



3rd October 2025

Dear Ellacombe Families,

Thank you all for fully supporting our Census day on Thursday to ensure the school is getting the maximum amount of money possible for the next academic year. It is obviously very important that all children are in school every day, not just on census day, so continue to ensure your children are aiming for that 100% attendance.

We have had some change around in our staffing structures this academic year so I just wanted to update you with a 'who's who' to make sure you are able to speak to the right person about any questions or concerns you have:

Deputy Head Teacher and SENCo: Mrs Corline

Safeguarding Lead and Family Support Team: Ms Williams and Ms Davidson

Attendance: Mrs Baker

PSED/Pastoral Team: Mrs PR, Ms Wyatt and Mrs Roberts

Phase Leaders: Mrs Bessell (EYFS/KS1); Mrs Wolfe (Yrs 3/4); Ms Butler (Yrs 5/6)

Little Stars Manager: Mrs Logan

Regards, Ms Alison Helm: Headteacher

October				
Thursday 16th	Year 3 to Kent's Cavern	Dates for diary		
Monday 20th October	Year 5 @ TGGS watching Mary Poppins			
Tuesday 21st & Wednesday 22nd	Parents'/Carers' Evenings (not year 3) - NO CLUBS THIS WEEK			
Tuesday 21st & Thursday 23rd	Year 3 Parents'/Carers' Evenings - NO CLUBS THIS WEEK			
Friday 17th & 24th	Year 6 Climate Change Workshop			
27th to 31st	Half Term			
	November			
Monday 3rd	All children back in school			
4th - 6th	Learn to Cycle (more details to follow)			
26th—28th	Year 5/6 Heatree Residential			
	December			
Friday 19th	Last day of Autumn Term			
Monday 5th January	All children back to school			





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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!



CLASS ATTENDANCE		HOUSE ATTENDANCE	
Little Lions	95.91%	Classiatia	02 (20)
Little Foxes	92.57%	Christie	92.62%
Little Tigers	96%	Darwin House	
Unicorns	93.87%		94.06%
Dolphins	93.79%		
Eagles	83.94%	Kingsley	94.07%
Swans	97.08%		
Herdsmen	98.67%	Singer House	96.08%
Heroes	93%		
Hunters	92.37%		
Warriors	92.69%		
The winner is HERDSMEN		The winner is SINGER HOUSE	





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Torbay School Nursing Team



School Nursing Service Parent and Carer Drop in

A member of the school nurse team will be attending your child's school on:

Date: Wednesday 8th October 2025

Time: 9 - 10.30 am

We will be able to offer support and advice for:

- · Bowel and bladder
- Diet and nutrition
- Sleep
- Emotional wellbeing
- Behaviour (if there is an associated health need)



Torbay and South Devon



New Ellacombe Facebook page

Thank you for those extra 'followers' who have found our new Facebook page. We will be using this as a space to share some of the amazing things we are doing in school so please keep checking for updates and information.

"Ellacombe C of E Academy"







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5	STARS OF THE WEEK
Little Stars	Cubs - Hunter - for trying really hard to follow Little Stars rules and joining in more on the carpet.
	Chameleons- Lana for settling so well and exploring independently.
Little Lions	Ines for fantastic phonics - super sounds, writing and blending!
Little Foxes	Liam - for working hard in Phonics and writing sentences!
Little Tigers	Amelia for always showing our Ellacombe values and putting 100% into everything she does!
Unicorns	Alfie for your fantastic start to year 1. You are always a kind friend and ready to learn. Super work!
	Ivy for always being ready to learning and working hard!
Eagles	Zakhar for your fantastic story writing and computing skills!
Swans	Aria for always showing our school values and for your amazing effort in class.
Herdsmen	Arlo for showing great focus on his work and enthusiasm for his times tables!
Heroes	Emili for always showing our school values, for always being ready in class and your amazing effort in class!
Hunters	Tyrone for showing great leadership in house teams this week! Well done.
Warriors	Scarlett - for working hard as House Captain and being super helpful!

SPORTS CAPTAINS



Our next group of pupil leaders have been elected this week with some of our Year 6 children being voted in as our Sports Captains. As well as sorting sports events over the year, the children help organise different sports and activities during lunchtimes.





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