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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to welcome everybody back after the Easter break to, what promises to be, a busy and fun term. Our annual Nethercott Farm trip leaves today, for a week, and our Running Team are taking part in the Schools' Challenge on Sunday. I'm sure you will all join me in wishing them the best of luck!



Schools Challenge

Training has continued for the Schools' Challenge, with Mr Rusty and Miss Irvine leading the children in their run on Sunday 17th. BBC Radio Devon's Matt Woodley came to see the preparations—and even joined in on a training run! If you would like to cheer our team on, the Schools Challenge be held from **9am** this **Sunday (17th)** on **Plymouth Hoe**.



Family Worker

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would very much like to take the time to introduce myself. My name is Vicky Bishop. I am pleased to inform you that I am the new Family Worker here at Weston Mill Community Primary School.

So, a little about me. I originally trained and pursued employment as a 'Nursery Nurse'. Following this I worked at a Children's Centre in Plymouth as a 'Family and Community Worker' with children and families for up to 8 years. During this time

I supported many families to access learning, explore safety in and out of the home, parenting strategies, healthier living and much more.

Due to my passion for child development, and studies surrounding education, learning and parenting I decided to attend Plymouth University to study 'Childhood Studies and Development'. All of which I thoroughly enjoyed. I have a strong passion for working with parents and their children to enhance their experiences within education both inside and outside of school, and the many benefits this has on academic achievement and well-being.

I look forward to supporting you as parents and carers to engage with your child's learning and well-being, helping you to seek advice and support and share a journey of learning alongside your child.

I will be available in the school **every day** from **8:45 until the end of the day**.

Pease do come along and meet me at our upcoming Coffee Morning on **Wednesday 27th April 9-11**.

I very much look forward to meeting with you.



Used Postage Stamps

We are collecting used postage stamps help the Lily Foundation, a charity supporting children with life-limiting diseases,

Please leave a 5-10mm border around your stamps and post them in the box in the office. Thank you.



Sainsbury's Active Kid Vouchers

We are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers to help us get sports and cooking equipment. Please pass them into the box in the school office.

Bake for Heroes

There will be a cake sale on behalf of both HMS Heroes and Clic Sargent on Friday 22nd April. The cake stall will be in the playground before and after school on that day.



Important Dates

15/04/16 - Nethercott Farm Residential

15/04/16 – Disco

22/04/16 - Nethercott Farm Trip returns

22/04/16 - Charity Cake Sale ***NEW***

02/05/16 – Bank Holiday

30/05/16 – Bank Holiday

31/05/16 – 03/06/16 – Half term, Term 4

06/06/16 – First Day Back

08/07/16 – School Closed

20/07/16 – Year 6 Leavers Prom

22/07/16 – Last Day of Summer Term

A **colour** version of this newsletter is available on our website.

Medicines in School

We would like to remind you that ALL medicines and inhalers brought into school need to have a doctor's label attached. Due to Health and Safety regulations we are unable to administer medicines such as Calpol, or anything that does not have a doctors' label, with it. When bringing your medicine or inhaler in, please remember to fill in the necessary form at the office. Thank you for your help and cooperation.

Forces Funding

We are incredibly lucky to have a new Traverse Wall and a castle in the Foundation Playground. Both these projects were financed with money from the Forces Children and Families Fund. We would like to thank all the families involved for their support with these latest additions to our school.



Thank You

Mrs Potter would like to say a big 'thank you' for all the kind donations of cakes for her 'Bake for Andy' sale last term and also to everyone who bought cakes. We raised a total of £230!



During the Easter holidays, the school changed all lighting to energy efficient LED lights.