

D.I.S.C.O: a huge thank you to the ESA and everyone who helped at the disco. It was exceptionally well attended and we made just over £1400. We will be using this money to fund a school wide event, more information to follow on this. Fund raising events like the DISCO cannot happen without the volunteers to plan and organize it and we are hugely appreciative of the time people donate to make this happen for both the enjoyment of the children and the funds raised for the school. These funds allow further enrichment to take place that would not be able to happen without the additional funding from the ESA.

Maternity leave: Mrs Hyde's last day in school will be tomorrow as she starts her maternity leave. We wish her all the best. Mrs Martin will be returning from her maternity leave next week and will return to the Year 2 team.

Non Uniform day this Friday: Children can come to school in non-uniform this Friday in exchange for a raffle prize donation. We are looking for the usual donations of chocolates, wine, bubble bath etc. to make into hampers. As well as these lovely hampers we would also be very grateful for things we could use as standalone prizes such as vouchers or larger items, do you work for a company that would be happy to provide a voucher or item for our raffle? The money raised from the raffle ticket sales will go towards visits, books, art materials and chrome books.

Tuesday 28 Nov 2023

This week:

Wed 29 Nov – Yr1 Aesthetics festival

Thurs 30 Nov – Flu vaccine in school –see separate email

Fri 1 Dec – non uniform in exchange for a raffle hamper donation

Dates for the future:

Tues 5 Dec - Reception Nativity and raffle

Wed 6 Dec - Year 1 Christmas sing-song and crafting with raffle 9.30-10.45am

Wed 6 and Thurs 7 Dec – School Christmas Lunches

Tues 12 Dec - Yr2 Christmas 2.15pm Performance and raffle

Wed 13 Dec 6.15pm - Carols in the Yard and raffle

Fri 15 Dec – Teacher for a day

Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children-wear non uniform for a donation

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day:

We will be taking part in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day on the last day of term; Friday 15 Dec. Children can come to school in non-uniform in exchange for a donation to the charity via School Gateway. This is not the date that the charity is promoting but doing it on the last day of term works better for us in school.



Save the Children

Christmas Dates 2023:



We still need some volunteers to help sell tickets at the Carols in the Yard evening on Wed 13 Dec. Please complete the Google Form if you're able to help. We are so grateful to our families for being so generous with their time and donations.
<https://forms.gle/khBoeF1cAx978cGm6>

Tues 5 Dec Reception Nativity and raffle – **Tickets are on sale on School Gateway now at £2 each**, 4 tickets are available per child. Doors will open at 2.30pm for a 2.45pm start. Reception will be using the ticket sales to buy construction toys for inside and outside use. We will also be looking to purchase pirate toys, knights and dragons and Polar animals to use for our small world. These items will hugely support our Early Years Curriculum.

Wed 6 Dec Year 1 Christmas sing-song and crafting with raffle 9.30-10.45am- We would love to invite you to our festive fun session! The session will be in place of a show as we feel like the children can have more involvement with you and enjoy singing and crafting! No tickets to buy but we would like parents to let us know if they're coming by completing the below Google form <https://forms.gle/gh1E4sQ8gsL9qxJfA> If you would like to make a Christmas donation to Yr1 to go towards additional resources a School Gateway Payments item will be set up.

Wed 6 and Thurs 7 Dec – School Christmas Lunches. Rec and Key Stage 1 lunches will be on the Wednesday and KS2 on the Thursday. We have menu choices for all children now.

Tues 12 Dec Yr2 Christmas Performance and raffle - **Tickets are now on sale via School Gateway at £2 each**, 3 tickets are available per child. Doors open 2:15pm for a 2.30 performance. All money raised will go directly to the Yr2 classes to buy wet play activities including dolls, small super hero characters and puzzles.

Carols in the Yard and raffle –Wed 13 Dec 6.15pm – come and join us on the school playground to enjoy some carols. Years 3-6 will be learning some carols to perform for you. Please arrive for a 6.15pm start – everyone is welcome, bring your singing voices with you. Parents/carers will be responsible for their own children at this event. If you are able to help sell raffle tickets please complete the Google Form <https://forms.gle/khBoeF1cAx978cGm6>.



CHRISTMAS DAYTIME WREATH WORKSHOP!



Thursday 30th November
10-12 or 12:45 – 2:45
Exminster Victory Hall

There'll be lots of laughs and a great festive atmosphere. Little ones are very welcome and there will be a small play area set up for them. A perfect day time event for you, especially if getting out in the evenings is tricky.

This is one of my fav events - let's kick off the festive season getting creative by making a wreath that we are super proud to hang in our front door. I have kept mine up til March in the past I was so proud!!

I provide a variety of seasonal foliage and natural materials and guide you through how to make a gorgeous full wreath. I love that everyone's looks so different, and they are all always amazing! While we create, we'll nibble on mince pies, mulled apple juice, and hum festive tunes!! Booking Link: <https://www.littledevon.co.uk/our-events/>

Headteacher: Mrs S Whalley



The EPICentre of Learning

HAF XMAS

Countess Wear Primary School
Monday 18th - Thursday 21st December

Morning session: 9am - 1pm

Booking link: <https://bookwhen.com/sportystars-haf/e/ev-swim-20231218090000>

Afternoon session: 12:30pm - 4:30pm

Booking link: <https://bookwhen.com/sportystars-haf/e/ev-ssgc-20231218123000>

Please note you are only able to book a morning or afternoon session, you are not able to book both. YOU MUST HAVE / ENTER A HAF CODE ON BOOKING.

This fun, action-packed holiday camp, will involve a range of sports and activities.

Food: As part of the HAF programme your child will receive a free hot lunch.

If your child has additional needs, requires 1 to 1 assistance in school, or is on a behaviour plan. Please send us an email at info@sportystars.co.uk before booking. We will need to ensure we can provide your child with the care and assistance required, to ensure they have the best time possible at our HAF programme.

We will also be operating a two-strike policy, if you fail to attend for two days without prior communication, we will no longer be able to offer you a place at our HAF programme. A late collection fee of £5 will be payable for every 10 minutes after the collection time.

It is possible to pay an extra £12.50 per day to make this a full day at our holiday camp. If you are booked on for the morning sessions, you will need to select the afternoon add-on (1pm - 4:30pm). If you are booked in for the afternoon sessions, you will need to select the morning add-on (9am - 12:30pm).

You will need to repeat the booking process and follow this link, please note add ons / half days are only available to those already booked onto the HAF programme.

Link: <https://bookwhen.com/sportystars-haf-full-day#focus=ev-szyu-20230403090000>

Many thanks,

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