



*"Mighty oaks from little acorns grow"*

**Our vision:**

***We constantly strive to promote the overall development of all our pupils and staff. We want the children to come to school happy and eager to learn in a caring environment, where all members of the school community feel that they can reach their full potential.***

Dear All

*Thank you to you all once again for your support and cooperation over the recent severe weather. Children in Devon have certainly had a great experience of snow in recent weeks!*

*The children have all enjoyed Sports Relief Week and have had the opportunity to experience different ways of exercising, including whole school fitness in the hall, parachute games and yoga.*

*We are sorry to be saying good-bye this week to Mrs Evernden. She has been doing a fantastic job of covering Cook class whilst Miss Smith has been on sabbatical. I would like to thank Mrs Evernden for all her hard work over the last term and a half and wish her all the best as she moves onto a different school after Easter. We look forward to welcoming Miss Smith back at the beginning of the Summer Term.*

*Dawn Pettit, the Baptist minister in Bradninch, will be retiring at Easter and this Wednesday will be her last assembly at The Duchy School. Dawn has taken assemblies each week for a number of years and has supported us on many different occasions. We also wish her all the best as she moves onto pastures new.*

*Please try to come along to the PTFA Easter Fayre here at 3.30pm on Wednesday. There will be an Easter Egg hunt amongst other Easter activities for you to join in with. The PTFA will also be announcing the winner of their logo competition!*

*I would like to wish you all a very happy Easter holiday and look forward to seeing you at the beginning of the Summer Term.*

Alison Bourne

## Our fortnight in pictures...



*aiming skills in Foundation*



*PE in Drake*



*Reynolds: exploring surrealism*



*whole school fitness*



*parachute games in Cook*



*dressing as sporting heroes*

## Our Notice Board

### PTFA Easter Fayre

Please come along this Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> March at 3.30pm to support the PTFA Easter Fayre.

### The Duchy Mile

The children will be running The Duchy Mile again on 29<sup>th</sup> March. Please support The Exeter Foundation Charity, by sponsoring your child. There will be a prize for the top 3 children who raise the most for this worthwhile charity. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit along with trainers in school on this day.

### School Uniform Reminder


Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing the correct uniform. The uniform list is on our website under Parents/Information section. Don't forget to name each item of uniform!  
 Thank you

### Sports Relief Day


We raised £90 to help people both across the UK and the world to live happier, healthier and safer lives.

Thank you for your support!

## Celebrations!

Mathematicians of the Week	
	
Our mathematicians for the last fortnight are:	
Foundation	Olivia & Oscar
Cook	Esme & May
Raleigh	Flora & Kyle
Drake	Ollie & Chloe
Acland	Bethany & Harley
Reynolds	Ruben & Rosie T
Brunel	Rory & Katy

Stars of the Week	
	
Our stars for the last fortnight are:	
Foundation	Molly, Ellie & Sophia
Cook	Joey & Megan
Raleigh	Jimmy & Dotty
Drake	Katie & Flora
Acland	Erin K & Amy
Reynolds	Leon & Chelsea
Brunel	Josh & Betsy

Friendship Points	
	
Our current Friendship totals are:	
Holland	610
Wales	590
Italy	610
South Africa	520
New Zealand	550
Japan	560
Brazil	670

Well done to all our Stars and Mathematicians as well as to **Brazil** Friendship Group!

Class Attendance certificates: Brunel & Raleigh

Congratulations to Millie Williams in Cook Class who has been successful in her requisite exam in Taekwon-Do and has been granted recognition as 8<sup>th</sup> kup!



## Diary Dates

Date	Event
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Drake Class Assembly 3pm
28 <sup>th</sup> March	PTFA Easter Fayre 3.30-4.30pm at school
29 <sup>th</sup> March	The Duchy Mile - sponsored event

TERM DATES 2017/18
SPRING TERM will end on 29 <sup>th</sup> March.
SUMMER TERM will start 17 <sup>th</sup> April and end on 26 <sup>th</sup> July.
Half Term 28 <sup>th</sup> May - 1 <sup>st</sup> June

**TERM DATES for 2018/19**

**AUTUMN** Term Commences on 5th September 2018 and Finishes on 20th December  
Non-pupil Day Friday 19th October

Half Term 22nd - 26th October

**SPRING** Term Commences on 7th January 2019 and Finishes on 5th April 2019

Half Term 18th - 22nd February

**SUMMER** Term Commences on 24th April 2019 and Finishes on 24th July 2019

Non-Pupil Day Monday 3rd June 2019

Half Term 27th May - 31st May 2019