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# MONTGOMERY NEWS

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Montgomery Primary School | Friday 15th June 2018

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**At this time of year thoughts inevitably turn to the next academic year. We currently finalising class lists with careful consideration as discussed in the letter that went out last Friday and allocating staff accordingly. We will be letting both parents and children know their new classes in early July.**

**We are also looking forward to welcoming Mrs Thompson back next week and I would also like to thank those of you who have contacted me in regard to this. It is much appreciated.**

**Jason Edge  
Head of School**

## Challenge and Validation Day-Year 5

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Last Thursday, we had headteachers and senior leaders from three other schools to look at the quality of the provision in year 5 and to look at the in-year progress of the pupils. I am pleased to say that there was high praise for the teaching and progress of the pupils. Well done to all those involved!

## Sports Update

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A huge congratulations to both the year 3&4 and 5&6 tag rugby teams who took part in the school games championships at St Lukes High School. Fantastic effort from both teams scoring some amazing tries! Also well done to the year 3&4 who participated in the Primary World Cup representing MEXICO!! The boys played extremely well just missing out on the semi finals! Well done Monty!

## Year 6 Writing Moderation

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This week we had external advisors who were checking our Year 6 writing judgements as part of a statutory process so that assessments are deemed to be accurate as they form part of the SATs results. It is an extremely rigorous process I'm pleased to say that the outcome was very successful and a big well done to Mrs Henderson and Mr Chambers for their hard work.

## E-Safety

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E-safety is very much a hot topic in education at the minute, as technology becomes ever more sophisticated

and children are using it at a younger and younger age. While these advances are wonderful, they do also come with dangers if left unchecked. Therefore we are delivering e-safety lessons in the classrooms as part of our Computing curriculum and also each week in the newsletter we will give you a link to an e-safety website that you can look at and discuss with your child:

<http://saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

## Spare PE Kit

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Our stock of spare PE kit for those children who have forgotten it for their lessons is running low. If you have any good quality, unwanted PE kit of any size, please donate them via the school office. We are particularly low on plimsolls. Thank you.

## EYFS

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EYFS have entered a Scarecrow into the East Budleigh Scarecrow Festival! This is taking place this weekend and the children have made their own super scarecrow that will be on display with over 100 other scarecrows in the village of East Budleigh! All families are welcome to go along to the Festival which takes place this Saturday and Sunday 11-4pm. There is many activities including Bug Handling, a selection of Classic cars, Duck races, Birds of prey, Creation station and there will be Bacon baps and Cream teas.

-The staff in EYFS are part of a 'Light up Learning' project and have been implementing creating ways of improving all children's writing during their Continuous Provision time. Tamsin Robertson and Julie Adams came to visit EYFS this week and were really impressed by the engagement in writing of all the children and acknowledged the hard work of the staff!

-Crafty Cakes Competition Winner! Last half term the children in EYFS had a visit from Crafty Cakes and were invited to design a cake for their 30th birthday celebration. Beatrice Meylen (Daisy class) had the winning design! Bea and her family went to the Crafty cakes party during the half term and Bea was awarded with her design made into a real 2 tier cake! Bea was delighted and brought it back to share at school with her friends, well done Bea!

## Medical Appointments

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We appreciate that at times Hospital, Doctor and Dental appointments can not be made out of school hours. However, on the occasions that these appointments are made, could you please let the office know and provide medical evidence.

## Sports Day

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A separate letter has gone home for Sports Day. Due to staffing we have had to organise the KS2 Sports Day on the ISCA Y6 transition day which we know is not ideal.

This year we are also having a non-competitive section for Key Stage 2 in the morning and a competitive section in the afternoon. This is following feedback from some parents last year who felt the afternoon was a little rushed. It also gives parents a greater flexibility if they wish to see some. We will welcome feedback from you after this year's event.

## Dates for your diary

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**Summer term 1st half: 16th April- 25th May**

**Summer term 2nd half: 4th June- 27th July**

EYFS/ KS1 Sports Day: Wednesday 4th July

KS2 Sports Day: Wednesday 11th July

Provision date for written reports: Thursday 12th July

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