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Dear Parents and Carers,

## What is happening this week and next

Willow Tree Class have gone on their trip to Bygones today to enrich their learning about Victorian houses and homes. They will be dressing up as Victorian children, experiencing what it was like in a Victorian Street and taking part in other historical activities. On Friday Year 5 and 6 will be selling Jam, Butter and Scones at 3pm on the playground to raise money for the classes. Last day of the school half term is Friday and we are all back on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October. On Monday (First day back) Chestnut Tree Class will be going swimming at Totnes Pavilions so please remember their kit and goggles.

**Friday 18th October (Last day for half term)** - We have a mufti day coming up on Friday 18th October- we would really appreciate any sweets or donations (suggested donation £1). We use these to make up sweet cones for the Christmas fair (Friday 13th December) which are a huge success.

# **DISCOs Tomorrow in school hall**

KSI (Reception, Years I and 2) from 3:30pm - 4:30pm – Please pre book and pay for your child's place with Rebecca. Children can bring their Halloween/disco clothes in and we will help them get changed and then take them to the disco. All of this for just £3 and the children won't need any extra money. Pick up is at 4.30 and you will need to sign them out. <u>COLLECT Acorn, Willow, Lime and Beech CHILDREN FROM THEIR</u> <u>CLASSROOMS as at the end of a school day. Access only from front door of school for security reasons.</u> KS2 (Year 3, 4, 5, 6): 4.45pm – 5.45pm – An adult will need to sign children in and out. Pay when they arrive. Just a reminder that all children are signed back out so please be patient at collection – this is to ensure the safety of all the children.

## **Uniform reminders**

Just a few reminders for uniforms please:

- If your child wants to wear leggings then they need to be worn under a skirt of the same colour. Trousers are fine on their own. Leggings are not trousers, even if they have a pocket or are like jeggings.
- 2. Shoes/trainers/boots need to be a dark colour.
- 3. No nail varnish please.

Many thanks for your support on this, we do believe a uniform really helps the children feel part of our whole school team.

## Year 6 Residential on Monday 28th October - First day back

On Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October all our Year 6 children will be going on their residential camp to Okehampton Adventure. They will be sleeping in dormitories and making their own beds. During the week they will be Team Building, Kayaking, Canoeing, Raft building, High Ropes, Weasling, Archery, Gorge Scrambling, Mountain Biking and learning Bush Craft Skills along with other lovely fun activities. The coach is booked for a 10am pick up so if parents and carers would like to wave the children off then please go to the road near the staff car park. Parents can drop the children off at the front of the building with their luggage. The school Emergency Mobile Number will be emailed to you on Monday.

#### Nasel Flu Vaccination - Reminder for consent or to decline via the link

The cut off day for using the link is Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October. We have been informed that only 160 children have been registered either with consent or declined and we have 320 children here at school. Even if you do not want your child to have it could you decline via the link.

In order to provide electronic consent and to decline, please access the secure consent portal via the following link: <u>https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2019/devon</u> and follow the online instructions.

#### PTA Bags2School - collected Monday 4th November

As well as raising vitally needed funds for the school this scheme also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. So, we would really appreciate it if you could have a sort through your cupboards and wardrobes over half term and donate unwanted textiles in the bags that you have. If you need more then please see Rebecca.

#### Praise Assembly

Praise assembly this week is Flame Tree class on Friday at 2.45pm. The next praise assembly is Lime Tree class on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 2.45pm.

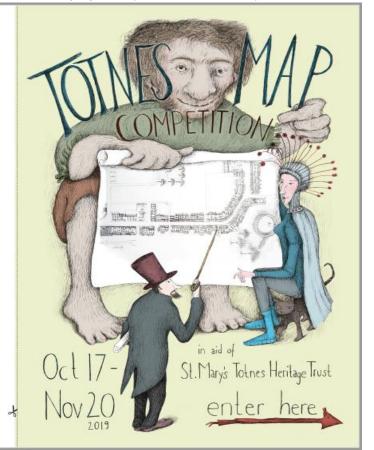
Kind regards

Hilary Priest

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> 26TH NOVEMBER 2019 FROM 3.30PM TOTNES CIVIC HALL

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# Little Wolf Theatre Club

Reception Children and Year I

Thursdays November 7<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> December 8<sup>th</sup> from 3.15 until 4.15 (£15 for 5 weeks) please contact Gareth Wolf on garethwolf@gmail.com