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Dear Parents and Families,

Jubilee Celebration

We hope you all enjoyed our Jubilee Celebrations yesterday. We all had a lovely time celebrating the Queen's Jubilee and it was lovely to share with so many parents. There are photos of the afternoon on our [website](#).

Thank you to those of you that were able to come and help set up and serve refreshments, we appreciate your help. If you're looking for more Jubilee celebrations to take part in then head to the village square on Saturday 4th June and join in the festivities. Please see attached flyer with more details...

Year 6 Residential

Our year 6's had a great time last week on their [residential](#) taking part in all sorts of activities, such as canoeing, team building and even abseiling off Baggy Point! We are grateful to Mrs Hughes, Mrs Spear and Mrs Lane for giving up their time and helping to make the residential such good fun.

Two Rivers Federation Staffing Update

As part of the Federation our two schools will run with a revised structure, we hope to be able to run this from September. As part of the leadership team each school will have a Head of School with a teaching commitment, an inclusion lead and a share of the Executive Head teacher!

Last week we successfully appointed a Head of School and an Inclusion Lead for each school to start in September; we are excited to be able to work as a senior leadership team in order to further improve our school improvement work.

The Senior Leadership Team will be as follows:

Executive Head Teacher: Melanie Smallwood

Head of School: Sarah Rushworth (Langtree) with teaching commitment/jobshare

Head of School: Karen Lintin (Bishops Tawton) with teaching commitment/jobshare

Inclusion Lead (SENDco): Donna Clark (one day in each school)

Other recent changes across the schools have meant that more support staff roles have also become available and we are looking to recruit wisely in order to meet the needs of the Federation. The governors and myself are working hard to [recruit](#) and organise the staffing for both schools.

This week we say Goodbye to Louise Smale who has worked at the school since 2013 when she began as an MTA, moved to TA work and netball team leader, then part of the admin team. She has played a crucial role in supporting the pre-school, Governors and the school office along with organising all the amazing trips and visits for the children. We are very grateful for all of her hard work and wish her all the best in her new adventure!

PTFA

The Asda Green Token scheme is nearing its end at the end of the month. We are still holding onto 1st place currently but we could still do with your votes to keep us there and get the maximum amount given to the PTFA for us to use for your children and the school. Please keep voting weekly on your various devices during the half term, we really appreciate your support!

Thank you, your PTFA

School Arts Week

This year our annual whole school Arts Week will be focussing on clay with a theme of the Queens Jubilee. We are very excited to have arranged Tarka Pottery to lead clay workshops with children in years Reception to Year 6 on **Monday 13th June and Tuesday 14th June**. During the workshops the children will learn how to make a commemorative clay piece which will be glazed, fired and returned to school for the children to keep. In order for this exciting project to happen we are asking for parents to pay £7.50 which is payable via Eduspot. We are extremely grateful to the PTFA who have very kindly agreed to subsidise the cost of this event for the children. Please ensure that payments are made via Eduspot by Monday 13th June.

Please could all children bring in an old T shirt/oversized shirt to cover their school clothes during this workshop.

Warm Regards

Mrs Paul

Keeping safe online

With half term upon us, now is a good time to check our social media accounts and those of our children. Internet Matters have a good range of guides that help parents with family pairing (where available), privacy settings, reporting and much more. This is a helpful resource and you can find all the guides [HERE](#). SWGfL have some useful checklists to [download](#) and we have lots of information available on our school [website](#) to help keep our children safe online.

Half term events

Please have a look on our [website](#) for events that are on in North Devon.

Have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 13th June.

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Dates:

Friday 27th May: Last day of half term

Monday 13th June: Return to school

Tuesday 21st/28th June: No cabin club due to staff training

Thursday 23rd June: Taw pre-school Stay and Play 2-3pm

Thursday 21st July: Leavers assembly for the Yr6 parents (2pm)

Monday 25th July: Sports day (morning) with picnic lunch

Monday 25th July: Last day of term - No cabin club

