



2016-2017
FAMILY
NEWSLETTER



Friday 19th May 2017

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Dates for your Diary

May:

Comedy Night – Sun 28th
Half Term – Mon 29th to Fri 2nd June

Message from Jacqui Warne:

Dear Parents & Carers,

This is the last Family Newsletter before the half term holiday. Our final day is next Friday, 26th May, half term week is w/c 29th May 2017 and we look forward to welcoming pupils back to school on Monday 5th June.

Jubilee Challenge – Since our last newsletter, selected pupils and staff have taken part in the Jubilee Challenge. This involved camping out on Dartmoor overnight and then walking miles the following day. The Jubilee Challenge takes a lot of planning, organisation and commitment from everyone involved and our pupils had a really positive experience, one which they will always remember with pride. Having spoken to the pupils, they were very happy of their achievements – well done everyone!

Hydrotherapy Pool Re-Opening – Last Friday, various guests and representatives from local charitable trusts, foundations and organisations joined us to celebrate the grand re-opening of the pool. Two Exeter Chief players and Paralympian Triathlete, David Hill, officially cut the ribbon and 100 year old Geoff Bird, who masterminded the fundraising for the original pool build, was present to say a few words. Pupils from Ladybird and Rainbow classes happily showed everyone just how much the pool is used and enjoyed! The PTFA were also present, representing the many families and friends of Ellen Tinkham School who helped fundraise. Thank you everyone!

Ellen Tinkham School – Consultation to Increase Pupil Numbers – Please see the attached letter and brochure. Thank you.

On to other news from around the school:



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Message from Deb Ward:

Hollow Lane Summer Club

Can I please remind you that paperwork and payment for the Summer Club should be received by the 19th May to guarantee your place. As always, Summer Club is in demand and we do have a waiting list for places.

Hollow Lane Club – fees

If paying by BACS, you must include your child's name as a reference as otherwise I have no way of knowing which payment relates to which child. If you think a payment has been made without a reference, please speak to Deb Ward who can check this for you.

Wheelchair repairs

A reminder that any wheelchair repairs should be phoned through to Invacare on 0800 069 6216 unless a repair is needed during the day which will affect your child travelling on transport, then school will ring this repair through

A parent has a rain cover and sun canopy to fit a McLaren Major Buggy that is no longer needed. She would like to donate this to another parent. If you would be interested, can you please speak to Deb in Therapy (tel. 463823).

Please find below a link to Disabled Living Newsletter which features:-

- Bladder and Bowel UK Helplines
- Highlighting Recent Publications
- Celebratory Marquee and Kidz to Adultz South.
- New Companies - Disabled Living Supplier Directory
- Training at Disabled Living
 - Moving and Handling Advanced Techniques for Therapists
 - Moving & Handling Children
 - Our latest Workshop: Single Handed Care.
- Product Demonstrations at the Disabled Living Centre

To view May 2017 Newsletter please click [here](#).

To view a basic text version of this newsletter please click [here](#).

Jubilee challenge 5th-6th May 2017

We left school on Friday evening eager and excited. In group one we had Thomas and Harry with Sharon and Charlie. In group two we had Anthony, Anthony and Katie with Will and Richard. Emily was our team manager.



It was very very windy on Friday night when we put our last tents up but we did it!



It was too late by the time we had arrived to cook so we got a yummy take away. We were woken up very early (5am!) by loud music to get ready to walk. Will and Charlie cooked us a yummy breakfast and then we started walking with our shadows (Army cadets who helped us). Both teams happened to meet at the perfect time for lunch!

Group one came through the finish line at 12:20 and group two came through the finish line at 1:45! We are very proud of both groups. They walked well and did not complain about anything!





Anthony got a gold medal as it was his third time completing the challenge



Harry got a silver medal as it was his second time completing the challenge



Thomas got a silver medal as it was his second time completing the challenge



Anthony got a gold medal as it was his third time completing the challenge



Katie got a bronze medal as it was her first time completing the challenge

Exeter
Comedy
Grove

A Fundraising Spectacular
 The Ellen Tinkham School
 & FE College
South Africa Expedition

Headliner
Abi Roberts

Plus,






Tickets £10
 Mike Cox Steve Day MC Cerys Nelmes

Line Up Subject to Change

Sunday 28th May
 Doors Open 7pm - Show 8pm
 The Barnfield Theatre, Barnfield Road Exeter, EX1 1SN
 Tel: 01392 271808

In association with,


Tickets From - www.barnfieldtheatre.org.uk
 Exeter Comedy Grove

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Enjoy your weekend

J. Warne

Jacqui Warne
 Executive Head