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NEWSLETTER 10

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the summer term!

As usual, we are looking forward to a busy, and important, few months - SATs will be coming up in May for Years 2 and 6 - please look out for information from class teachers regarding these - especially Year 6. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that we are unable to authorise holidays during term time, unless the circumstances are exceptional, and this is particularly important during May.

Hopefully we will have some lovely weather to enjoy - classes will be out and about enjoying a variety of trips which will enhance the taught curriculum - as well as optional residentials for Years 4, 5 and 6

PARENTS EVENINGS

Parents' evenings will be held for Foundation Stage and Years 1 to 5 during the week commencing April 25, with the late evenings being on Monday and Tuesday of that week.

SPONSORED SKIPATHON/WACKY WHEELS

Thank you for your support of these events which are still raising money for Sports Relief, as well as contributing to new games/outside equipment for Bowhill. Please send any outstanding sponsor money into school by the end of next week, after which we will be able to give you the grand total.

PTFA

Friends of Bowhill have several events lined up this term, including the annual disco and a summer fete. Information about the disco will be sent out in the next few weeks so look out for a letter from our hardworking PTFA. The Car Boot Sale has been postponed until the autumn term, owing to a clash with the St George's Day Parade.

GARDENING SATURDAY

With the lighter evenings and sunnier days, we are able to enjoy our grounds again and continue to improve the garden. We will be having a family gardening Saturday on 23 April between 10.00 and 1.00. We would appreciate as much help as possible - all welcome but please no unaccompanied children! If you are able to come along, even if it's only for an hour or two, please let the office know so we have an idea of how many to expect - weather permitting, I will arrange for the pizza oven to be lit to keep us going!

ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

The children are aware of how to use the adventure area safely and know that they are not allowed to play there without a member of staff supervising. At the end of the day can we ask parents not to let their children play on the adventure playground area unless they are closely supervised. Thank you.

PUNCTUALITY

A reminder that the school day starts at 9.00 a.m. for KS1 and 8.55 a.m. for KS2. Can parents please ensure their children are at school in good time for the start of the day and in the playground before the whistle is blown.

CONTACT DETAILS

It is very important that the contact details we hold for parents, guardians and carers are up to date. If you need to update your telephone number or address please let the school office know.

STAFFING UPDATE

We are very pleased to welcome Mrs Irena Hodges to our school who, in Mrs Webb's absence, will be teaching alongside Mrs Blower and Mrs Davey in R2. The end of the summer term is historically the time of year when information about staff changes take place along with class and year group information. However, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Price at the end of this academic year and she was keen to share that information with our families sooner, rather than later. In her own words, she is 'leaving to try new adventures. I have had a wonderful time at Bowhill- great children, parents and school. I have lots of great memories to take with me...thank you!' It goes without saying that we wish Mrs Price all the best and she will be missed by everyone.

FINALLY

The Summer Term is always a busy one - with that in mind we have a list of some key dates. Please make a note of them in your diary. However, do keep an eye open for updates on our website and in future newsletters as there are likely to be additions!

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Caren Brooks
Headteacher

Don't forget to keep checking our website which we update with news, photos and links - www.bowhill.devon.sch.uk

Key Dates - Summer Term 2016

APRIL

W/C April 18	Parents informed of Reception 2016 places
Friday 22 April	Year 5 Friday Feast
Saturday 23 April	Saturday morning gardening for families 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

MAY

May	KS1 SATs will be undertaken (Year 2)
Monday 2 May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 3 May	Year 5 Dawlish Warren trip (tbc)
W/C Monday 9 May	Year 6 KS2 SATs week
Friday 13 May	3/4 SK/AH Class Assembly
Friday 13 May	School Disco
W/C 16 May	Bikeability for some Year 6 children
Friday 20 May	3/4 SB Class Assembly - please note change of date
W/C 23 May	Bikeability for some Year 6 children
Friday 27 May	3/4 AR Class Assembly

JUNE

Tuesday 14 June	New reception children visit (am)
Tuesday 14 June	Year 6 Lifeskills (pm)
Friday 17 June	Year 3 Sleepover
Monday 20 June	New reception children visit (am)
Monday 20 June	Meeting for new Reception parents - 7.00 pm
Tuesday 21 - Friday 24 June	London residential years 5 & 6
Tuesday June 21	KS1 Pennywell Farm trip
Tuesday 28 June	New Reception children visit (am)

JULY

Friday 1 July	5/2 Class assembly
Monday 4 July	Year 5 Ladram Bay trip (tbc)
Thursday 7 July	Year 6 Secondary School Transition Day (tbc)
Wednesday 6 to Friday 8 July	Year 4 Dartmoor Residential
Monday 11 July	Year 6 Performances 2.00 p.m. and 6.00 p.m.
Friday 15 July	All School Summer Fete - 5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.
Thursday 21 July	All Last day of Summer Term
	Year 3/4 Dartmoor trip (tbc)