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### **End of Term**

Dear Parents, Guardians, Carers

We have reached the halfway point of this term; this period has been filled with exciting activities, sporting events, and engaging topics in learning. It's been wonderful to see the enthusiasm and joy that these experiences have brought to our pupils.

I would like to express a special thank you to our fantastic PTFA for organising fun activities, including the much-loved discos for the children. Your efforts have created wonderful memories for everyone.

A big thank you also goes out to all the parents who have volunteered for various trips and events. Your support and involvement make such a difference and are greatly appreciated.

Finally, I want to acknowledge and thank our incredible teaching staff who have generously given their time outside of normal working hours to support these activities and ensure they run smoothly. Your dedication is truly commendable.

I wish you all a restful and enjoyable half-term break. Take this time to relax, recharge, and spend quality moments with your loved ones. I look forward to seeing everyone back, refreshed, and ready to continue our journey of learning and discovery.

Warm regards,

### Mrs. Jones



### **Balance Bike Fun!**

Recently, children in Reception began using balance bikes to develop their balancing skills. This exciting new activity is designed to help children become confident and successful bike riders. It's been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and progress as they navigate and master the art of balance. Keep up the great work, everyone!



# Learning Friendly Greetings in PSHRE

In PSHRE, children in Year 1 have been learning about the various physical ways we can greet someone. The

children have engaged in thoughtful discussions about who they might greet with a hug or a handshake, and when it is appropriate to use a high five or a wave. This has been a valuable lesson in understanding social interactions and respecting personal boundaries.











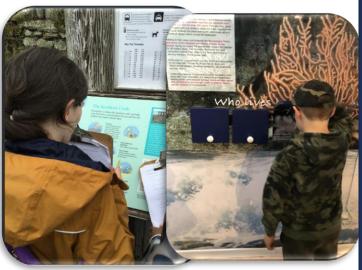
# A Day of Adventure and Discovery!

Children in Reception recently had a fantastic trip visiting the Tamar Bridge. The sun was shining, everyone enjoyed the bus ride, cars and trains passing by honked and waved at the children. The children's adventure included a delightful bridge walk, discovering various minibeasts, and an exciting visit to the visitor centre where the children were tasked with finding information. It was a day full of fun and learning for everyone!



## Year 4's Ocean Defender Adventure at Wembury

On Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May, Year 4 took an enlightening trip to Wembury. The primary focus of the visit was to collaborate with the Wembury Marine Centre to enhance the children's Geography learning about plastic pollution. The children all proudly became Ocean Defenders for the day, helping to clean up Wembury Beach of any man-made litter. Curiously, the children found an inordinate number of socks! Besides their environmental efforts, the children enjoyed a picnic on the beach and participated in a quiz about Wembury. Despite some rainy showers, everyone had a fantastic time and learned a lot about our local area.













## Mastering Cricket: Year 4's PE Journey

This term, in Year 4 PE, the children have been practicing their cricket skills. Throughout the weeks, the children have learned all about the sport, focusing on the necessary skills to play effectively. From fielding and teamwork to bowling and batting, they have covered all aspects of the game. In the last week of the term, the children had the exciting opportunity to play some matches, putting all their hard work and new skills to the test.



# Cooking Up History: Year 6 Makes Wartime Potato Floddies

This week, Year 6 explored cooking a wartime recipe. On Wednesday, potato floddies were on the menu. Using their peeling, grating, and mixing skills, the children each created their own floddies. The recipe received mixed reviews in terms of flavour, but everyone enjoyed the experience and the opportunity to connect with history through cooking.



### Free School Meal

We are pleased to remind you that all pupils at our Infant School are eligible to receive a free hot lunch every school day, courtesy of the Universal Free School Meal (UFSM) program. In addition, families meeting specific criteria can qualify for Free School Meals (FSM), which also provides our school with additional support from the Local Authority.

For families eligible under the FSM program, the Local Authority is currently providing vouchers to cover the cost of lunches throughout the school holidays, including the upcoming 6-week summer break. To access this support, please apply directly via the following link: <a href="Free School Meals Application">Free School Meals Application</a>

#### Eligibility Criteria:

The child must be in full-time education at a local authority funded institution and must be present for full days.

• The child must reside with a parent or guardian receiving one of the qualifying benefits. Please note, applications for free school meals are not processed by the school. Use the link provided above to submit your application directly.

Currently free school meal pupils receive weekly vouchers to cover the cost of lunches during the holiday period at approx. £10.00 per week, this is at the Local Authority's discretion.

For further details or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our school office. We are here to help ensure that you can take full advantage of this valuable program.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for being part of our school community.

## **Uniform Expectations**

We would like to gently remind parents of our school uniform policy as outlined in our Parents Information Booklet. Ensuring that all children wear the correct uniform is important for maintaining a sense of equality and pride within our school community. Please refer to the Parents' Information Booklet for detailed guidance on our school's uniform requirements. It's essential that children come to school dressed according to these guidelines every day.

Thank you for your cooperation in maintaining our school's standards of dress. If you have any questions or need further clarification on the uniform policy, please feel free to contact the school office.









## **Current Surveys**

Gentle reminder to complete our two current surveys on service families and young carers. Together, we will make a difference to our children.

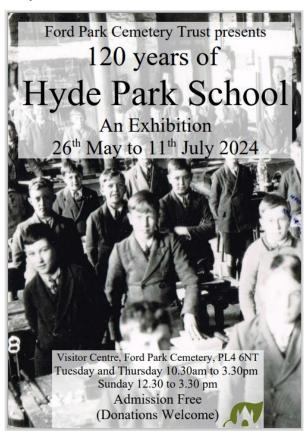
# Update on our Behaviour Policy

We have recently updated our school policy to better meet the needs of our community and ensure a supportive and safe learning environment for all our pupils. A detailed letter outlining the changes has been sent to all parents. Please review this important information to stay informed about the latest updates. If you have any questions or require further clarification, do not hesitate to contact the school

### 120 Years Celebration

We are thrilled to announce the upcoming exhibition celebrating 120 years of Hyde Park School. Hosted by the Ford Park Cemetery Trust at the Visitor Centre, this special event will run from May 26th to July 11th, 2024. Admission is free, and donations are welcomed. The exhibition will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 AM to 3:30 PM, and Sundays from 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM. Please mark your calendars and join us in exploring the rich history of our school.

There will be an opening ceremony, on Sunday, May 26th at 1:30pm.





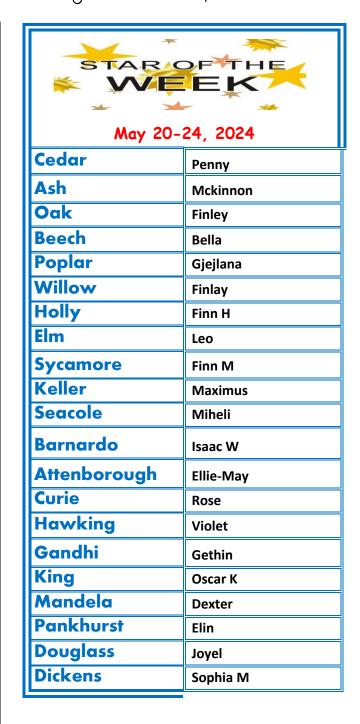








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Learner		
Cedar	Abdulsalam	
Ash	Clem	
Oak	Margot	
Beech	Raff	
Poplar	Eleri	
Willow	Мауа	
Holly	Athatlia	
Elm	Веа	
Sycamore	Joanna	
Keller	Joseph	
Seacole	Sebby	
Barnardo	Bill	
Attenborough	Harper	
Curie	Esme	
Hawking	Ava	
Gandhi	Toby	
King	Jack	
Mandela	James	
Pankhurst	Poppy-Paula and Evie B	
Douglass	Sydney	
Dickens	Josie	











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Learner	
Cedar	Zachary
Ash	lvy
Oak	Sophia
Beech	Harlin
Poplar	Joshua
Willow	Thomas
Holly	William
Elm	Harriet
Sycamore	Finn H
Keller	Oscar
Seacole	Rhoda
Barnardo	Aliya-Grace
Attenborough	Ruby. F
Curie	Tharush
Hawking	Harrison
Gandhi	Ellie-Rose
King	Laurel P
Mandela	Adam
Pankhurst	Omar
Douglass	Zayd
Dickens	Kayleigh

