



St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter – 3rd March 2023



A huge thank you to everyone who brought in books for the book swap every child should have brought home a 'new to them' book to enjoy. They will also have tokens that can be used at a range of shops to receive their free world book day book.

I would also like to thank everyone who made a donation of food for the foodbank this week. We will continue this collection each week as part of Lent.

This week, Robins have been doing lots of writing based on the story, 'The Way Back Home' by Oliver Jeffers. We have been thinking about who the boy might meet on the moon, how he is feeling and how he might get back home. The children have been sharing their ideas and writing sentences. We are thinking about using capital letters at the start of each sentence and a full stop at the end. As well as this we are putting spaces between each word. I am so impressed with how the children are remembering to spell the new digraphs we have learnt. In maths we have started to explore our number bonds to ten.

This week in Woodpeckers we have learnt the story 'The mouse and the Elephant' and we have loved doing different activities to help us with this. We have also enjoyed learning about amphibians, reptiles and fish and naming different examples of them. We are very excited for our world book day activities.

Another fantastic, busy week in Owl's. In English this week, the children have been using expanded noun phrases and prepositions of time and place in their writing. The children all enjoyed their first cooking lesson, they were able to follow a simple recipe independently. During geography we have looked at the physical features in Devon and the physical features in Île-de-France, ask the children if they can remember any physical features.

Kestrels have explored thematic maps using digimaps and found out about different biomes in the world. They enjoyed using the key to discover the meaning of the different colours and locating desert, rainforest and tundra biomes in the world. In science they made a simple model to show the movement of the sun earth and moon - ask then to show you the model and explain what it shows!

In Eagle's class the children have been tackling some algebra! They have all been pleasantly surprised at their understanding and success with this topic. We have also been having a big arithmetic push to help ensure that all of the children are secure with this. On Friday the children will continue with their digestion topic. In last week's lesson they had to push crackers and bananas through the leg of a pair of tights!

PE class days- Spring term 2023

- *Robin Class - Monday & Wednesday
- *Woodpecker Class - Monday & Tuesday
- *Owl class - Monday & Friday
- *Kestrel class - Thursday & Friday
- *Eagle class – Wednesday & Thursday

Ten Ten December

Please follow the link to the parent's newsletter.

<http://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

Dates for your diary

7th to 9th March – Parents Evening

7th March – superstars club cancelled

22nd March – Sports for Schools sponsorship event – more info to follow

27th to 31st March – Year 5 bikeability course

w/c 27th March – no after school clubs

St Mary's Values			
Living, loving and learning with God			
Safe	Trust	Achievement	Resilience
Forgiveness			
Respectful	Aim high		
Responsible	Have a go		
Caring	Curious		
Value each other	Self-belief		

Stars of the week!

Robin class – Ezra

Woodpecker class – Edyth

Owl class – Ava

Kestrel class – All of Kestrel class for having patience and resilience in their first sewing lesson of our DT unit.

Eagle class – Mikolaj

IXL Star of the week

Woodpecker class- Parker and Evie

Owl class- Adam

Kestrel class- Olivia

Eagle class- Jozef

General award – Pixie, Genevieve

Music award – Eli

Sports stars of the week – Seb, Kitty, Skyla, Mia, Megan, Tilly, Amelie, Darcy, Emily, Amelia,

Homework

Robin

Please encourage reading and remember to write your comments in their learning journals.

Woodpecker

Maths

Year 1 F1-9

Year 2 Review R1-16

English

Year 1 P4-7

Year 2 M4-8

Owl

Maths:

Year 2: BB 1-4

Year 3: P 10-12

English:

Year 2: OO 1-3

Year 3: UU 1-5

Homework

Kestrel:

Reading - at least 3 times a week at home.

Times tables continue to practice, target 18 or more on the test.

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>

IXL maths B7 Z7 BB2

IXL English Z4 DD1

Eagle:

Y5 Maths: f 6-10

Y6 Maths: DD 1-9

Y5 English: Q 1-4

Y6 English: MM 1-4

Useful Links

The Catholic Children's Society support funding for essential household items.

[Grant Giving - Catholic Children's Society \(Plymouth\) \(ccsplymouth.org.uk\)](https://ccsplymouth.org.uk)

Devon County Financial Support and Advice

Help with household bills, energy costs and financial assistance

Do you need help with childcare costs? Please click the link below.

The Government's Childcare Choices lists all the schemes available here

Axminster Foodbank

Contact: Hanover House. Ex13 5Bi Chard Street. Axminster EX13 5DZ · 01297 32331

Stop Line Way Junior Park Run

On Tuesday morning we welcomed Sarah Shepley into school to lead an assembly about the Stop Line Way Junior Park run which happens every Sunday at 9am starting at Axminster Town Football Club. We are hoping she has inspired many of the children to give the park run a go. Due to the Grizzly event happening this weekend, there is NO Stopline Way Junior Park run in Axminster this Sunday. **The next event will be on Sunday 12th March.**

Here is Sarah pictured with some of the children from St Mary's who have been running the Stop Line Way Junior Park Run



Chase away the winter blues at the...
Stopline Way Junior parkrun

- Free, timed 2km run for 4 to 14 year olds
- Every Sunday at 0900
- Start & finish at Axminster Town FC (Go Tigers!)

<https://www.parkrun.org.uk/stoplineway-juniors/>
<https://www.facebook.com/stoplinewayjuniorparkrun>



- Run, jog, walk, volunteer...
- Make new friends, have fun...
- And don't forget your barcode!

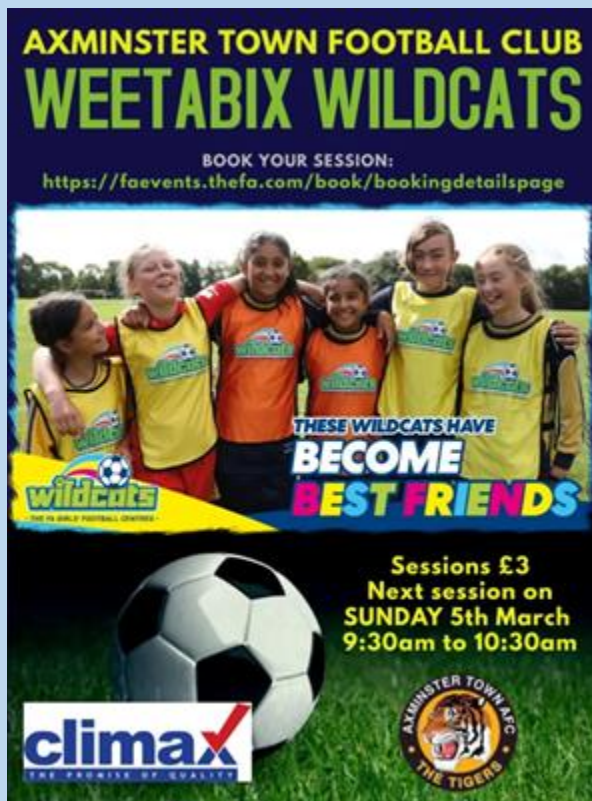
East Devon Netball Finals

Well done to our netball team who represented the Axe Valley at the East Devon Finals on Wednesday this week. We took a squad of nine and rotated the children so they all played in a variety of positions. Despite not winning any of our matches, I was really proud of the girl's attitude and team spirit throughout the tournament. They kept going and tried their best. Well done to Skyla who was awarded a Spirit of the Games award by the school games organiser Mr Moran for her tenacity. Mr Moran noticed how Skyla was tenacious in her defending, trying hard to intercept the ball despite her opponent being much taller. Congratulations to Kitty who was awarded a medal for showing passion during her play. Kitty, showed determination to win the ball, staying on her toes and being alert to try to win every pass or intercept whilst defending. All the girls deserve congratulations for their efforts. All the girls deserve congratulations for their efforts. They didn't go unnoticed as we topped the Spirit of the Games, Fair Play averages chart with an average of 9.75 across their games and we were awarded the Fair Play Winners Certificate. Well done girls!



Wildcats is back!

Wildcats (football for girls aged between 5 and 11) starts this Sunday, 5th March, from 9:30pm until 10:30pm at Axminster Town Football Club. It would be great to see some girls from St Mary's come along.



AXMINSTER TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB
WEETABIX WILDCATS

BOOK YOUR SESSION:
<https://faevents.thefa.com/book/bookingdetailspage>

THESE WILDCATS HAVE
**BECOME
BEST FRIENDS**

Sessions £3
Next session on
SUNDAY 5th March
9:30am to 10:30am

climax
THE PROMISE OF QUALITY

AXMINSTER TOWN F.C.
THE TIGERS

The poster features a group of six young girls in yellow and orange football kits posing on a grassy field. A large soccer ball is positioned in the lower left corner. The background is a dark blue gradient with white and yellow text.