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# Thorverton Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

The children enjoyed preparing and performing their contributions for the lovely Harvest Festival service which we held in the church yesterday. Thank you to all of you who provided produce to donate to St Petroc's in Exeter, a charity that supports homeless people. We sold the fresh produce after school yesterday and raised £30.50. Mary Thomas has kindly offered to take the non-perishable items and the money raised from the sale of fresh fruit and vegetables to St Petroc's on our behalf.

## **School Photographer, Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> October**

The Tempest school photographer will be in school to take photos of all the children, individually and in family groups, on Tuesday morning, 7<sup>th</sup> October. Remind the children to carry on looking their smartest!

## **Wanted!**

We need some more cob for our cob oven in our outdoor learning area. If anyone has any left-over pieces of cob wall or the ingredients to make cob (subsoil, straw), we would be very grateful for anything you have. Please see me, Mr White, if you can help.

## **Newspapers Wanted**

We also need more old newspapers for art work in the classrooms. If you have any, please bring them into the office. We would really like newspapers without the sort of "page 3" pictures that children should not be exposed to in school!

## **Volunteers for Class 3**

If anyone would like to come into Class 3 and help with small group work, especially maths, Mr Mackie would love to hear from you. He would involve you in one session per week from 9.10am.

## **PTFA Meeting, Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> October, 8pm**

Everybody is welcome to attend the PTFA meeting taking place on Tuesday evening in the Exeter Inn. Come and find out about the work the PTFA does to raise money to help the school, bring ideas for fundraising events and make new friends. Recently, the PTFA have funded much of the construction of the outdoor learning area, they have paid for an end-of-primary-school trip for the children in Year 6, helped with the cost of the coaches to take the children to Stonehenge, and much more.

## **Parent Consultation Evenings**

On Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October, we will be holding parent consultation meetings. Please note the change from Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> October. This is a meeting to discuss your child's start at school this term and to set targets for the coming year. For Class 3, Mr Mackie will be available on a third evening, Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> October. Please sign up for a meeting time on the timetables which we will pin up on the classroom doors next week.

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## Great West Run

I would just like to remind those parents whose children have signed up to take part in the Great West Run Schools Challenge on Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> October, that there are still some entry fees outstanding. The entry fee is £10. We also still have a few spare places for any children that haven't signed up for the run, but who would like to take part. Please see me, Mr White, or Tammi Vukusic for more details.

## Flute Lessons

Jemma Bloch has a few spaces to teach the flute to children in Year 3 and above. If your child is interested in learning the flute in school time, please come to the office for more information.

## Morrison's Vouchers

We are collecting Morrison's Let's Grow Vouchers in a box in the entrance lobby of the main school building. Please help us to save for some equipment for our garden or the outdoor learning area.

## Band and Disco at Cheriton Fitzpaine School

All parents and friends are warmly invited to Cheriton Fitzpaine PTFA's fundraising evening on Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> October, from 8pm to midnight. A great band called Cover'd will be performing, Dicky D's Disco will be entertaining and there will be a bar. The event will take place at Cheriton Fitzpaine School and tickets are available in Thorverton from Rachel Mildon at £7.50 each.

## Collective Worship Dates

Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> October, 3pm	Class 1 Assembly
Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> October, 3pm	Class 3 Assembly

## Diary Dates

Tuesday, 7 <sup>th</sup> October, 9am	School photographer in school
Tuesday, 7 <sup>th</sup> October, 8pm	PTFA meeting in the Exeter Inn
Tuesday, 14 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parents consultation meetings with class teachers
Thursday, 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Extra consultation meeting for parents of children in Class 3
Sunday, 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Great West Run Schools Challenge
Monday, 27 <sup>th</sup> to Friday, 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Half-term holiday

With best wishes,

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