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#### THE DUCHY MILE

The Duchy mile was once again a fantastic event supported by numerous spectators.

The parents' race started the event, which is showing a larger number of attendees this year; maybe next year we could reach 20?

The classes ran together with Brunel running with Foundation, Reynolds with Cook, Acland with Raleigh and Drake on their own. The younger children loved being paired with the older ones, to help them complete their mile.

The Key Stage two children had the option to run again in the timed mile. This year Jess Trevelyan broke the girl's record to now top the girl's leader board on the hall of fame. Another mention should be made to Jack Trevelyan for getting the fourth quickest time on the boys' board and only being in year 3!

Thank you very much for sponsorship money already given in. We would be grateful to receive any more by **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May**. All monies raised will go to the Exeter Foundation, which raises money for local causes.











## **CHARITY CAKE SALE**

Miss Cane was due to run the London Marathon last weekend and is unable to raise the funds for her chosen charity: Macmillian Cancer Support. To show our appreciation of her work and dedication to our school we will be holding a cake stall after school on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April and running a relay marathon. More information will follow with the finalised details. In addition to our fundraising, you are more than welcome to donate using the link below.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/susiecane?utm\_source=Facebook&utm\_medium=fundraisin gpage&utm\_content=susie-cane&utm\_campaign=pfpshare

## TOPICS

Topics this term are as follows:

Class	Торіс
Foundation	Commotion in the Ocean
Cook/Raleigh	Flowers and Insects
Drake	Plants
Acland	Animals (including humans)
Reynolds	The Human Body
Brunel	Evolution

If you have any relevant skills, knowledge or resources you feel would support the children's learning, please contact the school office or speak directly to the class teacher.

#### FAREWELL TO HAROLD AND BRIAN

We say a very fond farewell to Harold Irish who has been our caretaker for over 15 years and Brian who has been our cleaner for over 10 years. They have both worked so hard to make our school environment a great place for all of us over the years and we are very thankful for everything that they have done.

## ROUNDERS

The Duchy took a Year 5/6 team to compete in a rounders competition for local schools in the trust at Cullompton Community College. There were some close games as the side got to know each other and worked out the tactics they needed to employ. Once they were clear how best to work as a team they put in some fabulous performances, running out clear winners of the event and progressing to the next round of the competition. Well played, Duchy.



# **ROAD SAFETY**

We have recently been in contact with local residents and the police about road safety around the school. We are very concerned to hear that so many cars are parking on pavements and putting children at risk. Should this problem continue drivers may be issued with fixed penalty notices. The surrounding roads can get very busy and it is important to be aware of pedestrian and vehicular traffic. We thank you in anticipation of your cooperation with this matter.

#### **STARS OF THE WEEK**



Our stars for last week and the week before are:

Foundation: Oscar Hitchcock & Cooper Wills Cook: Noah Phare & Kyle Harding Raleigh: Elliot Fullarton & Liam Milford Drake: Harley Clark & Jessica Saunders Acland: Olivia Reader & Rueben Starmanns-Russel Reynolds: Bobby Ball & Joshua Cantrill-Hore Brunel: Grainger Davison & Harry Bryant

## MATHEMATICIANS OF THE WEEK

Foundation: Tyler Johnson Cook: Demi-Leigh Fleck & Mia Myhill Raleigh: Lily Crawford & Brooklyn Foster Drake: Elijah Humphrey & Oliver Burnett Acland: Chelsea Hayden & Isaac Groom Reynolds: Imogen Luke & Rory Godfrey Brunel : Archie Cooper & Martha Brazil-Breeze

**TERM DATES for 2016/17 SUMMER Term** will end on 21<sup>st</sup> July **Half Term** 29<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES TERM DATES 2017/18 AUTUMN Term will start on 6<sup>th</sup> September and will end on 15<sup>th</sup> December Non-Pupil Day 19<sup>th</sup> October Occasional Day 20<sup>th</sup> October Half Term 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> October SPRING TERM will start on 3<sup>rd</sup> January and end on 29<sup>th</sup> March Half Term 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February

**SUMMER TERM** will start  $17^{th}$  April and end on  $26^{th}$  July **Half Term**  $28^{th}$  May –  $1^{st}$  June

