



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Celebrating the Queen's Jubilee

We are making plans to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee on Friday 27th May, the last day of term. We would like to hold a 'street party' event for the children at lunch time and as well as their usual lunch meal we would like to provide some extra treats. **We would be very grateful for a 50p contribution per child for this by this Friday (20th)**, so we can budget and plan the treats. The kitchen will be providing a Jubilee party picnic lunch which will include sandwiches, sausage rolls, pizza, cake and crudité's.

So that we can all gather on the field to eat lunch together, we would be grateful if the children could bring in picnic blankets or similar for the classes to sit on. These can be brought in on the morning of the 27th.

We would also like the children to dress in their finery as royals, or in red, white and blue as a mufti day.

Children are going to be able to enter a 'crown' competition where they can win prizes for the most creative crowns they can make. They can do this at home but we will also provide an opportunity in school so that all children get the chance to make a crown (children can choose their favourite to enter in the competition). These can also be brought in on the morning on the 27th. Many thanks for your support in making this a day to remember!

Sharpham seed day Years 3 and 4

This week Mountain Ash, Chestnut Tree and Oak Tree class have been given the exciting opportunity to visit the Sharpham Estate for a day. Each class has helped them set up a seed bank for wild flowers, taken part in relocating plant species to other parts of the estate and investigated local bat populations. The children will also be continuing to investigate the natural world around Sharpham. Children also cover a range of topics including taxonomy, plant life cycles, biodiversity and conservation

Worried About Video Games?

If you worry about the games your child plays or the scary headlines about video game addiction, ex-pupil Andy Robertson has written a book (Taming Gaming <https://www.taminggaming.com/book>) to help you guide your child to healthy gaming. You can look up any game on his Game Database (<https://www.taminggaming.com/home>) to get all you need to know in one place. Move from worry, guilt and fear, to positive gaming together.



PTA Cake Sale

Another amazing Cake Sale last week with very generous donations from Beech Tree, an impressive £119.75 was raised. It is the turn of Dove Tree Class this week. I would be so grateful if any of the Dove Tree children, parents or carers could bake or donate cakes for this week. If there are any parents or carers of Dove Tree that can help us at the tables please let me know (pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk), it's a great opportunity to support the fundraising efforts and the children love seeing their grown ups helping out! Please drop off your bakes and cakes in the morning, either at the front entrance with Rebecca or at the back entrance (we'll be at one of the tables on the back field). All cakes will be 50p (cash only), there will be tables set up at both entrances and we ask for you to not crowd the cakes and patiently wait your turns. Next week will be the turn of Chestnut Tree class so please get your best recipes at the ready!

Kind regards

Hilary Priest

Adverts – please note that the school is neither recommending nor supporting the adverts below. If you wish to advertise in our newsletter then please contact the school for details.





BIG BROTHER'S BABYSITTING

Babysitting @ £5 p/hr

Sensible 16 year old – saving up to go travelling after my GCSEs

Lives central Totnes – can bike to you – don't need a lift home

I have younger siblings and cousins – very happy to do bedtime stories etc

Jamie 07594 533614



TPS TASTER DAY FOR YEAR 5 STUDENTS

FRIDAY 24TH JUNE 2022

We are delighted to invite all current Year 5 students to a bespoke Taster Day at Totnes Progressive School on Friday 24th June 2022.

This will be a wonderful opportunity for your children to experience what studying at TPS would be like, meet other Year 5 students who are beginning to think about secondary education, and have a day of exciting lessons with TPS teachers.

We are aware that many families with children in Year 5 are starting to plan for their secondary education and want to offer you this opportunity of a taster day at TPS while there are still spaces available for September 2023.

As our class sizes are limited to 12 students, there will be limited spaces available for this day. Please could we ask everyone interested to get in touch with us by emailing Lotta at lotta@top-school.co.uk by Friday 27th May.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to our taster day, and connecting with prospective students and families!



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Help needed! English in Totnes need host families in Totnes and surrounding villages from 25th June to end of July 2022, for either:

- shared room- 2 students per room full board juniors (£161 per student per week, packed lunch) Totnes and surrounding villages or
 - single room 16-18 year old half board young adults (£140 per student per week) Totnes only.
- We are so pleased to be back in business after the pandemic but we need your help!
Contact Richard on 07468510892.

POWERS OF



May 19 @ 3pm
NEW LION BREWERY

3pm: Assemble at the New Lion Brewery.

3:30pm: Networking/open space to discuss the big questions!

5:30pm: Beer and pizza.

6:30pm: The Community of Dragons pitching sessions.

8:30pm: Music, friends, and more good times!

Who's pitching?



Ruth Rae
THE EDGY VEGGIE

Jon Rae
THE EDGY VEGGIE

Andrew Gilhespy
FRESH FLOUR

Simon Dyer
RESILIENT LIVES

Rob Hill
TOTNES BIKE HUB

Lizzie Woodall
TOTNES BIKE HUB

WE'RE LIKE
A FRACTAL

Small solutions in our local economy that can ripple out to inspire change in our bioregion and beyond! We're inspired by the Powers of 10, the Ray and Charles Eames film. Check it out, then bring your ideas to LEF10!

@REconomyCentre #CommunityofDragons