

# Modbury Primary School Newsletter Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic final week of this school year- it has been an absolute pleasure seeing all your children grow and develop in their learning and personalities. Wishing you all a fabulous summer holiday.

### Colehayes Residential

Year 5 enjoyed their residential at Colehayes, near Bovey Tracey. It was very hot!! They took part in crate stacking, rifle range target shooting, orienteering and bushcraft.



#### News from Reception



On Tuesday, the Reception children were invited to take part in a clay workshop. The children had great fun making their clay animals and learnt lots of new skills. Thank you to Jason Marks for making it so fun and teaching the children some new skills.

In the afternoon, we visited the allotments. The children had such fun learning about the different vegetables, fruits and

plants that were being grown. Thank you to Kate Tyler and volunteers from the community for giving up their time to show us around and make it so interesting for the children.





#### **Teddy Bears Picnic**



On Thursday the whole school had a wonderful time with their teddies having a picnic in the sunshine. A BIG thank you to the wonderful PTA for supplying juicy watermelon and cooling ice lollies for everyone to enjoy-they went down a real treat!



Y3 had a lovely Teddy Bears Picnic.

We played duck duck goose and other games before a refreshing swim.



## Water fights!

Year 6 enjoyed a water fight on Thursday and a pool party on Friday! They had great fun getting very wet and cooling off at the same time! Even Mrs Pemberton & Mrs Chester had a swim (where pushed in!) We will certainly miss their presence. We





wish them every success in the next stage of their academic career.

## Parent Pay

Activation letters have been sent out this week to all parents/carers to set up your child's Parentpay account. Please note that from 5th September we will be cash free in school and will no longer be accepting cash or cheques.



The online payment facility has now been closed for school dinner payments on SCOPay and you will not be able to pay this way.

We ask that parents credit their ParentPay accounts with a minimum of £5 for any dinners to be taken w/c 5th September.

We ask that parents pre-order their child's meal the night or week before to help with the kitchen routines and ordering of food. By doing this we ensure that ordering is accurate and waste is limited. Thank you for assisting us as we bed in this new system.

We will be transferring any credit and debit balances from SCOPay to ParentPay during the school holiday. If you have a debt greater than -£5.00 the new system cannot operate and you will need to pay your debt to order a meal, otherwise a packed lunch must be provided. We want to ensure that dinner debts do not mount up so appreciate your support with this.

If you are struggling to pay off your debt, please contact the school to arrange an appointment to discuss payment options. The DCC Free School Meals service is available to help parents on low income. If you feel you may be eligible for FSMs, applying is straightforward and can be undertaken via the DCC Portal Details below. This is the quickest and easiest way and will result in you getting an instant decision.

## How to apply for Free School Meals:

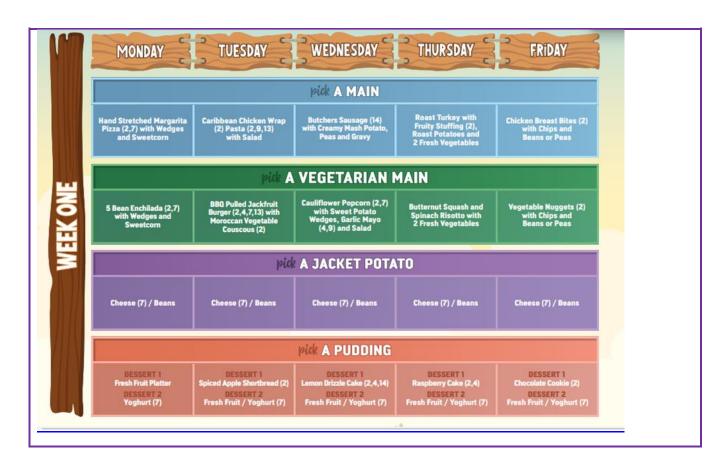
Apply through the Devon Citizens Portal. This is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in you getting an instant decision. Alternatively, call the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

## School Menu w/c 5<sup>th</sup> September Week 1



For full details of our school menu and allergens list please refer to our school website via the link below:

https://www.modburyprimaryschool.co.uk/school-meals/





## Reading Stars

## This year's whole school word reading total:

30, 318, 867



# A massive word count!!!! Well done everyone!

## This YEAR'S top word counts

	First	Second	Third
Whole school	Hailun	Nancy	Lottie
Year 6	Lottie	Ava	Evelyn W
Year 5	Nancy	Joshua	Georgie
Year 4	Hailun	Рорру	Olivia
Year 3	Luke	Ted	Oakah
Year 2	Sophia	Freya	Jack

Louise Nicholls

Head of School

T. Coulthard

# Mrs T Coulthard Executive Head Teacher

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - 2022**

Date	Time	Year	Event
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September		ALL	Return from Summer break
Friday 9th September	Morning	Reception	Forest School
Friday 9th September	Afternoon	Year 1	Forest School
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	ТВС	У6	Junior Life Skills
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	ТВС	KS2	Swimarathon
Friday 21st October		ALL	Non-Pupil Day
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> October		ALL	October half-term

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

## Club Hub

We have thousands of holiday activities listed with the majority of them offering activities for free or with huge discounts available.

https://clubhubuk.co.uk/listings/holiday-activities/

Forest & Beach Summer activities for ages 5-14 years





#### The South Hams Federation

Executive Head Teacher: Mrs Tess Coulthard

Chair of Governors: Jane Greaves







Modbury County Primary School Head of School: Lou Nicholls



Stokenham Area Primary School Head of School: Tess Coulthard

Kingsbridge Community Primary School Head of School: Gareth Howells Loddiswell Primary School Head of School: Victoria Benfield

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C of E Primary School
Head of School:
Jackie Heath

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

On behalf of the South Hams Federation Board of Governors, we would like to thank you all for the support you have given to your schools over what has been another difficult year for everyone.

We know it has been hard at times for you and your children, but we have been totally committed to making sure all of your children have been safe, happy and have had the best education possible.

Our staff in all of our schools are dedicated to your children, this is what drives us all to work so hard. The Governors over this year have been fully aware of the difficulties our schools have been under, but we have worked hard to support our staff. It may not have been a perfect year, but we have made sure that every day there has been someone to teach, feed, clean, respond to queries and keep all the other operational duties going in order to keep our schools functioning.

Schools are very complex places, until you work in one it is difficult to comprehend, teachers and support staff work long hours, mostly unpaid to make sure the day to day running of schools is smooth. It has been hard, but we have a good family support within our Federation who all make sure they look after and support each other. This is what being part of a Federation of schools is about, we know our children, we know our families, and we know our communities.

This week I have been in every school and I have seen so many happy children. Our job is to support the children into their next step on their educational journey, be it Reception moving to Year 1, or our amazing Year 6 children transitioning to Year 7, they are all wonderful.

I hope you all have a restful, fun, safe summer and we shall be here to start another academic year in September.

On behalf of the Governors, thank you for all the support you have given to your school.

Mrs Jane Greaves

Chair of Governors to the South Hams Federation