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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a good Easter break and it's great to have everyone back in school for the summer term. It is going to be a busy half term and there is the usual bank holiday approaching within an additional one this year because of the King's Coronation.

We will be celebrating the Coronation in school on Thursday 4th May in departments. Everyone is encouraged to wear red, white and blue on the day and the celebrations will be in the afternoon. Classes will be in touch to give you more details.

Unfortunately, the pay talks with teaching unions have not yet been resolved so there are now more strike days planned. I've sent out a separate email regarding the impact of the upcoming strikes and details are also included in the newsletter. Please check to see if your child's class is affected by this latest round of industrial action.

I'm delighted to have been invited to the opening of the Changing Spaces facility at Croyde Beach today. One of our pupils and family have been instrumental in the development of this it will be a huge help in making the beach and surfing accessible to all. A huge well done to all involved!

Thanks for your support,

Stuart

Need to report your child's absence?

Just a reminder when you're reporting an absence…

Call us on: 01271 342 423 (Press Option 1)

Our Attendance Officers monitor the absence line regularly throughout the day.

Thank you in advance.

Coronation of King Charles III

An **extra bank holiday** has been announced to allow people to celebrate the coronation of **King Charles III**

The bank holiday will take place on **Monday, 8 May 2023**, two days after the Coronation Ceremony at Westminster Abbey.

This means that **school will be closed to students and staff on this day** so please add this date to your diaries if you haven't already. Thank you.

Virtual Balloon Race

Only £3

Pathfield Parent Teacher and Friends Association has entered a fun EcoRacing Virtual Balloon Race to raise money for the PTFA. The idea is for everyone to buy a balloon for £3 which will then be entered into the race on behalf of Pathfield and competes against other schools and charities to win the prize pot of up to £500. There will be smaller individual cash prizes for the furthest travelling Pathfield balloons! EcoRacing is completely virtual so no damage is caused to the environment. Each race uses real-time weather data to create the conditions which will affect how far your balloon will travel, and you'll be able to track your virtual balloon on Google maps and cheer it on — you can even decorate and choose its shape if you want to. The race launches from Chicago on Monday 1st May 2023. It will last for 7 days, and the balloon that flies the furthest during that time will be the winner. If you would like to join in the fun and raise money for school visit https:// ecoracing.co/cause/pathfield-parent-teacher-friends-association-2416/ to enter a balloon and support this unusual and entertaining fundraiser.

The Student News

The Sixth Form Snack Trolley

Connor has been working very hard this week with some support to make cupcakes, cookies and flapjacks. These delicious snacks have been sold to staff at the school this week.

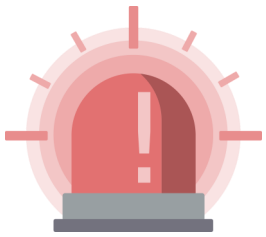
Well done Connor!

School Clean-up

This week at Pathfield, Leighton, Tiffany, James and Owen volunteered to help tidy up the school grounds using K2's newly purchased litter pickers.

Well done Leighton, Tiffany, James and Owen !

Emergency Alerts



On **Sunday 23rd April** the UK Government is sending out a **tester alert** to everyone's phone or tablet.

The Emergency Alerts are a UK government service that will warn you if there's a danger to life nearby. **In an emergency, your mobile phone or tablet will receive an alert** with advice about how to stay safe. The government does not need to know your phone number or location to send you an alert.

Although **Sunday will be a test**, an alert could be sent any anytime regarding: severe flooding, fires & extreme water etc… government departments, agencies and public bodies that deal with emergencies.

So just a friendly reminder, that your phone will react to this tester alert if it's a supported device.

Visit: About Emergency Alerts - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) to find out more.

Thank you.

Reminder: you will **need** your **ID** to vote from **4th May 2023** onwards

Voter ID

From 4 May 2023, voters in England will need to show photo ID to vote at polling stations in some elections.

This will apply to:

- Local elections
- Police and Crime Commissioner elections
- UK parliamentary by-elections
- Recall petitions

From October 2023 it will also apply to UK General elections.

NORTH DEVON GET OUTDOORS CALENDAR: APRIL 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 SEED SWAP @ BRAUNTON COUNTRYSIDE CENTRE
2 INSTOW BEACH CLEAN WITH PLASTIC FREE NORTH DEVON	3 WELLY WALK @ RHS ROSEMOOR	4 RIVER TRUST WORKSHOP @ BRAUNTON COUNTRYSIDE CENTRE	5 ADAPTATION IN ANIMALS @ BRAUNTON COUNTRYSIDE CENTRE	6 VISIT YEO VALLEY COMMUNITY WOODLAND	7 GIANT EASTER EGG HUNT @ RHS ROSEMOOR (1-16TH)	8 FIND EASTER CHICKS @ CLOVELLY VILLAGE
9 FREMINGTON EASTER TRAIL	10 APPLEDORE ADVENTURE CLUB @ SKERN LODGE (3-14TH)	11 GIANT BUBBLES @ RHS ROSEMOOR (6-11TH)	12 BARNSTAPLE INFLATABLE FUN PARK @ ROCK PARK	13 BEE WALK @ BRAUNTON COUNTRYSIDE CENTRE	14 EASTER EGG HUNT @ ARLINGTON NATIONAL TRUST (1-15TH)	15 NATURE CONNECTION WALK @ BRAUNTON COUNTRYSIDE CENTRE
16 THE GREAT WOOL WEEKEND @ RHS ROSEMOOR	17 VISIT RHS ROSEMOOR	18 GO GEOCACHING	19 VISIT TAPELEY PARK	20 MAKE A PLEDGE FOR NATURE WITH THE NORTH DEVON BIOSPHERE	21 DIY BEACH CLEAN	22 CELEBRATE EARTH DAY 2023
23 BIKE RIDE ON THE TARKA TRAIL	24 GO ROCKPOOLING AT CROYDE BEACH	25 VISIT MARWOOD HILL GARDENS	26 TAKE A WALK AT BRAUNTON BURROWS	27 VISIT ARLINGTON COURT NATIONAL TRUST	28 PAY A VISIT TO CLOVELLY	29 COLOUR BOMB @ THE BEAR TRAIL CULLUMPTON

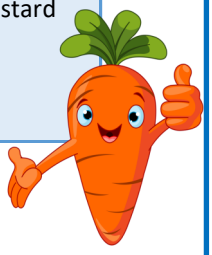
*If you're running an outdoor event in Devon this year, let us know via email so that we can add it to our calendar: theminigardenersclub@gmail.com

THE MINI GARDENERS CLUB

The Lunch Menu (Blue Week)

w/c – 24/04/2023

Day of the Week	Main	Dessert
Monday 24th April	Beef Burgers Vegetarian Burgers Served With Potato Wedges and Baked Beans	Summer Crumble With Custard Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Tuesday 25th April	Barbeque Chicken Cheese and Onion Pie Served With Creamed Potatoes, Peas and Cauliflower	Chocolate and Beetroot Sponge with Custard Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Wednesday 26th April	Roast Pork and Apple Sauce Vegetable Roast Roast Potatoes Served With Green Beans and Swede	Fresh Fruit Salad Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Thursday 27th April	Sweet and Sour Pork With Noodles Jacket Potato and Baked Beans Served With Mixed Vegetables	Cookies and Custard Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Friday 28th April	Salmon Bites Cheese Wheels	Apple Shortbread with Custard Yoghurt



Just a reminder that we are a Nut Free School!

We ask for parents/carers help in making appropriate choices for their children's snacks and lunches. Please do not bring to school anything that includes nuts as we have a number of children and staff who have severe nut allergies. This includes chocolate spreads, e.g. Nutella.

Thank you for keeping our school safe.

Pathfield School Calendar 22,23 & 24

School Holidays | Occasional Days (no school) | Training Days (no school) | Weekends | Bank Holidays

	Sep-22				Oct-22					Nov-22				
Monday		5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28
Tuesday		6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29
Wednesday		7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30
Thursday	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	
Friday	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	
Saturday	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26	
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