



# Newsletter- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February



## Connect Games- Archery

This week, a team of Key Stage Two children attended an archery competition for the latest instalment of the Connect Games at Thornbury Primary School. Mr Easterbrook was very impressed with how well they picked up the skills needed for archery and there was even a few bullseyes along the way! Well done Team Leigham!



## Year 2 Assembly

Year 2 had an imaginative trip to Kampong Ayer yesterday afternoon when they presented their year group assembly to their adults. They loved showing what they had learnt this term, including their brilliant watercolour paintings in the style of David McEown. Well done, Year 2!



EYFS & KS1

## Book Week Homework - COMPETITION

Next week will be our school Book Week! Our theme this year is 'Tell me a Story...' Within this theme, we will be looking at storytelling and the fun that can be had through oracy and then writing. We would like you to come up with a short story about the picture. We can't wait to read your exciting stories as you allow your imagination to run wild. Prizes will be given to any winners. **All entries need to be handed in to class teachers by Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February.** The homework and pictures can be found on the class pages on our school website.



KS2



We will not be dressing up next week but will be on World Book Day in March.

## Bikeability (Y1 & Y5)

Next week the children in Year 1 and Year 5 will have four days of Bikeability. The children will need to wear their P.E. kit on Monday-Thursday. Please ensure your child does not wear loose fitting clothes. Year 5 will be cycling outside so they will also need to remember a waterproof coat. Year 1 will be provided with balance bikes so they **do not** need to bring a bike. You can send your child with a bike helmet if you wish, however these can also be available. Y5 will need to bring a bike and helmet to school.

## Staffing Update

Miss Roe will sadly be leaving us at the end of next week. We would like to thank her for her infectious passion for learning and curiosity and for making such a huge impact in many areas but particularly in sustainability and science across the school.



Today is a very special day for Miss Dott as she is getting married! We would like to wish her a lifetime of happiness with her husband and we look forward to welcoming her back to school as Mrs Stone on Monday!

## Celebrations

Chloe in Year 6 was awarded her red belt in kickboxing following 5 hours of very hard work for her first ever panel grading on Saturday. We are very proud of her!

Barnaby in Year 1 was delighted to be awarded player of the week by his football club (Elm) yesterday and got to take the trophy home for the week. Well done!

As a result of their amazing efforts in the Staddiscombe cross country events earlier in the year, Mikey and Albie in Year 5 were selected to compete against children from all over Devon at the Schools' Cross Country championships in North Devon last weekend. Unfortunately, Albie had picked up an injury and was unable to take part but we are proud to say that Mikey raced and came 11<sup>th</sup>. This is a fantastic achievement as he was one of the youngest competitors and there were only 63 seconds between him and the first place winner too. Well done!

Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Barker



## Key Dates

\*Please check this section each week as new dates are added frequently.

Wb 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Bikeability for Year 5 and Balanceability for Year 1
Wb 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Book Week
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Deadline for Book Week Homework entries</b>
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2- 3pm	Foundation Learning Together Session
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of Term 3
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	First day of Term 4
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2.15-3.00	Year 3 (Larch) Learning Together Session
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2.15-3.00	Year 3 (Spruce) Learning Together Session
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March all day</b>	<b>World Book Day dress up</b>
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2.00- 3.00	Year 1 Learning Together Session
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 9.15-10.15</b>	<b>Nursery starters Stay &amp; Play Session</b>
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March 9-10 * NEW DATE*	Parent Workshop led by MHST – ‘Separation Anxiety’
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2.15- 3.00	Year 6 Learning Together Session
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	PARENTS EVENING (All classes)
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 1.30-3.00	Year 4 Learning Together Session
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>PARENTS EVENING (OAK CLASS)</b>
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	PARENTS EVENING (All classes except Oak)
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2.00- 3.00	Rocksteady Concert and last day of Term 4
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	EASTER BREAK
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of Term 5
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>New Nursery starters Home Visits</b>
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	<b>New Nursery starters Home Visits</b>
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	FOLS Spring Disco – more information to follow
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Last day of Term 5
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	HALF TERM
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Non Pupil Day
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	First day of Term 6
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of the academic year

Connect Academy Trust  
Term Dates 2025-2026

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 Bank Holiday  
 Non Pupil Days

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# Awards Pages

If you would like to share significant successes e.g. from your child's involvement in clubs/ competitions out of school, please send a short explanation (and a photograph if you wish to include one) to [admin@leigham-primary.plymouth.sch.uk](mailto:admin@leigham-primary.plymouth.sch.uk) with 'Newsletter Celebrations' in the subject line. Please note that the newsletter is shared via email and online through our website and social media platforms and so adding a photograph to your email means that you consent to it being shared in all of those places.

## Class Charter Champion

Each week, staff recognise a class member who has demonstrated our school values of being **KIND, READY** for a challenge and a great **LEARNER**. They will be invited to celebrate with a hot chocolate on Friday afternoon.

<b>Ash</b>	Kylo	<b>Spruce</b>	Charlotte
<b>Oak</b>	Thea	<b>Beech</b>	Georgina
<b>Maple</b>	Barney	<b>Hazel</b>	Ryan E
<b>Palm</b>	Alex	<b>Fir</b>	Ben
<b>Poplar</b>	Evelyn	<b>Elm</b>	George
<b>Willow</b>	Lyla	<b>Pine</b>	Stanley
<b>Larch</b>	Brodie	<b>Yew</b>	Lincoln



## Dojo Awards

The classes with the most weekly Dojos in each Key Stage are shown below.

<b>Key Stage 1</b>	<b>Key Stage 2</b>
Ash	Hazel

## A CUPPA WITH A COPPER



### Estover Library

Friday 27 February, 12pm to 2pm

The local policing team will be hosting a drop-in session at Estover Library.

Everyone is welcome to pop in and have a chat about any concerns you have in your local area.



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library@plymouth.gov.uk

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## HALF TERM CRAFTS



### Estover Library

Tuesday 17 and Friday 20 February  
11.30am to 4pm

Come and see us this half term for loads of exciting craft activities.

Children and their families are welcome to pop in. Materials will be provided.



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**WedoFootball**  
**FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY FOOTBALL CLUBS**  
Fun • Safe • Inclusive Football for Children

**Venues & Dates**

- Stoke Damerel Community College**  
Monday 16th – Friday 20th February
- Tor Bridge**  
Tuesday 17th & Thursday 19th February
- St Matthews Primary**  
Wednesday 18th February
- Hooe Primary**  
Wednesday 18th February
- Plymstock School**  
Friday 20th February

**Who Can Attend?**  
Ages 5–15 years  
Times 10:00am – 3:00pm  
FREE early drop-off from 9:15am

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**Cost**  
Just £12.50 per child, per day  
FREE early drop-off from 9:15am

**What to Bring**  
✓ Packed lunch & drink  
✓ Trainers & moulded football studs

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**HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB**

**Ages 5-12** | **10am - 3pm** | **£12.50 Per Day**

**St Matthews Primary**  
Tuesday 17th February  
Thursday 19th February

**Hooe Primary School**  
Tuesday 17th February  
Thursday 19th February

**Drop Off From 9:15am - FREE!**

Maximum fun in a safe learning environment!  
Fully insured – No pressure, just lots of fun!

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Family Friendly at Plymouth Arts Cinema

# Little Amelie (PG)



Tickets  
**£4.50**

Wednesday 18th February, 11am  
Saturday 21st February, 11am

Join us for a **FREE** drop-in colouring  
workshop from 10am.

Relaxed, accessible, neurodiverse and baby friendly  
Cinema snacks and hot and cold drinks at the bar  
Award-winning local independent cinema!

[plymouthartscinema.org/whats-on/little-amelie-pg/](http://plymouthartscinema.org/whats-on/little-amelie-pg/)



**FREE  
COMMUNITY  
EVENT**



HOME PARK

# CELEBRATION OF WOMEN AND GIRLS IN SPORT

Wednesday, 18 February  
Event starts at 2.30pm | Kick-off at 7.30pm



## WATCH ARGYLE WOMEN VS EXETER CITY FOR FREE!



Book your  
**FREE** tickets!



## DISCOVER NEW SPORTS, MEET LOCAL TEAMS, AND TRY ACTIVITIES!

athletics netball martial arts  
basketball water sports volleyball  
cheerleading boxing disability sports  
football cricket (including SEND)

*plus many more!*

## HEALTH AND WELLBEING ZONE

Discuss physical and mental health with professionals

TUESDAY  
17TH FEBRUARY 2026  
09:30 - 11:30

# MARDI GRAS

PANCAKES AND CARNIVAL FUN  
CHRIST CHURCH, ESTOVER  
PL6 5RD

CRAFTS  
PANCAKE ACTIVITIES  
ALL AGES WELCOME

FREE FOR ALL  
DONATIONS APPRECIATED