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Dear Parents and Carers

The start of this term has been as you can imagine a slightly unusual one in terms of teaching and learning. The first few weeks have been spent helping the children to settle back into school, get used to being with one another in 'bubbles', sharing their lockdown experiences with us and learning for example how to adapt to all facing the front, having dinner whilst sitting at your desk and of course using the sanitizers. The children have however adapted really well and the staff are working incredibly hard finding out what the children have remembered, what they have forgotten and sometimes what is just a little rusty.

I was delighted however to be called outside yesterday to view the Class 3 Stone Age settlements and to learn all about how the people lived, what they ate and to see how enthusiastic the children were about their learning. It was also wonderful to see just how many of them encouraged their parents and grandparents to go and have a look at the end of the day.

DIARY DATES

Half Term - 26th-30th October

Flu Vaccinations - 26th November

End of Autumn Term - 18th
December

Spring Term starts - 5th
January

February Half Term - 15th

February-19th February

Easter Holidays - 2nd April-18th April

Summer Term starts 19th
April

Half Term - 31st May - 4th June

End of Summer Term - 23rd
July



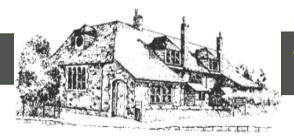












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Due to current Covid- 19 restrictions we will not be able to offer our normal Parent's Evening consultations in November. We will however be sending home a mid-term report after half term detailing how your child has settled back into school, their age related attainment and some learning targets. We will also inform parents if their child is receiving extra support above normal classroom provision and if required provide you with an opportunity to discuss any concerns you may have with your child's teacher.

Denise Woodgate

Head teacher

'Together we aspire, together we achieve'



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OUT OF HOURS

If you or a member of your household has possible COVID -19 symptoms or test positive for Covid-19, please <u>contact the school</u> on **01884 253576** during school hours or text a message to **07513 299444** after hours and at the weekend. A member of staff will then contact you for further information as the school has a Public Health England procedure to follow.

OUTSTANDING BALANCES

Please can we ask that you clear any outstanding balances on your School Money account.

Please make all payments online as we are no longer accepting cash. If you need any help with your account please do not hesitate to contact us in the office on admin@tiverton-bolham-primary.devon.sch.uk

PARKING

Following a complaint from a parent, please can we ask that you do not park in the bus bay or block the gates in the school car park as you have the potential to cause an accident.

FLU VACCINE

Letters have been sent to all parent/carers of children eligible for the flu nasal vaccination. We have been asked to let you know these letters do not need to be brought on the day of the vaccinations and as long as you have completed the consent link provided by Virgin Care Services your child will be vaccinated at the planned school session which will be on the 26^{th} November.

Any changes to this process will be clearly communicated by the School aged Immunisation Team if/when changes are made.

WET WEATHER

Children in Class 1 had a fun time splashing in puddles this morning! Can we ask that spare socks, tights etc are provided in children's bags so we can change them should they get wet. Many thanks!





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SPECIAL MENTIONS

Class 1

Special mention to Bobbi Hobbs for helping without being asked.

Class 2

Special mention to Felix Pickering, thank you for all your tidying up this week.

Class 3

Special mention to Isobel Lessiter - For her great commitment to reading at home.

Class 4

Special mention to Isla Dyer who has been trying really hard with her spellings.

LEARNING LEAVES

Class 1

Declan Ford - For developing his independence and knowledge of phonics - well done! Winny Blake - For brilliant listening skills and wonderful artwork - well done!

Class 2

Toby Frank - A great attitude to learning, beautiful writing this week.

Lilly Wedgery - Excellent attitude to learning, showing great determination with maths and writing 'the perfect sentence!'

Class 3

Eva Armstrong - For her superb problem solving in maths and the brilliant collaboration she has shown when working with others.

Arthur Cottington - For showing an excellent attitude towards his work in maths - always ensuring he answers questions to his best ability.

Class 4

Beau Webber - For some lovely well presented written work.

Jake Woodman - For the effort he has made in producing effective blending artwork.