



## Autumn 2024 - Newsletter 3

### Messages From Mr Hitchcock...



I've had such a fantastic week! First off, I think I've managed to remember all the names of our new **Reception children**. I've spent quite a bit of time with them this week, singing songs, having stories and I even found myself caught up in a dinosaur adventure—though it ended with me being 'eaten'!

I've also been around the school a lot, checking in on how well our pupils have settled back into the new term. I'm really impressed with their **enthusiasm and engagement**, particularly when it comes to the **stories** they're learning and writing. The level of excitement is truly inspiring!

I also have two big thank yous! First, **99% of the uniform was spot on** during my check this week—the children are looking smart and uniform. **Please remember, trainers for PE and forest school also need to be plain black.**

Second, we are now ranked third in Devon for the number of parents who have signed up for the **'Smartphone-Free Childhood'** pledge, which is fantastic! You can read more about it [here](#), or head straight to [the pledge](#) and sign up today!

Please don't forget to watch the information videos for your child's class. If you missed it, please see here - <https://st-peters-school.org.uk/class-info/>

### ***Short notices***

**BUDLEIGH CARNIVAL** - the PTA has entered a walking entry for Budleigh Carnival on 5th October and we would love it if you and your children could get involved! Our theme will be 'our school library' so we are asking everyone to come dressed as their favourite book character! We will also be offering a prize for the best outfit in our entry so get creative! We will meet at Seachange from 5:30pm with judging at 6:30pm prompt! Please let us know if you would like to join us and hopefully raise some money for the school :)

**YEAR 6 HOODIES** - we need a Year 6 parent (or a few!) to organise the leavers hoodies for this year. Please let any of the Year 6 teachers (Mr Greenwood, Miss Pantling, Miss Pritchard) know if you would like to help. We used Proserve last year. Thanks!

**YEAR 6 LEAVERS** - the deadline for applying for your child's secondary school place (Year 7, 25') is 31st Oct 2024. Don't forget!



## Who's Who? Mrs Roxanne Billingham



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Mrs Roxanne Billingham - Mrs Roxanne Billingham's favourite teacher at school was Mr Young. He was kind, patient and always made learning fun. Mrs Billingham loves to teach reading, art and science. She likes to read autobiography books and her favourite children's books is *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* by C.S Lewis. Mrs Billingham spends most of her spare time with her family and friends. She enjoys spending time outdoors, taking her children to gymnastic classes and watching them play football. Her wish for schools would be better funding and smaller class sizes.

## Parent funding team

Hi all,

Excited to get started with another fun year of fundraising events, but before we do, firstly a massive thank you to everyone's involvement last year. We fundraised a whopping £19,868 for our school. On top of that our amazing local community donated a further £17,530.

Much of the funds have already gone to providing numerous school learning resources such as the Read Write Inc programme and other resources that the teaching staff rely on on a daily basis to make learning more engaging.

Generally the local community funding directly linked to school improvements such as the heat pump / air conditioning units in several of the classrooms, which will improve the classroom environment whilst also reducing the school's energy cost.

There are also numerous smaller less exciting items that we support, such as our wonderful PTA funded play equipment getting some wood preserve treatment to ensure it lasts for many more years.

So, passing on a big thank you from both the school staff and also your PTA committee for your involvement in some way, whether organising, helping, or generously supporting the events, our children have great fun whilst also helping to enhance our school.

This year we are looking to continue where we left off, with the usual popular events, kicking off with the weekly cake & preloved uniform sales on Fridays, involvement in the Budleigh Carnival, and a kids Movie Night & parent drinks on 18th October 2024. We will also be running a new School Lotto, more details to follow.

Through the year we ask each year group to run an event and the Movie Night is a Year 3 organised event, there will be some messaging on the Year WhatsApp group via your PTA Class Rep to organise this.

The annual AGM meeting will be during the first week back after half term, so please attend (online or in person) to show your support, find out how you can help out and see what the plans are for the rest of the year.

Another date for your diary is the Christmas Fayre which is booked in for the 6th December 2024.

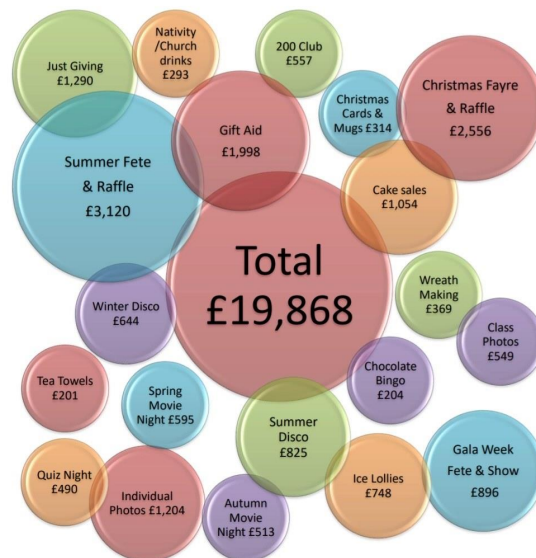
Fundraising this year will also include a Community Challenge campaign, which I hope we can all get involved with and support, the focus is to fundraise to subsidise school trips, make further improvements to the (not so temporary) temporary classroom buildings and ongoing teaching/learning resources.

Absolutely loved everyone's involvement last year, we generally say that if everyone can just give an hour of their time at some point in the year then we can collectively achieve great things and show our appreciation and support for our wonderful school.

Lets have a good one!

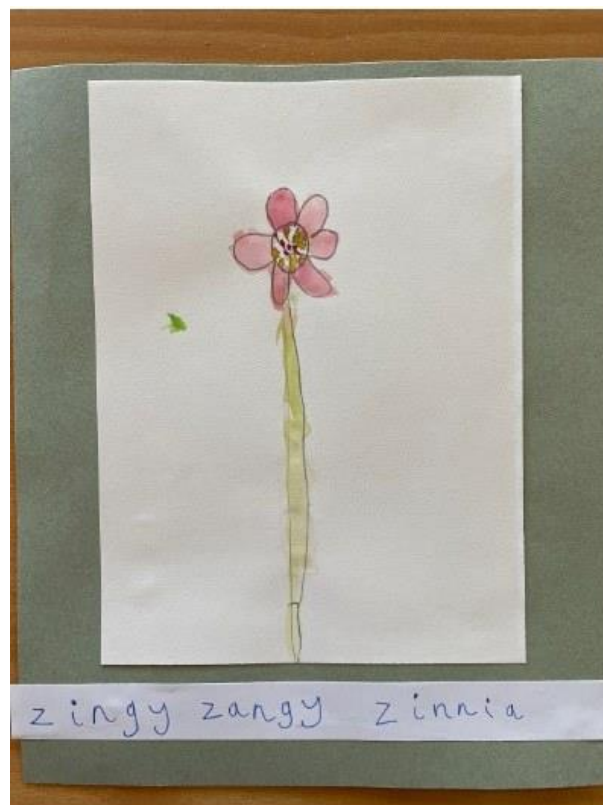
Thomas, Jess and the Parent Fundraising Team.

## Your PTA Fundraising 2023 – 24 Year



Thank you for all your efforts last year, the funds raised are going towards enhancing the school resources, so that the children have diverse and engaging school days, it really makes a difference.

**What's Been Happening In School...*Click on the photos to read more!***



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7 - We are delighted to introduce our new Eco Champions! They have jumped right in with enthusiasm and have already started planning for an impactful year ahead.

We're also thrilled to share that 'Plastic Free Budleigh' is now officially established. We'll be working closely with them to advance eco-friendly initiatives and make a positive difference together.

Plastic Free Budleigh together with Budleigh Lions are doing two litter picks this half term and would love it if families from the school were able to join:

- Saturday 28th September, 4-5pm, Budleigh Beach @ Lime Kiln with Marine Conservation Society for 'Great British Clean Up Week'
- Sunday 13th October, 2pm, starting at the Public Hall in Budleigh and at Budleigh Beach, Lime Kiln





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## Pupil Celebrations...

Well done to...Aria, Sam, Keoni, Louie



*11 - Well done to Aria who was awarded her purple belt at a recent martial arts grading!*



*12 - Well done to Sam who took part in the Exeter Chiefs experience day recently and met Immanuel Feyi Waboso!*







*15 - Well done to these three boys for their amazing maths work. They got onto year 3 maths!!!*



*16 - For amazing art work!*

## Coming Up In The School & Community...

### Quick Links...

- [Need to know pages](#)
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AND 10% OFF PURCHASES AT CARMEL

Tickets at [www.trybooking.com/uk/DVCY](http://www.trybooking.com/uk/DVCY)

### Budleigh Salterton Library – Literary Festival Activities

- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September. 10am.

Children's storytime in the library

Author Eva Le Bon will be reading and talking about her new book What a Little Star!



- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September. 2pm.

Bounce and Rhyme in the Little Marquee.

Please note that there will be no Bounce and Rhyme in the library on Friday morning this week.

- Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September. 11 am.

Children's storytime in the library.

Author Catherine Hamson and artist Penny Silverthorne will be reading from and talking about their new book Watch out! Watch out! They will also be running a short art session.



All of our events are free – no need to book, just turn up!



# HOLIDAY CAMP

ST PETER'S PREP SCHOOL

**OCTOBER HALF TERM**  
28/10 - 01/11

UNRIVALED ACTIVITIES & ADVENTURE

Available to all local children aged 3 - 12



## Little Yogis Halloween Event

Monday 28th October  
9.45-10.30am / 10.45-11.30am  
East Budleigh Village Hall



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5-14 YEARS OLD

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EXTENDED: £25.00

Times  
STANDARD: 8.45AM-3.30PM  
EXTENDED: 8.00AM-5.30PM

## Beacon Primary School

1 Beacon Place, Exmouth,  
Devon, EX8 2SR

## October Half Term

Tuesday 29th of September  
Wednesday 30th September  
Thursday 31st of September

## Booking Link

<https://www.primary-sports.co.uk/events/2024/10/29/the-beacon-primary-school-october-half-term-camp-2024>

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Approved



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