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Dear Parents,

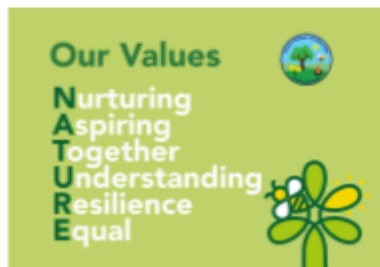
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Our KS2 sports day was a great success today along with our KS1 version last week. A huge thank you to all the staff, particularly Mrs Holland, for organising the events and a huge well done to all the children who took part, showing off their PE skills. We will work on a write up for both sports days over the next week so look out for this next Friday.



School Values - Equal

In our Monday assembly we discussed our school value of 'Equal' and looked at some famous campaigners from the past that have fought for equal rights. The first figure we discussed was Martin Luther King who fought for an end to segregation and for equal treatment for all. In one of his famous speeches he said, "I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the colour of their skin but by their character". We also discussed a Native American Ponka Chief, Standing Bear, who in 1879 challenged the American justice system to treat Native Americans as equal, he said in court "That hand is not the colour of yours, but if I prick it, the blood will flow, and I shall feel pain. The blood is of the same colour as yours. God made me, and I am a Man." We agreed that our school was a place where all are valued equally but that even in today's advanced world there are often people still treated differently because of their characteristics which is something we should all be aware of and challenge.



Year 2 Beach Trip

The Year 2 children had a fantastic time at the beach on Tuesday! They made their own beach artwork and searched for crabs and limpets in the rock pools whilst having a great day. They will now be able to tick these off their 100 things to do before leaving SMCPS.



Gold Awards

A huge well done to all the children that have been awarded a Gold certificate this year, they have earned 150 green points and will be invited to our special Gold assembly on 8th July at 9am along with their parents.



Online Safety

Several children have been discussing a game they may play at home called 'Poppy Playtime' which has some serious warnings and concerns so we thought it would be useful to share some safety advice around this game. Please see the separate attachment on the newsletter email. If you have any questions then please get in touch with the school office.

Head Lice

Please check your children for head lice.

Treat head lice as soon as you spot them. You can treat head lice without seeing a GP.

Check everyone you live with, or have close contact with, and start treating anyone who has head lice on the same day.

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice. You do not need to wash your laundry on a hot wash. - NHS <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Lost Uniform

Lost any uniform lately? Well now you can prevent that from happening, *and raise money for the school* at the same time! Please follow the link below to order name stickers for your child, using the following school ID
Your school ID is 19562 We can't wait to reunite you with your items! *No sewing necessary.*

www.MyNametags.com

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

Following the recent consultation, we have now submitted our proposal for under 4 provision at our school to Devon County Council for their consideration. We emphasised the overwhelming feedback that more provision was desperately needed in South Molton and urgently to allow all parents to access local provision for their children. We very much hope they will come back to us soon and I will of course keep you all updated with any progress.

Char in Year 5 enjoying her surfing lessons after school. Well Done Char!



I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mr Parkin

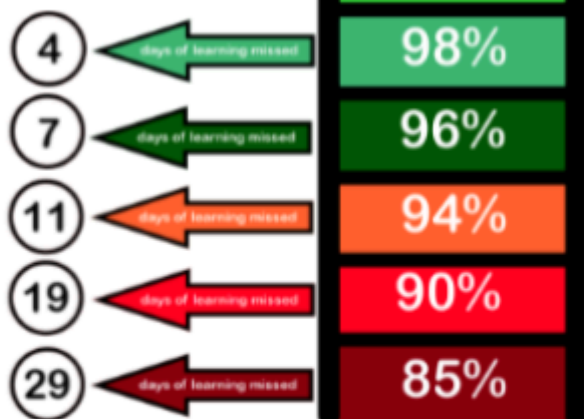
Upcoming Events

After School Clubs 10th June - 8th July
Summer Fete Friday 5th July
Year 6 Show Thursday 11th July
Friday 19th July Race For Life Event
Please see our website for more details



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 children's attendance to be 96% or more to help them reach their full potential.

This week's attendance: 93.50%

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.



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