

### Message from Head of School:

We have had a lot of fun today raising money for Children In Need. What fantastically bright and colourful clothes the children were wearing – it was a welcome bright spot in all of this rainy weather!

All of the classes had different Pudsey Bear activities to try including games, art and craft. We learnt about how the money is spent to help children all around the country.

It has been Anti Bullying Week and all classes have been talking about how we can reach out to stop bullying. Today in assembly we watched a short clip which encourages the children to tell trusted adults if they see or hear bullying happening.

Thank you to all those who took part in the school council art competition. Our winners were Orla, Esme P and Anna. We have put all the pictures on display to highlight our latest article – ‘All children have the right to a good quality education.’

The school council have been busy thinking about charity this week and we took a school-wide vote to sponsor a donkey for our Christmas Card Appeal. They felt this was a very worthwhile cause for a local charity – and fitted in well with the Christmas theme, and also reminded us of the very successful donkey derby in the summer. There are details on Class Dojo – and we will start this towards the end of November when you would normally start sending Christmas cards.

Finally, we will be saying a very sad ‘goodbye’ to Mrs Louise Hooper this term. She has worked in Pre-School for many years and helped to support many children with a positive, caring and cheerful approach. She will be leaving us to start a new job and we wish her every happiness and success in the future.

Warm regards,  
Mrs Mackey, Head of School



### Spotlight:

Our spotlight this week falls on Pudsey Bear. We are pleased to be able to help raise money for those less fortunate than ourselves.



## Certificate Winners and Hot Chocolate Awards

### Certificate Winners – 11<sup>th</sup> November 22

Challenge - Jenson - Rainbow Class

Challenge - Codi - Green Class

Challenge - Avie - Yellow Class

Confidence - Sophia - Blue Class

Confidence - Fern - Orange Class

Confidence - Lucy-Grace - Red Class

Community - Lydia - Purple Class

### Hot Chocolate Awards – 11<sup>th</sup> November 22

Rainbow Class – Freya

Green Class – Nate

Yellow Class – James

Blue Class – James

Orange Class – Adora

Red Class – Edward

Purple Class - Archie

### Free School Meals:

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 at state schools in England automatically get free school meals (UFSM). However, parents and guardians are encouraged to apply for free school meals when they enrol their child in school, as this can help their child's school to attract additional 'pupil premium funding' to support learning.



From Year 3 onwards, children whose parents are getting any of the following are entitled to free school meals:

- \*Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400).
- \*Income Support (IS).
- \*Income-based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA).
- \*Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- \*The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.

\*Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

\*Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income as assessed by HMRC, that does not exceed £16,190).

\*Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment you get for a further 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).

\*School children living on their own (16-19 year olds) who receive a qualifying benefit in their own right can also get free school meals.

### How to apply:

Apply through the Devon Citizens Portal. This is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in you getting an instant decision. Alternatively, call the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

### Pre-School:

This week is World Nursery Rhyme Week and we have been singing lots of Nursery Rhymes and acting them out. Our story for the week has been Hickory Dickory Dock which is about an impatient mouse and the children have enjoyed this story.

We have made a lovely display for the Five Little Speckled Frogs rhyme and the children counted the speckles on their frogs up to 5. We have also been busy making currant buns as one of their favourite rhymes is Five Currant Buns in a Baker's Shop.

The children have been mark making in the foam, forming letters of their names and making shapes with their fingers.

Today the children wore spotty clothes for Children in Need and enjoyed painting Pudsey Bears and making Pudsey Masks.



### School Uniform Reminders:

- ✓ Please ensure your child has a coat every day.
- ✓ Hair ornaments/bows must be school colours – or neutral colours.
- ✓ Children should be in completely black school shoes.
- ✓ Please put NAMES on all uniform.



## 1st CREDITON SCOUTS CHRISTMAS POST



Do you have Christmas cards to deliver locally?

1<sup>st</sup> CREDITON SCOUTS offer a postal service within CREDITON town and the villages of Coplestone and Newton St Cyres

Stamps cost £1 for 3, or 40p each

Our special stamps are on sale and cards can be posted at Coplestone Primary School during the Friday afternoon second hand uniform sales, and Coplestone Community Café on Thursday mornings, or ask Helen (Owain's Mum) in the playground.

Stamps / post boxes are also available at CREDITON Courier office, Evans Newsagents, Lords Meadow Leisure Centre and CREDITON Congregational Church, with additional post boxes (no stamps) at Morrisons and CREDITON Parish Church.

Last posting date: 13th December

Cards will be delivered by the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts  
17th - 21st December

*If you have any queries, or know of an elderly / housebound local resident who would like us to collect post from their home, please call Helen 07814 977693 or email [helen.olsson@middevonscouts.org.uk](mailto:helen.olsson@middevonscouts.org.uk)*



A little reminder that the 3<sup>rd</sup> payment towards Orange Class Residential to Bristol and Purple Class Residential to Skern Lodge is due today.

**Children In Need:**

Tally up at time of publication, a brilliant £148!! Thank you all for supporting this worthy cause.



## **November 2022**

23<sup>rd</sup> Red Class Swimmers to The Waie Inn 9.30-10.30am  
23<sup>rd</sup> Green Class Village Walk  
25<sup>th</sup> Celebration Assembly @ 9.10am  
30<sup>th</sup> Red Class Swimmers to The Waie Inn 9.30-10.30am  
30<sup>th</sup> Flu Immunisations Reception to Year 6 – more details to follow

## **December 2022**

2<sup>nd</sup> Non-Uniform Day for CPTA Christmas Hamper Donations  
2<sup>nd</sup> Yellow Class & Green Class theatre visit to see Hansel & Gretel  
7<sup>th</sup> Red Class Swimmers to The Waie Inn 9.30-10.30am  
7<sup>th</sup> Christmas Experience at Copplestone Church – details to follow  
8<sup>th</sup> Blue Class and Red Class trip to The Eden Project  
9<sup>th</sup> Celebration Assembly @ 9.10am  
9<sup>th</sup> Pre-School and Rainbow Class Nativity Performance @ 2pm  
w/c 12<sup>th</sup> XMAS JUMPER WEEK  
13<sup>th</sup> Purple Class trip to Exeter Cathedral and RAMM by train – details to follow  
13<sup>th</sup> KS1 Nativity Performance @ 2pm  
13<sup>th</sup> KS1 Nativity Performance @ 5pm  
14<sup>th</sup> Red Class Swimmers to The Waie Inn 9.30-10.30am \*\*\*SESSION TO REPLACE MISSED LESSON\*\*\*  
14<sup>th</sup> School Christmas Lunch  
14<sup>th</sup> KS2 Carol Concert @ 5pm \*\*\*PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE\*\*\*  
15<sup>th</sup> Rainbow Class trip to Crediton Library by train – details to follow  
**16<sup>th</sup> LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM 22**

## **January 2023**

### **3<sup>rd</sup> NON-Pupil Day**

4<sup>th</sup> All Pupils Return  
11<sup>th</sup> Purple Class Swimmers to The Waie Inn 9.30-10am  
13<sup>th</sup> Celebration Assembly @ 9.10am  
18<sup>th</sup> Purple Class Swimmers to The Waie Inn 9.30-10am  
20<sup>th</sup> Celebration Assembly @ 9.10am  
25<sup>th</sup> Purple Class Swimmers to The Waie Inn 9.30-10am  
27<sup>th</sup> Celebration Assembly @ 9.10am

## **February 2023**

1<sup>st</sup> Purple Class Swimmers to The Waie Inn 9.30-10am  
8<sup>th</sup> Purple Class Swimmers to The Waie Inn 9.30-10am  
8<sup>th</sup> Dogs Trust Visiting Blue Class & Orange Class  
**13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> HALF TERM**  
20<sup>th</sup> All Pupils Return  
22<sup>nd</sup> Purple Class Swimmers to The Waie Inn 9.30-10am

## **March 2023**

2<sup>nd</sup> WORLD BOOK DAY  
w/c 6<sup>th</sup> Parent/Teacher Consultations  
8<sup>th</sup> Red Class & Purple Class Trip to Exeter – details to follow  
27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> Purple Class Residential to Skern Lodge  
30<sup>th</sup> TEMPEST Photographers Class Vistas  
**31<sup>st</sup> LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM 23**

## **April 2023**

**17<sup>th</sup> NON-Pupil Day**  
18<sup>th</sup> All Pupils Return  
20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> Orange Class Residential to Bristol

