

Dear Families,

Next week is the final week of the Spring Term before the Easter holidays. There are some different opportunities for parents/carers to join us next week. We have our second parents' evenings for all children on Monday and Tuesday and then later in the week Years 3-6 children will be visiting the church on Thursday afternoon and for Reception->yr 2 children, there is the Easter Bonnet parade on Friday morning. If you haven't already signed up for your parents' evening slot, our family support team will be trying to telephone you shortly to find a day/time that works for you—we are extremely keen that ALL children have someone from home coming to see the amazing learning they have completed so far this term.

Our Summer Term After School Club programme has now been realised and we would love for all children to sign up for at least one activity. There are different options, on different days, and it only costs £10 for the 10 weeks. We do not want money to be the reason for any child to not attend something they are interested in so please talk to our Family Support Team or Mrs Hughes in the school office if this is the barrier for your child attending.

Regards, Ms Alison Helm: Headteacher

Dates for your
diary ...

March

W/C 31st March NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

w/c 31st March Bikeability course (am)

Monday 31st March &
Tuesday 1st April Parents' Evenings

April

Wednesday 2nd April Years 4/5/6 theatre trip -The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe

Thursday 3rd April Easter Service at St Mags. 1.30 start - Years 3 to 6

Friday 4th April Easter Bonnet Parade—**EYFS to Year 2** - 9am start

Friday 4th April Last day of term

Tuesday 22nd April Extra non pupil day—school closed for children

Wednesday 23rd April All children back in school



Attendance Awards

We are working really hard to make sure all our pupils are in school, every day and on time. Obviously we all get sick, every now and then, but if we are well, we need to be in school!

Well done to **Dolphins, Little Tigers and Little Lions** classes for excellent attendance this week.



CLASS ATTENDANCE		HOUSE ATTENDANCE	
Little Bears	94.71%	Christie House	92.16%
Little Lions	96.11%		
Little Foxes	83.41%		
Little Tigers	97%	Darwin House	91.98%
Unicorns	94.79%		
Dolphins	98.18%		
Little Horses	93.08%	Kingsley House	93.72%
Eagles	92.41%		
Swans	93.67%		
Herdsmen	94.14%	Singer House	95.6%
Heroes	86.23%		
Hunters	98.33%		
Warriors	92.73%		
The winner is ... DOLPHINS		The winner is ... SINGER HOUSE	

Theatre Visit

Next week, all the children in Years 4-6 will be visiting the Princess Theatre in Torquay to watch The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe which is on tour from London. This trip is fully funded from LAP (Learning Academy Partnership) as part of their “70 Experiences Before Year 7 Promise”.

ELLACOMBE HISTORY PROJECT















Last week all the children from years 1-6 undertook the first art workshop for our Ellacombe History Project. After Easter, these designs are going to be used as the children start to make the mosaics.





STARS OF THE WEEK



	Little Stars	Scarlett for her fantastic attitude to learning!
	Little Bears	Arthur for his endless enthusiasm and exceptional behaviour for learning!
	Little Lions	Milani for being so brave performing 'Spring Chicken' in front of all the children in singing assembly
	Little Foxes	Florence for her effort, enthusiasm and for being a role model for Little Foxes.
	Little Tigers	Lorelei - for her incredible work this week and her beautiful handwriting!
	Unicorns	Geon for working really hard in maths!
	Dolphins	Isabella for her beautiful presentation in all her work!
	Little Horses	Joshua for his fantastic maths this week!
	Eagles	Belle for an overwhelmingly positive approach to all areas of her learning
	Swans	Joel for your amazing friendship and encouragement to others in swimming!
	Herdsmen	French for being an incredible member of the class who always shows kindness, stewardship and love.
	Heroes	Amelia for being a supportive partner and showing perseverance in all areas of learning.
	Hunters	Daisy T for coming first place in the gymnastics competition and for putting in extra effort into her revision this week.
	Warriors	Belle for an overwhelmingly positive approach to all areas of her learning

READING CLUB

This week, reading club visited the book shop Waterstones. Whilst there, they had a talk from the manager about children's literature. They were all fantastic at discussing favourite authors, books they know and books that are on their list to read next. After choosing a few new books for our library, they spent some time reading with each other and discovering new releases and new authors. The children excelled in showing our local community just how much Ellacombe loves to read.





CAKE SALE

Thursday 24th April at 3pm

Year 2 will be holding a cake sale on Thursday 24th April to raise money to pay for their trip to Oddicombe Cliff Railway. Please bring cash if you would like to purchase a cake.

Thank you

Year 2 Team




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The Ellacombe Weekly

28th March 2025



PARTNERSHIPS FOR INCLUSION OF NEURODIVERSITY IN SCHOOLS

Join us and other parents in your school who also have children with additional needs (your child doesn't need a diagnosis to attend).

We know lots of neurodivergent children have difficulties managing changes in routine or stopping one activity to start something new. During this session we will discuss ideas and strategies you can use to support your child.

The session will be run by SEND Family Voice Torbay.

Transitions drop-in

Friday 28 March
9:00-10:00



A new tribute to Agatha Christie is being unveiled this Easter in Torquay

Save the date for a spectacular unveiling event as Torquay's harbourside honours the 'Queen of Crime' with a new tribute designed by local artist Elisabeth Hadley.

On Saturday 12 April, Torquay's harbourside is set to celebrate its most famous daughter, Agatha Christie, with the unveiling of a magnificent statue in her honour.

This momentous event will take place at Torquay's harbourside in the newly created public realm space. The stunning inner harbour will provide the backdrop for the bronze tribute, which sees Agatha Christie sitting on a bench with her beloved dog Peter at her feet.

The specially commissioned tribute, funded through Town Deal Funding, secured by Torbay Council, was created by Brixham artist, Elisabeth Hadley. Elisabeth's design was chosen following a public vote, after five artists were shortlisted following a public call out in September 2021.

The unveiling ceremony will be complemented by live performances, a family-friendly 'who-done-it' mystery trail, literary walks and a print workshop hosted by Double Elephant at Torquay Library, for all ages and abilities.



KINETIC SPORTS GROUP

Easter Holidays 2025 - Multi-Sports Camp!

Monday 7th April - Friday 11th April

Monday 14th April - Thursday 17th April

Venues -

Oldway Primary School

Higher Polsham Rd, Paignton, TQ3 2SY

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