



Dear Parents and Carers,

Summer Term 1 has now officially come to an end. We hope you all have a wonderful and restful half-term break. We're looking forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 2nd June.

There's lots to look forward to when we return, including bikeability for Year 6, a visit from a professional athlete, the Year 4 camp out, and much more!

Enjoy your break!

5T Class assembly

Thank you to the parents and carers of 5T who came to watch our assembly on Tuesday. The children loved making their news reports on natural disasters and we were glad we could share these with you. For those who missed it; 5T acted as News Reporters discussing facts and the impacts on two natural disasters. Hurricane Katrina that struck America in 2005 and the 2004 Boxing Day Tsunami. They worked as a team to create their own reports on the events. A massive well done to the whole class for your incredible effort.

Girls Ruby World Cup

The Women's Rugby World cup build-up has started! On Wednesday some of our Year 6 girls went to Crediton RFC to experience rugby in a fun and supportive environment. The girls worked on their passing, tackling, teamwork and played a few friendly matches. We also got to see the actual world cup! On Thursday 5th June they are heading to Sandy Park for a tournament and our feeling far more confident about their matches! The girls will also get the opportunity to meet other pupils who will be starting the same Secondary school in September!

This is what the girls thought of the day:

Andrea said "I enjoyed competing against other teams"

Hayda "It was great being together in a group for our school"

Samira "I loved sport and now rugby!"



Football League

Last week we had our final Football league matches for this academic year! The group have played 15 games over the past few months and finished 4th in their group. A special mention to Alfie Stirzaker for being our top goal scorer this year with an incredible 7 goals last Monday! Big thankyou to Miss Turner for spending hours with the team, organising the training sessions and coaching them at the games! They couldn't have done it without you!

This is what some of the boys thought about the league:

Archie "I liked beating other teams"

Ehren "I enjoyed playing football with my friends"

Reggie "I liked working as a team and I liked scoring goals!"

Newsletter Club

For the first time, Mrs Biddle and Mrs Barton are running a 'Newsletter Club' after school on a Tuesday (3.30-4.30pm). This will mean being mini journalists, working together to create a school newsletter. They will be involved in interviewing people in school and creating the content to go inside the newsletter to share lots about our amazing school. There are still some spaces in this club - please email admin if your child is in Year 3,4,5 or 6 and would like to join the journalist team!

Athlete Visit - Tuesday 3rd June

As you will be aware from the previous newsletter, we are excited to have Lele Nairne, a super star in the world of Judo, joining us on Tuesday 3rd June. Children will need to come in earring PE kit on this day. All pupils will take part in a sponsored fitness circuit run by their athlete, a terrific way to get all children excited about sport and realise that getting moving is really fun! Their athlete will then share their incredible sporting journey, a story of resilience and determination in a fun and interactive assembly. There will also be an

opportunity to ask any burning questions in a Q&A session with their inspiring role-model at the end!

Fundraising for the event has now begun and children should have brought home a sponsorship form. Children can raise money online or can collect cash. The money raised for the event will help us to purchase new sports equipment and improve levels of physical activity in our school! Sponsorship forms will need to be returned to school by **Friday 6th June please, along with cash if not collecting online.**

Front gate

A friendly reminder: For the safety and security of all our students, we kindly ask that you remain vigilant and ensure the gate is closed properly when entering and exiting the school premises. If you see that the gate has been left open, please close it.

Days children need to come in P.E. kit:

Reception – Wednesday (outdoor learning) & Friday (PE)

Year 1 – Tuesday & Thursday

Year 2 – Monday & Wednesday

Year 3 – Monday & Thursday

4R – Monday & Friday

4E – Monday & Tuesday

Year 5 – Thursday (outdoor learning) & Friday (PE)

Year 6 – Monday (swimming) & Friday (PE)

Dates for your diary for the summer term:

Monday 26th – Friday 30th May – Half term

Tuesday 3rd June – Athlete visit and sponsored circuits in school

Wednesday 4th June – Year 6 transition workshops with the Mental Health Team

Monday 9th – Friday 13th June – Phonics screening checks

Monday 2nd – Friday 13th June – Year 4 multiplication checks

Tuesday 10th June – Year 4 Escot trip

Wednesday 18th June – Sports day (in National sports week!) KS2 will be in the morning and KS1 Will be in the afternoon.

Friday 20th June – Walkability for Year 4

Friday 20th June - world music day

Saturday 21st June - Summer Fete

Monday 29th June – Bikeability

Wednesday 2nd July – Summer Rocksteady Concert

Monday 7th – Wednesday 9th July – Year 6 residential to London



Wednesday 16th July – Year 6 end of year production at St James

Mondy 21st July – Y4 Camp out

Top Readers this week are

3F	Elliot W
3H	Erin H
4E	Kacper B
4R	Manuel A
5P	Helena J & Franchesca H
5T	Elijah H
6BR	Milo S
6W	Barnabas C

Friday Flyers this week are:

REM	Noah C
RS	
1P	Abdulaziz A
1S	Jimmy M
2SB	Harlow
2MT	Ruben B
3H	Humaira Q
3F	Ezmae E
4R	Rushmikan
4E	Arjin S
5T	Denny GW
5P	
6W	Luca B
6BR	Beau C

Week 3 School meals menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MAIN MEAL	MAIN MEAL	MAIN MEAL	MAIN MEAL	MAIN MEAL
Macaroni Cheese with Focaccia Bread and Carrot	Devon Sausages and Mash with Peas and Gravy	British Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables and Gravy	Devon Beef Bolognese with Pasta, Peas and Sweetcorn	Chicken Bites with Chips and Salad Stick
VEGETARIAN MEAL	VEGETARIAN MEAL	VEGETARIAN MEAL	VEGETARIAN MEAL	VEGETARIAN MEAL
Sweet and Sour Vegetables with Noodles and Carrot	Cauliflower and Butternut Squash Curry with Rice, Naan Bread and Pes	Red Pepper Frittata with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables and Grav	Vegetable Pitta with Potato Wedges and Sweetcorn	Vegetarian Sausage Rolls with Chips and Salad Stick
JACKET POTATO	JACKET POTATO	JACKET POTATO	JACKET POTATO	JACKET POTATO
Cheese and Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese and Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese and Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese and Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese and Beans or Tuna Mayo
DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT
Lemon Cookie	Carrot Cake	Ice Cream	Apple Flapjack	Jam Sponge

Health for Kids is site with a range of advice and resources specifically for parents and carers of primary school aged children, there is a children's version of the site too.

[Health for Kids | Devon](#)

Advice for parents of healthy-weight children your child is a healthy weight, there's lots you can do as a parent to help them stay a healthy size as they grow.

[NHS Healthy weight children advice](#)

Head lice and nits Head lice are tiny insects that live in hair. Nits are the empty egg cases attached to hair that head lice hatch from. Head lice are a common problem, particularly in school children aged 4 to 11.

[NHS Inform – head lice and nits](#)

Free NHS mental health support for parents across Devon

If you are struggling with low mood, anxious thoughts, sleep difficulties or aren't quite feeling yourself, help is available.



Parental Minds

[Parental Minds](#) is a community interest company based in Honiton, East Devon. Exploring new pathways to mental health support. Parental Minds aim to empower curiosity around mental healthcare through peer support, resource development, research, collaboration and networking.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SUPPORT

Parenting Smart Practical advice for parents and carers of children aged 4-11. All of the content is based on evidence and experiences working with children, young people and their families.

parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk

The Solihull Approach A series of courses that offer post-natal courses from 6 months to 19+ years. inourplace.co.uk

Dad's House Aims to support dads to ensure that children remain the priority after divorce, separation or bereavement. dadshouse.org.uk

Citizens Advice Free online independent advice and local advice centres near you.
citizensadvice.org.uk

DIAS – Devon Information and Advice and Support devonias.org.uk

Make a request for support or report a child safety concern

If you are worried about the safety or wellbeing of a child or young person in Devon, please use our [online referral form](#). This form will go through to our safeguarding mailbox and be triaged by a Team Manager within our Front Door.

However, if you deem the child to be at risk of significant harm you have an option to contact our Front Door directly on **0345 155 1071**. Our lines are open Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm and Friday 9am-4pm. You will still be required to complete an online form within our timescales.

If you need help outside of these hours or at weekends or bank holidays, please call our Emergency Duty Service on **0345 6000 388**. If a child is at immediate risk, contact the police on **999**.



Food and Activities

At River Dart, the much-loved “Picnic at the Park” returns to River Dart Country Park on 1st June. Set against a stunning natural backdrop, it is a day of live music, dancing, dog shows, and more—a true celebration of Devon life. History lovers will not want to miss Kents Cavern in Torquay. Their “Survival School” event on 30th May brings the Stone Age to life with demonstrations and hands-on activities both inside the caves and out. Could you survive prehistoric Devon? Here is your chance to find out.

Down at Haldon Forest Park, families can enjoy not one but two themed trails. First up, a dog-themed walk with Wallace and Gromit adds some light-hearted puzzling to your stroll. Then there is the ever-popular Stick Man trail—ideal for younger children—with activities, tree facts, and a gentle introduction to forest wildlife.

For something truly hands-on, the House of Marbles in Bovey Tracey offers a variety of glassmaking workshops this half term. Whether you are shaping a heart, a bird or a small vessel, each session is run by experienced artisans, and you will come away with something genuinely unique.

Train enthusiasts should make tracks to the South Devon Railway’s “Spring Rails & Ales” from 23rd to 26th May.

Over at Pennywell Farm, unicorns take centre stage between 17th May and 1st June. Yes, unicorns. Meet Merlin, race hobby horses, and follow the Unicorn Farm Trail. It’s whimsical, interactive, and has enough hands-on activities to keep little ones busy all day.

Of course, it wouldn’t be half term in Devon without a day by the sea, just remember sun and sea safety or to look it up together before you go.

East Devon & Exeter: Days Out Close to Home Closer to the city, Exeter 's Royal Albert Memorial Museum offers several workshops this half term, including 1920s-themed hat-making and Art Deco tote bag printing. Each session runs from 10.30am to 3.30pm, perfect for a midday creative burst before heading out for lunch or ice cream in the city centre.

Stuart Line Cruises are setting sail through the historic Exeter Canal and along the South Devon coast for the English Riviera Airshow (31st May and 1st June). If

you want unbeatable views of the Red Arrows, this is the way to do it—anchored right in Torbay.

At Pecorama in Beer, it's all aboard for Claudine's 20th birthday party on 30th and 31st May. A Big Engine Gala is planned to mark the occasion, with all the park's largest model engines taking to the tracks.

FOOD

If you are heading out and about this half-term don't forget to search online to find the places where children can eat free with a paying adult or places that have reduced price meals sometimes every little can help.