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Dear Parents and Carers,

Class 1 Teddy Bears' Picnic

The children had a lovely afternoon on the Willowbank, they really enjoyed making and decorating their cakes for sharing.



Horticultural Society Cup

Robbie was presented with a special cup during Friday's assembly by the Horticultural Society for his variety of entries.

Congratulations to Robbie and well done to all who entered.



Inspirational Maths

Children across the school have started the year with some of the inspirational maths resources written by Jo Boaler of youcubed. Having a growth mindset in learning is a big focus at Goodleigh. In the maths lessons the children have been problem solving, working in groups, explaining, visualising and thinking deeply about maths. These resources complement our curriculum as all of these areas are a big focus in our maths lessons.

Please find attached a parent handout written by Jo Boaler with advice on how to help your child at home with maths. You can find more resources on the website at the bottom of the handout if you are interested.

PFTA (Parents, Friends and Teachers Association)

The PFTA (Parents, Friends and Teachers Association) would like to welcome everyone back to school, especially all the new families. We run a few events throughout the school year to provide some 'extra's' for the children. For example in previous years we have contributed to forest school activities for the younger children and support theatre trips for the whole school, we have also arranged disco's for the children at Christmas time.

We meet a couple of times a term to organise the events and would love to see you or hear from you if you have any fund raising ideas.

As parents or guardians of the children at our school, we are all automatically committee members, but if you would like to become a more active member then please come and join us next Wednesday 21st September at the lower school at 3.30pm. We look forwards to welcoming you.

Funderzone Night

The PFTA are organising a Funderzone night on Friday 14th October from 7-8.30pm. It will be £3.00 a child. The cafe is usually open for parents who would like to stay, have a coffee and chat we would love to see you there.

NSPCC Visit

Please find a letter attached following the visit from the NSPCC (Years 1-6 only, excludes reception children).

Primary School Sports Festival, West Buckland School

Year 6 pupils will be attending the Primary School Sports Festival on Friday 23rd September at West Buckland. They will need their swimming kit and school P.E. kit. We are awaiting final confirmation of all details and we will send this out to parents early next week.

Contact Information and Parental Consent Forms

Many thanks to those who have already completed and returned the parental consent forms that were attached to last week's newsletter. If you are yet to do so, please can you complete and return this form at your soonest opportunity.

Kind regards,



Kate Grant

Head of Teaching and Learning

Diary Dates

Wednesday 21 st September	Devon and Somerset Fire & Rescue Service Talks Years 2 and 5 only
	PFTA (Parents, Friends and Teachers Association) meet in Class 2 at 3.30pm
Friday 23 rd September	Year 6 Primary School Sports Festival at West Buckland
Tuesday 4 th October	Individual / Family Photographs
Thursday 6 th October	Harvest Festival at 2.30pm
Friday 14 th October	Funderzone Night from 7.00pm until 8.30pm
Monday 17 th October	Class 4-The Elephant in the Garden at The Plough
Thursday 20 th & Friday 21 st October	Non-Pupil Days
Monday 24 th - Friday 28 th October	Half Term
Monday 31 st October	Back to school

GOODLEIGH GETS CRAFTY

Goodleigh Village
Hall.

Come along and
bring friends and
family.
Light refreshments
and fun for all

£2.50 adult
Children FREE

7-9pm

Wednesday 28th
September 2016



More information
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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you know, the NSPCC visited our school yesterday and delivered their Speak out. Stay safe. assembly to share information with your child about how they can keep themselves safe from harm and get help if they have any worries.

It was a very worthwhile and empowering session for both pupils and teachers. They spoke to the children and staff about the valuable work they do across the country, and talked about how important it is for everyone in our school community to join them in their 'fight for every childhood'.

Talking about the Underwear Rule with your children

The NSPCC's work in schools will help encourage conversations about staying safe – and they have a number of child-friendly materials to help you carry on the conversation afterwards. That includes 'The Underwear Rule', a simple way for parents to help keep children safe from sexual abuse – without using scary words or even mentioning sex.

The guide uses the rules of PANTS to teach children that their body belongs to them and them alone. You can also find out more and download the free resources at nspcc.org.uk/pants

If you'd like to know more about the NSPCC's work, or take a look at the wide range of information and advice which is available for parents and carers, please visit their website nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/

Yours sincerely,

Claire Grant