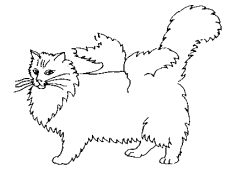


# Wiveliscombe Messenger



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## The encampment has gone

IT has been a very good summer for Kingsmead School.

After the best GCSE results ever, Friday September 8th saw the new teaching block at the back of the school opened by Alan Sutton, Chair of Governors.

In inviting him to perform the opening ceremony the Head, Geoff Tinker, thanked him for his many years of service to the school as a parent, governor and chair of the governing body.

In a brief speech Alan recalled the school's growth from 500 pupils in the 1970s to nearly 800 now.

As always, the governors and staff were looking for the best learning environment for their pupils and this new, state of the art, environmentally sensitive, sustainable building was a very pleasing replacement for the previous huddled encampment of 12 temporary classrooms.

He thanked the county council, Cllr Gloria Cawood in particular, ROK the builders and architect Mark Richmond.

He then cut the tape and the 150 guests were invited to view the facilities of this exceptional, superbly



equipped and spacious building.

Kingsmead has made a huge step into the future, with a building that many will envy for years to come!

### Apology

THE Messenger would like to apologise to Steven Membury and Richard McConnell for a mistake on the front cover of our August/September issue.

The photograph showed Steven showing local people what the Maundown roundhouses probably looked like, not Richard. We are sorry for any embarrassment or confusion caused.

Steven has kindly written an article, updating us on the Maundown finds, for this issue of the Messenger.

### Deadline for next issue

THE deadline for copy for the December/January issue is Thursday November 9th.

All material can be sent or delivered to Wiveliscombe House or sent by email to: messenger@wiveliscombe.com

Our aim is to ensure that copies of the Messenger are delivered and available to the community within a few days of publication. The December/January issue will be published on November 30th this year

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### MESSANGER EDITORIAL

READERS will notice that we now have a new strapline underneath our title 'Wiveliscombe Messenger' and the logo of Thomas Bessie, the Winged Cat of Wiveliscombe.

The Messenger is keen to inform and reflect life in all of the 10 Parishes - Wiveliscombe, Ashbrittle, Bathealton, Brompton Ralph, Chipstable, Clatworthy, Fitzhead, Huish Champflower, Milverton and Stawley.

So, please make sure that your village or settlement makes its views known, shares ideas and advertises events through over 2,000 copies of the Messenger which are distributed in the 10 Parishes area.

If you can help deliver the Messenger to your neighbours, please contact Pam Gaines who, with the Wiveliscombe Scouts, is now organising the whole of the Messenger delivery in the town and surrounding area. Thanks to Pam and her team for an efficient and seamless takeover in August.

Finally, please do not send or drop in any material for the Messenger to Kingsmead Community School; all material must be left at Wiveliscombe House or preferably emailed to messenger@wiveliscombe.com by the deadline given in the current issue of the paper.

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