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Pied Piper Performance

Last week, Year 3 and Year 4 children treated us to wonderful, wonderful play. Without doubt, they all rose to the occasion. The performance was slick and humorous but with some very important messages delivered; you should, indeed, keep your promises.

The Year 3 children formed our choir but not only did they sing, there were actions to perform and choral speaking sections to join in. They provided the emphasis on many parts of the play which got the message across. I know there are lots who are looking forward to taking the lead next year and the play, of nearly an hour long, was a big step up from what the children had performed in Year 2. Well done.

As always, the older Year 4 children took the acting parts and all were involved. Some had spoken parts, some sang solos and one child opted to work the music system; he was better than many an adult. It was excellent team work and what shone through in these performances was the enjoyment and the confidence with which the children acted. Our school values shone through. There was **trust** from adults and children (and also in the play's message about keeping promises); **friendships** were strong; we **discovered** many things we did not know about the children (some very pleasing shocks I might add) and the play was brilliantly **successful**. As parents you should be very proud of your children. Our concerts raised £128.91 for the Children's Hospice in the South West. Thank you.



Dates for your diary

Term Dates 2016 - 17

Term 5 Mon 24 April – Fri 26 May 2017

Term 6 Mon 5 June – Fri 21 July 2017

Inset days, School closed

Day 5 – Monday 10th July

TERM 5

Mon 24 April – Term 5 begins

Mon 1 May – Bank Holiday, school closed

Mon 8 May – Year 6 SATs week

Fri 12 May – School Disco

- Reception, Y1 & Y2 is at 3:30 – 4:30;

- Year 3 to Year 6 is at 4:45 – 6pm

Mon 15 May – Year 2 SATs fortnight (taken in small groups over the last two weeks)

Fri 26 May - Last day of Term 5

TERM 6

Sat 24 June – SUMMER FAIR from mid-day

Thurs 29 June – Colston Hall concert for choir 7:30pm

Fri 14 July – Moving Up Day and school reports home

Fri 21 July – Last day of school year

Term Dates for next year, 2017 - 18

Term 1 Mon 4 Sept – Fri 20 Oct 2017

Term 2 Mon 30 Oct – Fri 15 Dec 2017

Term 3 Tues 2 Jan – Fri 9 Feb 2018

Term 4 Mon 19 Feb – Fri 23 March 2018

Term 5 Mon 9 April – Fri 25 May 2018

Term 6 Mon 4 June – Tues 24 July 2018



Help needed for our school library

We have a wonderful library in school now which all children from Year 1 to Year 6 use each week. They love borrowing the non-fiction books and are taking good care of them. However, filling the books after use and keeping the library tidy is an uphill matter. Our Year 5 librarians would love some help. If you are able to come in for an hour or so each week or fortnight, that would be a tremendous help. You would need to have a DBS check but school will sort this. Have a think over the holidays, then call in at the school office or see Mrs Young, if you can help out.



We definitely need some help!

Enterprise Week

This has been an excellent week, which has culminated in today's sale this afternoon. Of course, at this stage, we are unable to tell you how much has been raised for Comic Relief and the Lawrence Weston City Farm but there is every possibility we will have beaten last year's £800.

The children have been really busy putting together business plans, calculating possible profits, advertising and making their products. Some of the items sold were friendship bracelets, oatly boats, plant pots, peg pals, mindfulness colouring books, published stories, book marks, pokemon bouncy balls, playdoh and balloon buddies.

On Monday, at the launch, the whole school were entranced with the media adverts that each class had created. You can view some of these on twitter [@NovaPrimary](#). They are amazing. The amount raised will be the first thing we communicate to you on our return to school after the Easter holidays.



Have a wonderful Easter and we'll see you all, back in school on Monday 24th April.



Hockey

Our hockey team took part in a Bristol tournament for Year 5 and 6 children, this week, and got through to the quarter finals. This is excellent, given that most of Team Nova are from Year 5. Mrs Wheeler, who trains the team, will want you all to continue in Year 6 and into secondary school. We'll make the final next year. Well done to:

Callum, Archie, Charlie, Elijah, David, Mia O, Mia G..... and Sam from Year 6.



Star writer

All our Year 6 children wrote short stories of no more than 500 words, to enter the national competition. You may even have seen or heard the TV and radio adverts for it. We were proud of all the children's efforts. The stories were from their imagination, and were incredibly varied.

We know that 131,000 children entered the competition and we heard, this week, that Anna is through to the last 5000. Congratulations Anna on this fantastic achievement. We made sure we all said 'well done' in Celebration assembly too.

