

Dear Parents and Carers

It is wonderful to see the children back this week and I would like to wish you and your families a very Happy New Year! I have had so many lovely conversations with children this week about their holidays and have been really impressed with how they have settled back into working.

We have been talking a lot about good manners in school and showing each other respect and I have been really pleased with how children have taken this on and are talking about it.

Parking

Please can I remind you that you should only be driving on to the school site if you have a disabled badge and the person the badge is for is actually in the vehicle, or if you have been given permission to do so. If you are collecting a child who is unwell during the school day, this is also fine.

Uniform

All children should be wearing uniform. This is an important part of belonging to our school community. Please can you make sure your child is wearing uniform, including having their PE kit in school. The PE kit should be a plain white T shirt and plain black shorts. If anyone has difficulty accessing uniform, please let us know as we have some second hand uniform and may be able to help.

Primary School Applications

A reminder that the closing date for applications for children due to start in Reception this September is the 15th January 2023. If you have not applied by this date, there is a chance that you may not get a place at your chosen school.

Please apply now at the link below:

https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-for-a-primary-school-place/

Ways to earn family points this term

1. Reading 5 x a week

The new reading diaries this term should make it much easier to keep up with making sure you sign your child's diary 5 times a week. Children in KS2 are able to sign their own diaries if they are reading independently. Every time a child has their diary signed 5 or more times in a week, they will earn 5 family points for their family group. Teachers will be checking diaries weekly and awarding certificates as well.

2. Handwriting (optional)

Improving handwriting and presentation is something we are working hard on in school. Therefore, children have the opportunity to do some extra handwriting practise at home. Each week there will be 1 handwriting sheet for them to complete at home. If they complete the sheet and hand it back in, they will receive 3 family points.

3. Times Table Battle

This half-term there is a times table battle between all the family groups, so any time your child spends on TTRS will help their family group. There will be weekly champions and the winning family group at the end of the half-term will earn bonus points for their family.

Autumn Term Word Counts

6P: 9,444,470 (Holly V - 2,140,530)

6BM: 6,646,639 (Olivia - 543,358)

5W: 6,493,475 (Bella - 1,389,900)

4H: 5,338,061 (Elias - 472,284)

3P: 5,239,325 (Elijah H - 1,094,182)

3DM: 4,908,779 (Gabriel - 1,253,108)

5C: 4,778,741 (Reuben - 628,298)

4F: 4,426,001 (Maks - 766,655)

2T Total: 88,001 (Anya - 15,114)

2S Total: 84,733 (Chloe - 23,312)

Reception

This week we flew to Space in a rocket but we were back in school for lunch!

We have learnt how many planets are in the Solar system, which planet we live on and you can only get into space by a rocket.





RS Friday Flyer: Eli - Oak

RG Friday Flyer: Rosie (Cherry)

Year 1

We had our first tennis lesson this week, which was so much fun! We learnt some key skills like throwing, catching and controlling the ball. This will help us when we start playing tennis in the coming weeks.



1C Friday Flyer: Jacob (Oak)





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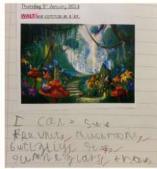
1P Friday Flyer: Mia (chestnut)



Year 2

We have started a new History unit - significant women. This week, we began learning about Amelia Earhart!

In PE we have started our tennis lessons. We are working on our throwing and catching.



2T Friday Flyer: Lucifer (Maple)



2S Friday Flyer: Aida-May (cherry)



3P Friday Flyer: Lillianna - Oak

This week we had a french afternoon where we practised our french colours before learning how to complete a crossword for the first time. We also taste tested some french cheeses and filled in a star diagram based on our opinions of each cheese.



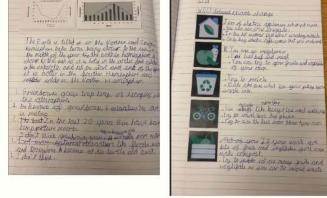
3DM Friday Flyer: Oscar - Cherry

What comparisons can we make

Year 4

This week in Year 4, we have enjoyed learning about climate change in Geography and how we can all help to prevent climate change. We were very passionate about how important it is to help save the planet, we created a list of small things we can all do to help reduce our carbon footprints. We are looking forward to starting tag rugby next week and learning about mod rock in Art.

4H Friday Flyer: Freddie (Cherry)



4F Friday Flyer: Logan (Cherry)



Year 5





Year 5 have completed a variety of pieces of awesome writing about the animation, "Rock, Paper and Scissors" over the week. They have also been taste testing ginger, cinnamon, mint and vanilla so that they are ready to plan to create their own brigadeiros!



5C Friday Flyer: Scarlett (Cherry)

5W Friday Flyer: Daniel (Oak)

Year 6

This week, Year Six have started to learn about survival skills. They decided that shelter would be the priority for survival and attempted to build their own using just one tarpaulin and two ropes.

The children have also begun their ukulele lessons and it has been amazing to see how much they have remembered from their learning last year!

6P Friday Flyer: Amelia (Chestnut)



6BM Friday Flyer: Maicie (Oak)

Week 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Main Meal		Main Meal	Main Meal
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Mild Chicken Curry, Rice and Sweetcorn	Focaccia Bread Cheese Pizza with Sauté Potatoes and Peas	Roast Turkey, Roast Potatoes and Fresh Vegetables with Optional Gravy	Beef Bolognese and Pasta, Focaccia Bread and Sweetcorn	Chicken Nuggets, Fries and Baked Beans or Peas
Vegetarian	Vegetarian	Vegetarian	Vegetarian	Vegetarian
Option	Option	Option	Option	Option
Halloumi Stuffed Pepper, Rice and Sweetcorn	Vegetable Ragout and Pasta, Focaccia Bread and Peas	Roasted Vegetable Wellington, Roast Potatoes and Fresh Vegetables with Optional Gravy	Mushroom Biryani with Rice, Focaccia Bread and Sweetcorn	Vegetable Nuggets, Fries and Baked Beans or Peas
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato
With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo
Dessert	Dessert	Dessert	Dessert	Dessert
Raspberry Muffin	Flapjack	Fruit Jelly	Autumn Apple Cake	Oaty Cookie