

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have had a super week learning about Internet Safety and Mental Health. There were lots of activities across the school for Mental Health day including: 10 a day to keeping mentally healthy, what mental health is, how to make others feel good, what we can do if we feel low, where we can go for help etc. Some of the children also made cards or wrote feel good messages for their friends and staff. We also had the lovely Wake Up, Shake up, whole school activity session. Many thanks to Mrs Monks for organising the day and Paula from HeadsUp for all her support.

**Save the Children.**

Many thanks to everyone who sent in £1 for Christmas jumper day. It raised £79 for Save the Children.

**World Book Day and PE Impact day**

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March we have one of our PE Impact days run by Becky Mason from South Dartmoor College. Please send children in wearing their PE kits.

This means that we will celebrate World Book Day on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March instead of the official day which is Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>. On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March for a £1 donation children are invited to come to school dressed as a character from a book. All monies raised will go towards books and improving our reading areas.

**Junior Bake Off**

The casting researchers have contacted all schools to say that they have opened applications for the 8th series of Junior Bake Off; a Channel 4 programme that celebrates the culinary talent and ambition of the younger generation in Britain. They are looking for young budding bakers between 9-12 years old.

Filming would take place from July 2022, but applications close on Sunday 13th March 2022.

Interested bakers can apply online at - [www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk](http://www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk)

**Recruitment**

Thank you so much to Mrs Garraway and Mrs Reiss-Golumbeck, two of our governors who have been helping out whilst we are so short-staffed. Also to our Chair of Governors Mrs Cook who has been amazing at helping out each morning since last term.

We are still looking for someone to work in our After School Club and a Meal Time Assistant. We are also looking for someone who can work as cover in our Breakfast Club. If you know of anyone who might be interested please ask them to contact myself or the office.

Many thanks for your continued support

Best wishes

Mrs Taylor-Bashford

**Diary dates:**

Week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> February – SEND parent meetings letters have been sent out

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Visit by Exmoor Zoo for Reception and KS1

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February – Times Tables Rockstars mufti day

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February – last day of half term

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March – children return to school for second half of the term

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – PE day. All children to wear PE kit

**Headteacher's Award:** FSU – Penelope, Samuel, Imogen, Martha, Maple Class – Adam, Ellis

**Gold Awards:** Rowan Class – Eleanor, Lincoln

**Silver Awards:** Oak Class – Samuel, Penelope, Ava, Lily, Bella, Zara, Rudy, Rowan Class – Theo, Sycamore Class – Jessi, Freddie, Cherry Class – Jonah, Louie, Leo

**Bronze Awards:** Sycamore Class – Evan, Cherry Class – Barney, Quinlan, Maple Class – Teddy, Daisy

**Stars of the week:** Oak Class – Finley, Rowan Class – Theo, Sycamore Class – Isabelle, Cherry Class – Hollie, Maple Class – Lydia, Beech Class – Mylo