

# South Molton Community Primary School

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Dear Parents,

17/5/24

It has been a busy week in school with KS2 SATs tests and lots of other exciting events taking place. A big well done to the Year 6 children who completed their tests yesterday. There were some difficult papers so our school values of resilience and aspiration were certainly needed. They finished the tests on Thursday with some fun activities and a cake!

## Non-Uniform Day & Bake Sale - Friday 24th May 2024

As part of the ongoing fundraising efforts for the North Devon Hospice this year we are holding our third non-uniform day and bake sale on Friday 24th May. All children are welcome to come to school in non-uniform for a suggested donation of £1 that will go towards raising vital funds for the hospice.



I would also like to ask parents and children to please help with providing some cakes or biscuits for our cake sale at the end of the school day on Friday 24th May if you can. The donations last half term were fantastic and we raised a really good amount of money so please do support the hospice again. Ideally this would be in portions or single cakes/biscuits which would make it easier to serve. Please support this event by bringing in some goodies, coming along to buy some at 3.15 or ideally both! A lovely way to end the half term whilst helping to raise money for this very worthy local cause.

## Consultation on Under 4 Provision (Nursery/Pre School) at SMCPS

We would like to consult parents on whether there is a need for Under 4 provision (Nursery/ Pre School) at our school so please can you fill in the attached Google Form before Wednesday 5th June 2024.

<https://forms.gle/6tWRbdefA2vWtr348>

## EYFS Outdoor Area Development

The EYFS area is now complete and we are looking forward to unveiling this new area to the children next week. With some good weather forecast for the first few days of the week we are excited to get the children out there using this fantastic new addition to the school site. Look out for pictures and videos on the newsletter next week and on social media as the week progresses.



### Reception RHS Rosemoor Trip

Yesterday the Reception children visited RHS Rosemoor in Torrington.

We were all very excited by the bus ride and arrived in the sunshine!

We met Jane who led us down to the Education Centre where we had a quick snack before enjoying a story that focussed on the seasons of the year and how the garden at RHS Rosemoor changed over the year.

After the story we went on a scavenger hunt to find different flowers and plants around the gardens. We then collected the fallen leaves and petals which we took back to the classroom and stuck on a template to create our own seasonal tree. Jane then taught us how to plant a nasturtium seed and carefully following her instructions we planted our own seeds to bring back to school.

The children were then very excited to enjoy lunch in the hut. Unfortunately, we started to notice some rather large clouds gathering overhead and it wasn't long into our afternoon walk when it started to rain very heavily! We decided to head back home, happy that we had enjoyed a fantastic morning!



### Devon County Show Choir Trip

30 members of our school choir attended the Devon County Show today where they sang at their biggest event so far! The children were absolutely fantastic and it was a pleasure to take them to this event.

It was a fantastic opportunity to watch other schools perform as well.

We also visited Farm Wise, where the children enjoyed petting animals, planting seeds, making leather keyrings and churning milk to make butter.



### Champions!

Congratulations to our U11 mixed football team for winning our school league for the second year in a row. Well done to all the children who have performed fantastically throughout the season representing our school. This week the children played their last game of the season against Bishops Nympton with goals from Harley, Harry, Alex and Charlie. The score finishing 7-2. Both teams played brilliantly, as the children play together in teams out of school there were lots of smiles and laughter, showing great sportsmanship.



With the weather warming up now please remember to send children to school with suncream on, hats, and a water bottle



I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mr Parkin

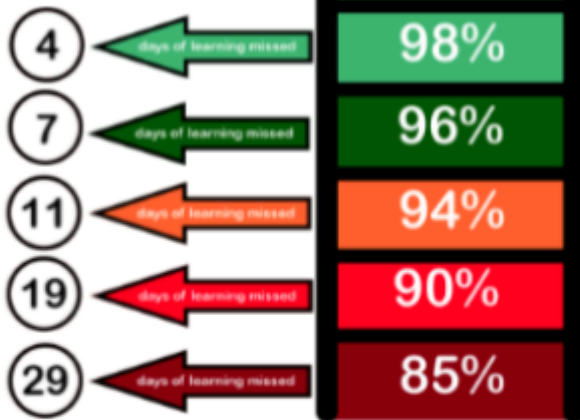
### Upcoming Events

- After School Clubs Monday 22nd April - 24th May 2024
- New EYFS Parent Meeting Wednesday 22nd May 5-6pm in the Hall
- Non Uniform Day and Bake Sale Friday 24th May
- Ks1 Sports Day is Friday 21st June PM
- Ks2 Sports Day is Friday 28th June AM and PM
- Year 6 Show Thursday 11th July



### Attendance

In a school year, this equates to:



Children's attendance matters - It is every child's right to receive an education.

Our aim is for childrens attendance to be 96% of more to help them reach their full potential.

This weeks attendance: **93.06%**

Children arriving after registration at 8:45am will be classed in our registers as 'Late'. All late children must report to the office to register.

School finishes at 3:15pm however if something unexpected happens and you're running late, please let us know to make arrangements for your child. We offer a breakfast and after school club everyday allowing you to book your children in if you are not able to collect them at 3:15pm.



### Social Media

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