

School Matters

Friday 17th June 2022

From the Headteacher

June dates for your diary

Please see website for an up-to-date calendar

June Dates for your diary

Monday 20th June—Thursday 25th

Bikeability for year 5 children and some year 6

Tuesday 21st June

New reception class introductory session (10.45 am—12.00 pm)

Wednesday 22nd June

Y3 Multi-skills event 3.45-4.45 @ Sidmouth college

Thursday 23rd June

Ranger Trip for Years 1 & 2

Monday 27th all week

Sports 'WOW' week

Wednesday 29th June

KS1 Sports Day (info to follow)
PTFA Clothes Swap 3.30 pm (see poster)

Thursday 30th June

KS2 Sports Day (info to follow)
Induction evening at the King's school for y6 leavers attending the King's school. 6 pm—8 pm

July Dates for your diary

Monday 4th July

Display of y4 work at Bicton Arena

Wednesday 6th July

New reception class introductory session with option of lunch 10.45 am—11.50 am)

Parent drop in session with SENDCO and PSA in library 2.30 pm—3.30 pm

Thursday 7th July

Sidmouth College
Parent Q & A
For children joining from year 6

Friday 8th July

PFTA Summer Fete.

Thursday 12th July

Preschool & Reception. Picnic in the park

Friday 22nd July

Leavers' celebration &

We are concerned about the number of children climbing over fences and on walls at pick-up time on the upper site. These areas are out of bounds at all times during the school day for the risks that they impose and children will undoubtedly hurt themselves, if they were to fall.

Please also help us to look after school grounds and property.

Please use the following link to help us WIN £1,000 to re-stock our school library – if we are successful, you will receive a £100 National Book Token for yourself!

<https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

Please ensure children bring a sunhat with them to school and have also had sun lotion applied.

Closing date for Governors' parental survey Monday 20th June.

School link: <https://forms.gle/ghxgc18xRngCM5yi7>

Little Popples link : <https://forms.gle/o2MUrOfzVvdauN1P8>

Reception Class had an amazing trip to World of Country Life.

The children were so well behaved and the staff at World of Country Life commented on how polite and brilliant they were.



We saw a fabulous bird of prey display with a huge owl and a bald eagle.

We enjoyed ferret racing, goat walking, feeding the deer and handling rabbits and guinea pigs.



From the PTFA

SAVE THE DATE! Clothing swap! **Wednesday 29th June**, after school. More details to follow.

SUMMER FETE! Plans are underway for an amazing Summer Fete on **Friday 8th July** after school in the playground. We're after the best raffle prizes in Devon right now for our grand summer raffle; if you have a voucher you'd like to donate, please get in touch: terilouisemurphy@yahoo.com

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When in session, the number for Twilight and breakfast club is: 07513269489

The Children's Commissioner has been asked to undertake an Independent Review into family life.

This Review is a chance to really understand what 'family' means to the nation, what they feel about family, what support is already in place and what more can be done. By submitting your feedback, efforts can be made to create an environment to help all families and communities thrive.

The Children's Commissioner will go around the country to hear from all families, from every area and every background. This will be important in order to listen to communities and charities and to make sure the voices of children, parents, carers, local services, and communities are captured.

If you would like to have a say, please complete the survey below:

[Children's Commissioner Family Review – Have your say \(smartsurvey.co.uk\)](https://smartsurvey.co.uk)

Yesterday Years 5 and 6 carried out extremely important work in the village:



pulling Himalayan Balsam from the brook. Himalayan Balsam competes with our native plants for light, nutrients, pollinators and space, which leads to much reduced biodiversity.

It dies back in winter leaving our river banks bare and open to erosion.

Well done!



From the School Office

Summer is a very busy term with many trips, celebrations and preparations for our new starters and our year 6 leavers. Please can we ask parents to reply promptly to trip consents and sandwich requests as well as pay in a timely manner. Office staff are spending a significant amount of time 'chasing' responses. *Thank you*

Please note that Schoolcomms will be down for maintenance on 05/07/22 from 18:00 - midnight

PARENT DROP IN SESSION

Join us for a hot drink, biscuit and support.

Come and get to know other parents and relax.

Debbie Tollerfield; SENDCO
and

Cara Shepherd; Parent Support Advisor
will be around to answer questions and signpost to support available.

It's also a lovely opportunity to meet new people, so please do come and join us.

Our next session will run on Wednesday
July 6th 2022
2.30pm until 3.30pm
In the school library.

If you are unable to attend, and would like any signposting or support please do contact Cara on 07495 540415 or email cshepherd@sidmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk



Parent Q&A Drop in Session

Thursday July 7th, 2022 | 10am-11am
Sidmouth College, Community Entrance.

As a parent /carer of a child joining us in September you are invited to our parent drop in session, pop in anytime between 10am and 11am. This is being run by Cara Shepherd, Parent Support Advisor at Sidmouth College.

Come and grab a slice of cake and a hot drink :) We will be here to answer any questions you may have about the transition from Primary to Secondary school.

We will also have uniform and stationery sets available for a donation. We are looking forward to meeting you all!

This event is not replacing the parents information evening on the 5th July.

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PTFA Children's Clothes Swap

WEDNESDAY 29TH JUNE

THE SCHOOL HALL

3.30PM

- Bring a maximum of 10 clean items in excellent condition to the hall at 3.30pm
- Please check items beforehand for marks, tears, broken zips etc
- For each item you bring, take one in return

£2
ENTRY

