



# School Newsletter

**Friday 29th April**

## Welcome Back

We hope you enjoyed your Easter break and It is great to have all the children back in school as we look forward to exciting term ahead.

## Devon Virtual Gymnastics

Drake's Primary School took part in the Devon Virtual Gymnastics Competition. In the Bronze competition we had a pupil who achieved 3rd position. In the Silver competition we had a pupil who achieved 2nd position. In the Platinum competition a pupil was awarded 1st prize. A fantastic achievement from all those involved.



## Love my School Day

We are giving Drake's a little TLC and would like to invite parents to come into school between 2 – 5pm on Thursday 12th May, to help tidy and smarten up our school.

## Esafety News from Alan Mackenzie

### Huggy Wuggy

Just prior to the Easter break there was a lot of chatter (media/social media reports) about Huggy Wuggy, including from authorities such as the Police, in relation to concerning content on YouTube, YouTube Kids, Roblox and TikTok. If you're not aware, Huggy Wuggy is a blue, furry, sharp-toothed character from a 12+ horror-genre game called Poppy Playtime. Many of the concerns were in relation to a song that Huggy Wuggy sings about hugging and killing, however some of the information was misleading.

If this is something you have heard about you may find [THIS](#) article from Snopes useful which looks at the facts.

### Device Rules and Boundaries

I really like the idea of parents sitting down with their children and agreeing rules and boundaries in relation to new or current devices, set expectations of behaviour and much more. To help with this FOSI (The Family Online Safety Institute) have put together some really simple but wonderful agreement sheets for parents which you can download for free and send out to your parents [HERE](#).

## FULLY FUNDED online courses from GP Strategies

These courses are available to parents, and are self-directed short programmes completed through an online platform. Please see attached a full list of FREE courses available via GP Strategies. Further details can be accessed on their website <https://www.gpstl-apprenticeships.co.uk/adult-education-budget/course-list.shtml>

You can apply directly through the website, but it would be better if you contact Gavin at GP Strategies via [gallwright@gpstrategies.com](mailto:gallwright@gpstrategies.com) and go through him as he can answer any initial questions.

Important Dates	
Monday 9th May—Friday 13th May	KS2 SAT's Week
Thursday 12th May	Love my School Day
Monday 16th May—Wednesday 18th May	Year 6 Residential
Thursday 19th May	Year 6 Water Sports Day
	DSSP SEND Festival at ECC
Thursday 26th May	Spanish Day
	Platinum Jubilee - Tea Party
Friday 27th May	Last day of half term

## Psalm 56:3-4

When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?