

TIMBERSCOMBE C OF E FIRST SCHOOL

Nurturing our unique acorns, for the infinite possibilities of the mighty oaks they shall become.

Inspired by John 10:10, Gideon 6:11 and Corinthians 13:4



Moorland Federation



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Head Teacher's Blog

Dear Parents and Carers, We have arrived at the half term already, I can't believe it has come around so quickly. I think this break is really important, the pace of change during the pandemic has been extraordinary and when 'in the thick' of rapid change our adrenalin can kick in and we find reserves we never knew we had, but now as we approach a more positive change period that doesn't require us to operate at the same level of anxiety, we may find our adrenalin begins to wane and our bodies finally want the rest they deserve. I know many of you won't get a break over the half term, but if you can, do. It's time we were kind on ourselves a little. The children need this break and this rest too. We can think children are hugely resilient, and they are remarkable, but they are still growing, their brains are still developing, they need the downtime. We are so proud of them and all they have achieved, yet again they have delighted us in their progress since returning to school. Be proud and if you can enjoy the week together, enjoy the simple things again.

Change was another feature of communications this week for the Moorland Federation. The leadership structural change has been forged with a hope for a stronger and united group coming together to strategically operate in a manner to positively impact upon the children in all five of our federation schools. If you have questions please talk to us, I am a governor as a Head teacher, Paul James is our staff governor and Helen Jenkinson is our new Chair of Governors.

In other news, Ryan Bosley has kindly offered (weather permitting) to have a go at clearing our allotment area, please let me know if you want to help and can spare sometime, Ryan may appreciate the man power. Thank you Ryan— we won't hold you to it as best laid plans can change— but thank you already for the offer!!

Finally, don't forget to send in your recipes for the kitchen staff's book that they are creating across both schools— lockdown recipes—but now we can have the half term out of lockdown treats chapter! I am also looking for children to tell me about their books so we can add a weekly/ fortnightly book review between the two schools. If the children write any poems, prayers or stories please let me have a copy—they might make the news! Happy half term to you all, Mrs Naomi Philp

Our school is about kindness, caring for others, ourselves, and our world.

Our school values our faith, our location, our community and most of all each other.

Little Oaks News

This week we have continued our Africa theme with a focus of 'going on safari'. The children have enjoyed finding out about animals from Africa. They have been preparing for a safari by packing their backpack with all the things they may need! We have also been thinking about how life is different for children living in an African village compared to living here.

We all hope you have a lovely half term break and look forward to seeing you again on Tuesday 8th June.



Eco NEWS

Did you know that Tesco in Minehead now has a recycling point for soft plastics such as: **bread bags; fruit and veg packaging; crisp packets; salad bags; baby and pet food pouches.** Once collected, the old soft plastic is sent for recycling where it is washed, sorted and processed before being turned into new packaging. It will be used o pack items such as food, household and beauty products.



IMPORTANT COVID INFORMATION

If you or anybody in your household tests positive for Covid-19 during the half term break, it is extremely important that you inform Mrs Philp by text on 07734960558.

Mrs Philp will then call you back to ascertain details.

Please do not leave voicemails

Thank you

Key Dates—*subject to the government road map*

28.05.21—last day of half term
 07.06.21—Inset Day
 16.06.21–18.06.21—Y4 Pinkery Residential
 21.06.21—Road Map Step 4
 25.06.21—Y4 pm visit to MMS
 29.06.21—18.30 Y4 Parents Google Meet with MMS
 01.07.21—Whole School Beach Day
02.07.21—Outreach Team Drop In
 07.07.21—Whole School Move Up Day (Y4 at MMS)
 13.07.21—Sports Day (Dunster) From 1.30 for parents
 14.07.21—Reserve Date for Sports Day
 14.07.21—Teddy Bear's Picnic
 23.07.21—Leavers Service and Last day of term
 02.09.21 & 03.09.21—Inset Days
 06.09.21—Back to school 2021-2022

An Extract from Thought for the Week

Ed Gregory

Director of Education, Diocese of Bath and Wells

Part of lockdown easing has been the return of the hug. As with all issues around the pandemic, responses are often varied or mixed, some are delighted that hugging is back whilst others have been quite happy to keep socially distanced!

Another word for hug is embrace. We have all had to adapt, in many ways, during these times of lockdown, some things we have needed to do, some things we have really embraced because they have been so beneficial. As lockdown eases further what will you embrace as we move forward? Perhaps something that you have had to let go of during the pandemic and you can't wait to pick it up again as many clubs, activities and events restart? Perhaps something from the lockdown period that you have found really helpful and will keep holding on to? Perhaps, as we emerge from lockdown it is time to embrace something new – maybe a commitment to something different, a stand for social justice or action in response to the climate crisis?

Dear God

Please help me to embrace change

To hold on to what is good, what is helpful, what is true

To let go of what is hurtful, harmful or unhelpful

Please help me with wisdom to know which is which

Amen

Safeguarding

childline

ONLINE, ON THE PHONE, ANYTIME

Childline Toolbox is part of the Childline website and has games, advice and guidance for children and young people on all sorts of things from bullying through to exam stress. It includes online tools for children and young people.

However you're feeling, it can be great to express yourself and do things you enjoy. Take your mind off things with [games](#), advice from our [videos](#) or find new ways to handle your emotions. And all in your handy toolbox: <https://www.childline.org.uk/toolbox/>



Our Pentecost Service

Our Star of the week is Aurora, who has a wonderful attitude towards her learning and she's making great progress in all areas because of it! Harry also gets a Star of the Week for his awesome story writing.

Class 1 An Achievement Award this week for Amelia For her excellent sketch of a cat in our Art lesson. Olivia gets a Kindness Award for being kind and supportive in the playground.

Class 2 Connor gets the Achievement Award for working so hard on his spellings. The class 2 Kindness Award goes to Leo for looking after Harry with his Fractured wrist.



Growth Mindset Weekly

"You'll never be bored when you try smething new. There's really no limit to what you can do" Dr Seuss

Brain Boosters... part one



Our lives seem to be getting busier by the minute, as the restrictions are eased and many of us struggle to find the time for ourselves to either meditate or to just 'be'.

So here are what I call 'brain boosters', which are as effective as a meditation if you are focusing on the one task at a time.

When you wake, take three deep breaths, this will have the double benefit of quietening your mind and giving your brain an oxygen boost to get out of bed.



We don't all have time for Yoga in the morning, but as you get out of bed, breathe in and stretch your hands to towards the ceiling and as you breathe out lean forward to touch your toes.

Make your bed! try to be completely engaged in the activity, putting all your attention into folding the sheets - your first achievement for the day!

As you take a shower, spend a minute or two just feeling the water on your skin, notice the temperature, the pressure and the sounds as it falls.

As you get dressed in the morning, take a second to pay attention to the way your clothes feel on your skin, the colours and the textures. I'll share more after the half term!

Enjoy xxx

PETER RABBIT 2 – Film

Saturday, 5th June 2021 - 2:30pm

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

TICKETS: £5 (Regal Film Society members, Friends of the Regal, full-time students/unemployed £3). Not available on line.

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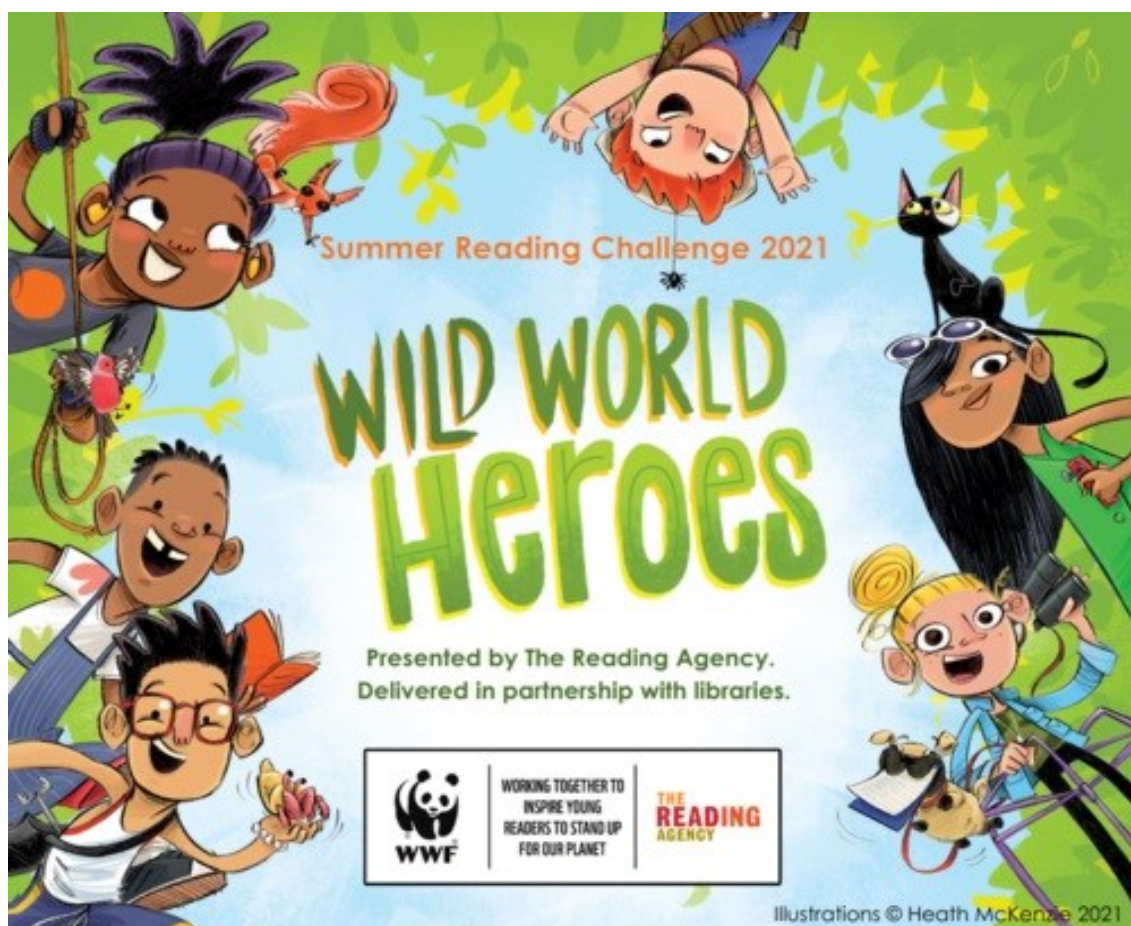
Join in the fun by entering the
homemade bunny ears competition.



Limited tickets due to covid restrictions.



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RABBIT 2



We're so excited to reveal the theme for the Summer Reading Challenge 2021!

Get ready for **Wild World Heroes**, arriving **online** and in your **local library** this summer.

Pack your bags, we're headed for Wilderville!

It's a pretty cool place, but there are lots of things that the Wild World Heroes can do to make their town even better for the people and animals that live there.

Join the Wild World Heroes for the Summer Reading Challenge and discover how you can make a difference to the environment too.

We're teaming up with **WWF** for a very special nature-themed Challenge that will inspire you to stand up for the planet!

Wild World Heroes will feature amazing books, awesome rewards, and plenty of ideas for taking care of our environment.

Are you excited to join the **#WildWorldHeroes** this summer?

Keep an eye on our [blog](#) for all the latest Summer Reading Challenge news

On the Summer Reading Challenge website you can find:

Find a Read - Book Sorter - Reading Club

Chat - Activities - News - Games