

# PRIMARY EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER'S BULLETIN



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## Transition support



On Tuesday this week, the Year 7 pupils who went to East Worlington Primary School, returned there to talk to staff about how they were finding their first few weeks at the College.

This was the great idea of Debbie Tester at East Worlington, and it gave the pupils the chance to talk about their experiences to very familiar adults. It also demonstrated that even though they have moved on to the next phase of their education, the children still remain very much in the hearts and minds of their primary school. The pupils all enjoyed the visit- especially the cakes!

As a trust, we view ourselves as one family of schools, and although children move onwards and upwards, they are always welcome to visit their primary schools.

We hope to have more meetings like this during Year 7, and for the other trust primary schools to follow suit.

## This week:



Expanding the nurseries is taking up quite a bit of time at the moment. There is a lot of paperwork involved, including registering 'The NEST' (Nursery Excellence @St Thomas') with Ofsted for Lapford, running the consultation on lowering the age range at Lapford, analysing numbers of families interested in registering their children and recruiting staff.

Despite only increasing nursery places at Chulmleigh Primary School since September, the setting is proving so popular with families, that we are already having to recruit extra staff members to meet the recommended ratios.

Keeping with the nursery theme, I visited Winkleigh Primary School this week to have a look at their new nursery provision and setting and was really impressed. It's lovely meeting with other local headteachers and sharing thoughts and ideas.

I meet with all of our Heads of School individually each week, and then we meet as a team weekly as well. There is so much going on in each school, there is never a dull moment!

Thank you to everyone for your support as always, and I hope you enjoy the weekend.

Mrs Healey