



Knights Templar Church School

# Newsletter No. 13

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### APRIL

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> ~ PTFA meeting at 3.45 in Silver Birch

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> ~ Parent meeting for next term's Reception children to share ideas on preparing for school (9am to 10am in the IT suite)

~ Silver Birch fundraiser (by Parrot Club after school)

~ Parent info meeting for National Child Measurement Programme from 3.00 to 4.30pm in the Family Room (next to the pool)

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> ~ Country dancing club (from 3.30 to 4.15pm)

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> ~ Sycamore and Willow trip to West Somerset College Farm

~ Catchball club starts (from 3.30 to 4.15pm)

~ Cricket club starts (from 3.30 to 4.15pm)

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> ~ Ash class trip to West Somerset College Farm

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> ~ Sycamore fundraiser – ice cream sale after school

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> ~ Maple and Silver Birch trip to Exmoor Zoo

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> ~ Willow class visit to allotment

~ School disco from 5.30 to 7pm

### MAY

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> ~ Willow class walk to Helwell Beach

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> ~ Ash class visit to Rodway Farm

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> ~ Vision testing for Year R

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> ~ Meeting for Y4 parents whose children are going to Danesfield in September (IT suite from 9 to 10am)

~ Year R height and weight checks

~ Meeting for Y4 parents whose children are going to Danesfield (for those unable to attend meeting at Knights Templar) 5.30pm at Danesfield

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> ~ Y4 Outdoor learning at Danesfield

~ School disco from 5.30 to 7pm

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ Silver Birch and Maple visit to West Somerset College Farm

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June HALF TERM

### JUNE

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> ~ Y4 to Danesfield (assessments and athletics festival)

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> ~ Class photos

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> ~ Catchball gala

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> ~ BIBIC collection of unwanted clothing, bedding, etc (fundraising)

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> ~ Afternoon activities for Y4s going to Minehead Middle

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> ~ Quadkids athletics for team of Y3 and Y4 at Minehead Middle

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ Y4s cooking at Danesfield

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> ~ New Reception parents meeting (2016 intake) at 2pm

~ New parents meeting for Y4s going to Minehead Middle (at 6pm)

### JULY

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> ~ Country dancing festival at Cleeve Abbey

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> ~ Transition day for all children to move up to new class

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> ~ Area Sports (1.30pm at Minehead First School)

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> ~ School sports day, Cricket festival (Dunster), School disco from 5.30 to 7pm

## Three Stars and a Wish



Huge congratulations to our 'Sword Sharks' Swimathon team who won the First Schools' category by completing 87 lengths. Representing the school were Abigail Pentland, Jake Hodgkiss, Jacob Ruddy, Jacob Hughes, Ryan Wilkinson and Alastair Prescott. A big thank you to Mrs Rawle, our swimming coach, for organising and preparing the teams from our school.



A big thank you to all the Parrot Club staff who led the activities over the holidays. It was much enjoyed. A couple of children from another school vowed to come back next holiday as 'it was much friendlier than the one they'd been to before'.



Thank you to all the children who have come back to a new term with a very happy and positive attitude to school and learning.

School security: we take school security very seriously and one way that is helping us is the new CCTV system we have around the outside of the school as well as in the entrance area. If you are picking up from Parrot Club after school, please ring on the bell so that one of the club supervisors can come and open the gate. We cannot rely on the bolt as, unfortunately, some parents were opening the bolt thereby potentially putting children's safety at risk.



## Mathletics Trophy



Congratulations to Oak Class for being the first winners of the Mathletics Trophy for a staggering 15,000 points scored over the holidays. A very special mention to Jacob Ruddy who was our Math Magician winner for having the highest points in the school.

## Kindness Cup for all at Knights Templar

We were very touched to receive a very special nomination for the Kindness Cup from a parent of a child who left us last term. As this is a reflection on everyone in the school, parents and staff, we would like to share it with you all.....

I would like to nominate everyone at Knights Templar for the Kindness Cup. I cannot explain how much this place means to my child and me. Everyone is always kind, polite and helpful. The environment has nurtured my child and helped them grow ever so much. We will both miss this place as we have so many happy memories of it and the people within. Thank you.

## Poetry

The entries for the Easter poem competition were beautifully presented as well as having lovely images. Here is Abigail Pentland's entry:

Easter Time!

In the spring, the sun will shine

Easter eggs under bushes and behind

Bunnies hopping all day long

Tweeting birds singing songs

Flapping, fluffy golden chicks

Filling us with happiness

Daffodils, tulips and crocus grow

Swaying as a gentle breeze blows

Lots of lambs as you can see

Easter fun for you and me

It is super that so many children are excited by writing and often bring me a story or description that they have written at home. Here is a poem presented to me by Millie Johnson at the beginning of this week:

I love to see

The golden leaves

Leap and dance

Upon the breeze

In amongst the autumn trees

It fills my heart with joyful ease

### Community notices

#### CLUBBERCISE

A new dance/exercise group for adults, 'Clubbercise' is now being held at Knights Templar School on Thursday evenings. For more information please e-mail [scattycat@yahoo.com](mailto:scattycat@yahoo.com) or ring 07855 038157

#### 1610 Active April

Come and join in for FREE fun packed activities for the whole family every Saturday in April 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10.30am to 1.30pm at Watchet Memorial Ground. Sports activities including cricket, tennis, bean bag races, den building and more! Rain or shine, the activities will be out. Please bring appropriate clothing for sunshine or downpour!

#### Community Picnic

On Saturday 23 April from 12 noon to 4pm, Watchet LIVE are holding a St George's Day Community Picnic on the Esplanade in Watchet. Bring your picnic, chairs and the family. Come and enjoy the entertainment!

### Clubs this term

Tuesday Maypole dancing at lunchtimes

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Junior Museum Club once a month at lunchtimes  
Country dancing after school from 3.30 to 4.15pm for Y2, 3 and 4

Thursday Running Club at lunchtimes for Y2, Y3 and Y4  
Catchball for Y3 and 4 from 3.30 to 4.15pm  
Cricket for Y3 and Y4 (first 12 applicants from 3.30 to 4.15pm)

Friday Choir for Y2, Y3 and Y4 in the IT suite at 12.15pm

Please complete the form below if you would like your child to take part. All after-school clubs finish at 4.15pm and children should be collected from the foyer. Any child who is not collected on time will be taken to Parrot Club and a charge may be made.

Please return a slip with the following information:

I would like my child \_\_\_\_\_ to take part in the following clubs (circle as

appropriate) Country dancing Catchball Cricket

I will pick my child up at 4.15pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **PUPILS OF THE WEEK**

**Sycamore ~ Ryan Binding**

**Willow ~ Niall Smyth**

**Ash ~ Imogen Wood**

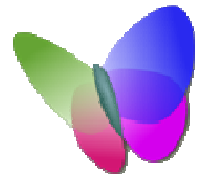
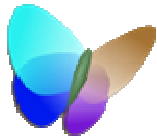
**Silver Birch ~ Logan Holland**

**Cherry ~ Ami Smith**

**Oak ~ Courtney Hill**

**Kindness Cup ~ All Staff and Pupils**

**Knights Token Award ~ Cherry**



## **Butterfly Book Awards**

The first Butterfly Book Awards in memory of Mrs Emma Harris and in recognition of amazing enthusiasm for reading:

**Sycamore ~ Maggie-May Hudson**

**Willow ~ David Dalda**

**Ash ~ Roxanne Harding**

**Silver Birch ~ Frank Jacoby-Kelly**

**Maple ~ Charlie Penny**

**Cherry ~ Ami Smith**



**Oak ~ Peggy Bishop**