

Dear Families,

This week has been full of exciting opportunities for our children! Our Key Stage Two children had a wonderful trip to Kents Cavern, which supported our History learning all about the Stone Age. The children enjoyed exploring the caves and learning about life in prehistoric times, bringing their lessons to life!

Huge congratulations to Leas Foot class for their incredible achievement in creating a fantastic story time film. The film showcases their love of reading and will be shared with hundreds of children across our Trust today. We are so proud of the hard work and creativity they put into this project. It was truly a joy to welcome our families to the World Premiere yesterday—what a brilliant event it was!

Have a great weekend,

Miss Coombe

### Spring Term Dates

Date	Event
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Steeple Cove Theatre Trip
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Bacon rolls and coffee at Drop off FTS Spring Extravaganza PM
9am 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Easter Service in Church
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Last Day of Spring Term

Some important information for next week-

- PE for all classes every **Wednesday** (children may come to school in PE kit and stay in It all day) Please remember we also run a BEFORE school club and AFTER school club with Mr C our PE provider.
- Forest and Beach sessions will resume next week, and this half term **Sedgewell Cove** will be taking part in the morning session and **Leas Foot** will be taking part in the afternoon session.

### Forest and Beach Dates Spring 2

#### Tuesdays

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

# All Saints Thurlestone Academy Weekly Bulletin

Welcome to our weekly bulletin. Below you will find lots of useful information and lovely news from your child's classroom.



## Steeple Cove Nursery

This week's focus has been on..... Land, air and sea.

This week Steeple Cove became investigators by recognising where animals and transport fit into our categories. The children showed us their understanding through a map, locating if the animal or the mode of transport should be in the sky, on the land or in the sea. As a class we have produced a fantastic collective map that we are all proud of.

The children made animals and transport using a range of resourced during our junk modelling sessions. Creating "rockets, boats, motorbikes, sharks, parrots and cows".

Phonics sounds of the week-

This week we have been learning the phonics sounds...

Recapping all phase, one sounds



Star of the Week!



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Henry -

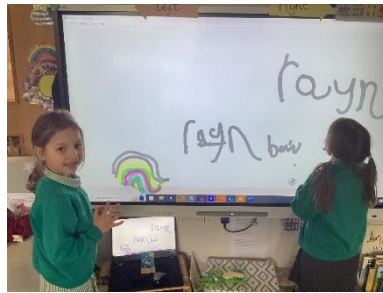
Henry has been working extremely hard on his phonics during our daily phonics sessions, we are so proud with the amount of progress you have made over this last term. Well, Done Henry!



# Yarmer Reception / Year One

## This Week

We have had yet another wonderful week in Yarmer. We are growing ever more confident with our RWInc learning, practising sounds every day. As mathematicians, we have been learning about 1 more and 1 less than a given number, Reception using numbers within 10, and Year 1 using numbers to 50. We will be moving on to length and mass next week. As geographers, we are learning about hot and cold countries. This week, we focused on animals and how they survive in their climate. For example, polar bears have thick fur to stay warm, and elephants have large ears to keep them cool. We talked about how some animals are nocturnal, they sleep during the day to stay cool, and are awake and hunt at night time. Some animals bury themselves in the sand to keep cool too. In colder climates, animals store fat to keep warm, and are climatized to the cold water so they don't feel the cold. Penguins stand together to keep warm and move within their circles to maintain their warmth. We have loved being out enjoying the sunshine and having the warmth on our faces! Have a fabulous weekend!



## Home Learning

Reception – Maths – Dominoe addition

Year 1 - Maths – Partitioning numbers into 10s and 1s

Reading in Yarmer: Reading is key to everything your little one will do in school and we want every child to be confident readers with a love of books. Your support with reading at home is key to this. Your child will bring home their reading record along with their RWInc books. It is really important that they read their book at least three times a week with a grown up. Please make a note of any comments in their reading record and we will follow them up in class.

Please note, Reception children will not be receiving a reading book until their newly taught phonic knowledge is fully embedded. Instead, they will be choosing library books for you to share with them. We will endeavour to visit the library each Friday.

RWInc reading books due in: Thursday

Library reading books due in: Thursday

New reading books: Friday

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### **Attendance**

Our attendance target is 98%  
Last week's attendance was 59%  
Let's try and improve next week!

### **Star of the Week!**

Autumn

Autumn is a fantastic role model in Yarmer. She works incredibly hard in everything she does, and has been working particularly hard in RWInc. Autumn always behaves impeccably, is wonderfully helpful and kind to all those around her. We are so proud of you, Autumn

Keep up your hard work!



# Leas Foot Year One / Two

It's been an exciting week in Leas Foot! The children have absolutely loved taking part in Forest School—building cosy dens, toasting popcorn around the campfire, and cooking up a storm in the mud kitchen. As young historians, we travelled back in time to 1969 and created our own newspaper reports about Neil Armstrong's iconic moon landing.

In Science, we explored the fascinating world of microbes and experimented with different oils in preparation for making our own bath bombs. We're thinking carefully about how different scents can help us heal, relax, or re-energise!

Maths has had us crossing tens with confidence as we practised adding and subtracting, while in RE, we've been reflecting on the happy and sad moments of the Easter story through our own illustrations.

To top it all off, we had a very special treat—our class got to premiere our story time book to our parents before it is shared with 18 other schools across our Trust. What a proud and memorable moment!

## Home Learning

Spring 2 maths mat (4) + spellings

**ART:** For our upcoming art lessons, it would be great if each child can have an apron or old shirt to help protect their clothing. If possible, please send one in with your child that they can keep it at school for our creative projects—thank you!

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Library reading books due in: Thursday

Home learning due in: Thursday

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Last week's attendance was 85%  
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## Sedgewell Cove Three / Four

### This Week

Sedgewell Cove have had a fantastic week of brilliant learning and have also been enjoying the Spring sunshine!

We thoroughly enjoyed our Forest School session and have continued to role play, build dens, model with clay and we loved our popcorn treat cooked in the firepit area that has become a firm favourite with everyone!

As writers we are continuing to build our adventure story writing skills and have been loving seeing how our picture book 'Journey' is developing whilst we write beautiful sentences that could accompany it.

In Computing we have been using Google Drawings to create vector drawings and have been learning how to add, copy and paste shapes and then change the colour, size and move them around on the screen to create amazing pictures. Maybe the children could show you at home how they do this.

In RE we are continuing to learn about how special Easter is to Christians and how the resurrection plays such a vital role in shaping the beliefs and values of Christians. The children have been having incredibly curious and thought-provoking discussions about this which is a delight to see.

The highlight of the week was our visit to Kents Cavern where the children had a woodland trail, handled artefacts and were led through the ancient cave system learning about Stone Age life in Prehistoric Britain. They were a credit to us all and demonstrated such enthusiasm and interest about all they were being taught. It really brought to life their History learning this term.



### Home Learning

Home learning this year will consist of reading, spellings, maths, times tables and curriculum themed projects.

#### Reading

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#### Home Learning

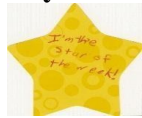
For home learning this week, I would like you to complete a reading comprehension about Stone Age animals.

Times tables are a crucial part of our learning, so please play 'Garage' games on TTRS at least 4 times a week to help you keep improving. You can also do a Soundcheck weekly to see how you're getting on

#### Spellings

Your child is bringing home a sample of words that we have been learning in school to allow you to support them child in learning words with that spelling rule. Children can practise learning the words as usual, they can write them out on their own, or maybe as part of a sentence. They can also write sentences that you dictate to them to help them embed the spellings.

**Star of the Week**



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Matias!

Matias is always incredibly hardworking, impeccably behaved and is a fantastic role model to others.

What a superstar! 😊



**Attendance**

Our attendance target is 98%

Last week's attendance was 86%

Let's try and improve next week!



# Butter Cove Four / Five

We have had a fantastic last few weeks in Butter Cove!

Last week, the Year 5 children all had a great time in Okehampton on residential. I was so proud of the resilience they all showed and kindness toward their friends and the members of staff there. They really did shine our school values, and I am so incredibly proud of everything they achieved. Year 4 also had a glowing report from Miss Peppiatt, who said they were incredibly well behaved, helpful and well-focused.

On Wednesday we had a brilliant time at Kents Cavern, where we were able to continue developing our learning on the Stone Age. The children had the opportunity to handle some artifacts, explore the caves as well as complete a woodland trail and answer some questions on stone age animals.



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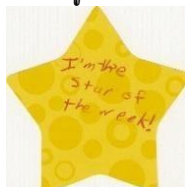
### Home Learning

This week, the children have been a Geography challenge, where they have to find the latitude and longitude of the Easter Eggs! TTRS is also a fundamental part of their home learning. Please encourage your child to log on weekly to continue practice their times tables.

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Carter

For his incredible engagement and behaviour in the last few weeks whilst on residential and on our school trip. You were such a fantastic role model for our school – keep it up!

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Last week's attendance was 90%  
Let's try and improve next week!

# Bantham Six

What a busy first week back after residential straight into SATs practice! Well done to everyone for applying themselves so well after such a busy week!

We had an amazing time in Okehampton on our residential and I am so proud of everyone's attitude and resilience! The instructors were so complimentary about the children and all said how polite they were and how they were really impressed that everyone had a go – well done Bantham (and Butter Cove children in my group!)

This week we have been practising for our SATs but we have also undertaken some absolutely fascinating learning! As scientists, we learned about the components of blood and all their different jobs and made our own blood using water, food colouring, cheerios and marshmallows before explaining what each part does.

As historians, we have learned about how tin from the south west may have contributed to the start of the Bronze Age in Europe and, considering the historical evidence, decided what we could use to help prove our arguments.

## Home Learning

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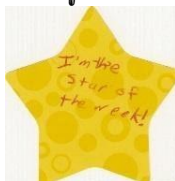
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### Home Learning

Please complete the fractions, decimals and percentages practise questions

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As we are off exploring Kent's Cavern this week and will miss out on Praise worship, I will be selecting two stars of the week for next week! I do want to say though how very proud I am of all of Bantham class for their amazing attitude and manners on our residential last week!

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Our attendance target is 98%  
Last week's attendance was 100%  
Bantham, well done!