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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Sports for School Event - Olympic Athlete Visit

Olympic Athlete Antony James (a swimmer) came into school on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January to participate in a fitness circuit with the children. The children were amazing and worked very hard and have been busy collecting their sponsorship money. Well done everyone.



### Safety week

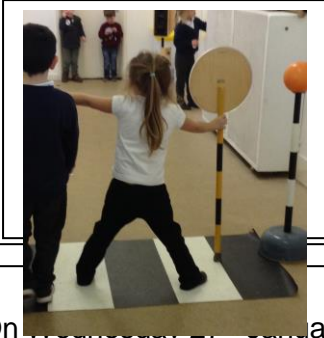
To begin our safety week this week, Colin from the Dartmoor Mountain Rescue Team explained and demonstrated some of the equipment used when they have to conduct a rescue. Year 4 found out about some of the work the team had carried out recently in York during the floods.

Year 6 were checking driver's speed on Ferndale road with the Plymouth Road Safety department and Foundation have been using miniature pedestrian crossings practise crossing the road safely.



### Safety Week cont...!

Pupils have also found out about e-safety, bullying, road safety and Sgt Paul Curtis from the British Transport Police came in to talk about safety on the railways. Ask your child what they have found out this week.



### Olympic Athlete Sponsorship money

The closing date for sponsorship money is Monday 8<sup>th</sup>, please put it in an envelope with your child's name and class on it.

Thank you

### Year 5 Money Grabbers Challenge

On Wednesday 27 January Year 5 attended the Stock Market Challenge at All Saints Academy. Five children attended and came 5/14 teams. The children started off with £14,000 and ending up making £39,400. Their team was called 'The Money Grabbers' and they worked well together and enjoyed the events throughout the day.

### Chinese New Year Mufti - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February

All children can come into school wearing mufti but need to wear an item of red clothing to help us celebrate the Chinese New Year, red is the traditional New Year colour – meaning joy and good fortune. It is the year of the Monkey.

A taster stand will be in the dining hall at lunchtime for the children to sample various Chinese food if they wish. No contribution is necessary.

### Lunch - Pancake Day Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February

**Children can have pancakes for their dessert.  
There will be pancake races in the playground**

### School Library

We would like to thank the parent who kindly donated brand new Mog at Christmas books for the School Library. The children would like to say a big thank you for your generosity.

### Important Dates

08/02/16 – Chinese New Year Red Mufti  
11/02/16 – School Disco  
**12/02/16 – School Closed**  
15/02/16 – 19/02/16 – Half term, Term 3  
03/03/16 – World Book Day dress up  
**18/03/16 – School Closed**  
21/03/16 – Art and Music Week performance on 24<sup>th</sup> pm.  
25/03/16 – Bank Holiday  
28/03/16 – Bank Holiday  
29/03/16 – 08/04/16 – Half term, Term 4  
11/04/16 – First Day Back  
15/04/16 – Disco  
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

### KS2 curriculum

#### Science and Maths book

We have 1 maths book and 3 science books left. These are £2 each. They are study guides to help parents understand the new curriculum and will be very useful for your child.

### 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.

### Used Postage Stamps

Please can reception have any used postage stamps. We are collecting for Lily Charity supporting children with Mitochondrial Disease. Please leave a 5-10mm border around your stamps.

Thank you

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