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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of a unique term with Spring in the air and a week of sunshine. There have been a few ups and downs along the way but there is a feeling of positivity across our team, from the children and from you all. Lots has been going on and more is to follow in the summer term. This newsletter is full of information so please take time to read it so you don't miss anything.

## **Congratulations!**

I'm sure you'd like to join with me to say a big congratulations to Mr Roberts and his partner. They recently welcomed a baby boy into their family. Kitt is strong and healthy and already keeping Mr Roberts up at night!! We've told him already it doesn't get any easier!

## **Gardener**

We are currently advertising for a school gardener to work with small groups of children and make our school environment look amazing. It is 4.5hr/week until October half term. Please go to the vacancies page of our website for more information.

## **Clubs**

A letter went out about clubs yesterday which will be starting in the second week back after Easter. The letter can be found on Class Dojo or Parent Pay. As clubs will be operated in bubbles, we have tried to ensure there is something on offer for every class. Sign up is via Microsoft Forms or Parent Pay depending on the club.

## **Hello Spring**

'Hello Spring' is being run over the Easter Holiday by Be Buckfastleigh. They will have activities each day - covid secure and within national guidelines. Week 1 is mostly self-guided activities while week 2 will be supervised outdoor play with equipment in the park. There will be a variety of free lunches available Tues-Fri in week 1 and Mon-Fri in week 2. This will include top quality take away packed lunches, freshly made meals, and a chip shop treat.

Click on the link to find out more...

<https://bebuckfastleigh.co.uk/2021/03/31/mid-week-news-31-march-2021/>

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## Bags 2 School

On 18<sup>th</sup> May, we will be collecting unwanted Belts, shoes, bags, clothes and accessories to raise money for FOBS (No bedding, curtains or soft toys please). Parents/carers (anyone) can drop off at school in bin bags or plastic bags and school will get paid by weight. If you are doing a clear out during Easter, please put the items aside and bring them in on 18<sup>th</sup> May. Further information will go out next term.

## Intra-School Handball

On Wednesday, all of KS2 took part in a Handball tournament. Children were put in teams based on their family groups of Sharp (green), Saddle (red), Rippon (blue) and Haytor (yellow). It was brilliant fun! We saw some great teamwork, competitiveness and sportsmanship. Well done to all the children.

## Contact Tracing in the holiday

We will be monitoring the admin email address over the Easter holiday. Please email us if your child has been attending school and tests positive over the holiday. Anyone who has had contact with a positive case at school may need to self-isolate. We will be calling families if advised to do so by Public Health England.

Over the last week, we have had no positive cases from staff or children at school. We are continuing to remain vigilant and careful in school to keep everyone safe.

## ...and finally

I would like to thank you for all your help and support over the last term. We have been inundated with positive messages from families and can't thank you enough for all you have done working with us and supporting your children over the last 12 weeks.

*Have a great Easter Holiday and take care,*

*Eddie Brown*

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