia, Miley and

Phoebe.

#### <u>Duck Race—</u> this afternoon

The HSA will hold their annual duck race in the Meadows. Bring your own duck or rent one for £1.

There are many chocolate treats to be won.

#### Homework

There will be no homework set for over the holidays except for Y2 and Y6. Y2 will bring home a reading comprehension paper and Y6 will have some past SAT papers. Homework Club will be available on Friday 3.15-4pm for Y6.

### **School Photographs**

Please make your orders online or return them to school by TOMORROW.

#### **Easter Holiday Sports' Camps**

Monday 8th and 15th April
Football and Goalkeeping 5-9yrs
Tuesday 9th and 16th April
Just Play Football 8-11yrs
Wednesday 10th April
Cricket, Tennis, Hockey & Frisbee
5-9yrs
10am to 4pm @ Tavistock College
Mark Wickett 615995/07975 832249

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**Spring Term Cups** 

We were delighted to award the following cups this morning and to hear our staff members speak with such passion about their achievements.

Amey Cup—Jessica-Mae
Striplin Cup—Youth Speaks Team of
Matilda, Isobel and Ben
Mealtime Cup—Alfie
Sportsmanship Cup—JJ
Dance Cup—Harley
Browns KS1 Cup—Will and Leo
Browns KS2 Cup—Ollie
Jade Stoke's Cup—Chloe
Swimming Cup—Miya

#### Miya's Fundraising

Miya will be climbing the highest mountain in England, Scafell Pike to raise money for the Arthritis Charity. Please support her with a donation if you can: <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/MiyaVsScafell?">https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/MiyaVsScafell?</a>
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#### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Our Education Welfare Officer, Sandra Nightingale, visits every half term to check our registers for attendance and punctuality.

Overall our attendance is better than national figures at 96.7% (national 96%). However, a small minority of children are not attending regularly and their absence is reflected in their academic achievement. Attendance below 90% is considered by the Department for Education to be 'persistent absence' and parents will be challenged to improve this. Children with long term medical conditions will not be penalised for their attendance **if** health information is provided.

# Wedding Bells (belles)!

In the Easter holidays two members of staff will be getting married to their long term partners.



So in the summer term we will welcome back -

Mrs Richards to C11 and Mrs Ruth to C2.

Enjoy your celebrations, congratulations and every happiness to you both!

## **Diary Dates**

### **Events in April**

TODAY—Duck Race after school 25th—Y4 Bellever walk 29th Y5 Heritage workshops 30th—Governing Board meeting 6pm

#### **Events in May**

2nd—Y5 maths group to Plym Uni 7th—Y5 Residential to London 9th—Chris Harding assembly 13th KS2 SATs 16th—Claire Barker, author visit 20th—KS1 SATs

22nd—Eduaction Welfare Officer visit

#### **Term Dates**

Fri 5th April Last day of term
Tues 23rd April First day of term
Mon 27th to Mon 3rd June Half term
Fri 19th July Last day of term for
children

Mon 22nd—training for teachers Tues 23rd—training for teachers

Mon 2nd Sept—training for teachers Tues 3rd Sept—First day of term for children

Mon 21st to Fri 25th Oct Half term