

**Severn Beach  
Primary School**  
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and make it happen!*

Severn Beach Primary School - Newsletter 2 - 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018

## Dream Big. Challenge Ourselves. Make it happen!

I talk to the children daily about our school motto/ key message and what it means to us. The children have responded really well and are challenging themselves in everything they do. They have also been learning about how to keep going even when our tasks are a bit harder because that is how we 'make it happen'.

**Maths** is a big focus for us as a school at the moment. Please see the poster at the end of our newsletter for some simple tips on how to help. The most important thing to remember is to be positive about Maths. Some of us might have struggled with Maths at school (perhaps we still do) but it is really beneficial for our children to give them positive Maths vibes! It is such an important skill!

**TEAM**  
Together  
Everyone  
Achieves  
More



The children have been learning about the value of teamwork this week. They are demonstrating this in everything they do - even our youngest children in Kingfishers Class have been working as a strong team to tidy up their classroom. Perhaps you can talk to your child about every time they work as part of a team at home. Do you all do the shopping together for example?

Thank you, Mrs Adams.



We have harvested food from our fabulous school garden. Kerry cooked the beans and we enjoyed eating them on Wednesday in our roast dinner.



### Coats

As the weather is becoming a little more Autumnal, please can you ensure that your child wears a waterproof coat to school every day. Thank you.



### Names

Please can you check that everything your child brings and wears to school has their name in it. This make returning lost items much easier.

### Jeans for Genes Day

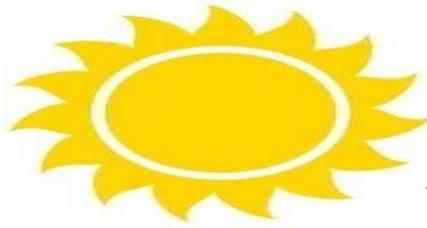
A very big thank you to everyone for wearing Jeans to school on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September and for your generous contributions. We raised a total of £89 for this fantastic charity which I'm sure will be very much appreciated.

### Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have one vacancy for a Parent Governor. Parents perform a vital role on governing bodies. The most important qualities for being a governor are enthusiasm, commitment and an interest in education. You don't need teaching experience, but it's useful to bring skills from other areas of your life. If you would be interested in standing for election please pop in to the school office to speak to Mrs Kingston and Mrs Adams. We will then put you in touch with our Chair of Governors, Rhona Allgood.

### Important dates for your diary - Term 1

- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September - PTA Fun Run - after school on the field.
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. 5pm - 6:30pm. Meeting for Year 6 parents only. Information about KS2 Sats and residential week will be shared.
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October - individual photos with Colorfoto.
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October (not Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September as previously advertised). 'Macmillan Cake Sale' from 3pm in the hall or playground. Please can your child bring a donation of cakes to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October. Please come along and buy a little treat and raise money for a good cause.
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October. Parents' Evening. You will receive information about making an appointment shortly.
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October. Harvest Assembly for the whole school and parents at 2pm in the hall.



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Help your child with

# maths

## I spy

...make a game of spotting shape and patterns in real life

## Get tools

...make tools like rulers, weighing scales, calculators and measuring tapes easily accessible around the house.

## Use games

...encourage games such as card games or board games that involve counting or patterns.

## Cook up a storm

...use measuring out ingredients to reinforce maths skills.

## Ask questions

...ask questions comparing real life things. Which do you think is.... the tallest, the smallest, the heaviest, the longest, the fastest, the most expensive?

## Talk about it

...find out what skills are being taught in maths lessons and for homework. Be sure to ask about how answers were worked out!

## Go online

...look online & in app stores for appropriate number and problem-solving games.

## Out and about

When shopping count up the shopping and count out change together.

## Involve maths in everyday life.

Money, cooking, music, computers, art, construction etc...  
in any real life situation!

Stars this week:  
Charlie Garland,  
Dexter Reeves,  
Mason-Lee Withers,  
Marcus Botha,  
Chloe Biggs, Marie  
Larkin, Alfie Low,  
Cora-Marie Hogan

### Attendance

I have promised the children that if every class has attendance of over our school target of 97% they will be given 5 minutes of extra playtime on a Friday. We didn't manage in all classes this week but we're hoping everyone is in school **on time and every day** much more.

Kingfishers - 86.2%

Wagtails - 98.29%

Sandpipers - 98.32%

Oystercatchers - 96.97%

# Photos from our first 3 weeks this year...

Together Everyone Achieves More!



At Severn Beach Primary School we are a strong team!  
Remember:

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