



20th June 2025

Dear Ellacombe Families,

We seem to be having lots of mixed weather at the moment so please can you make sure you are sending your children to school dressed appropriately—either with a rain coat or with sunscreen on!

There are some different events coming up over the final term so please can I encourage you to keep checking this newsletter, and the school app, for more information about these. We would love to see as many parents/carers as possible at these events.

We are starting to think about the end of the year, and looking ahead to the next academic year. As has been the case in previous years, we will be using this as an opportunity to 're-shuffle' our classes to ensure these are as equal as possible. Your child will find out about their new class teacher on the 'meet the teacher' day on July 10th.

Regards, Ms Alison Helm: Headteacher

	June	Dates for your		
Wednesday 25th June	Year 4 Geography trip	diary		
Wednesday 25th June	Year 6 bowling trip			
Friday 27th June	Little Stars and Reception trip to the zoo.			
Monday 30th June	EYFS Sports Afternoon at Warberry—Reception and Nursery			
July				
Tuesday 1st July	KS1 (Yrs 1-3)pm and KS2 (Yrs 4 to 6)am Sports Day at Warberry			
Wednesday 2nd July	New Reception Children—Teddy Bears' Picnic			
Wednesday 9th July	Ellacombe Through the Decades at the Lyceum Theatre			
Thursday 10th July	Meet your new teacher morning and pupil reports out			
Tuesday 15th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly at 9.15am			
Wednesday 23rd July	EYFS Beach trip			
Friday 25th July	Last day of term			
Wednesday 3rd September	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!

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



CLASS ATTENDANCE		HOUSE ATTENDANCE	
Little Bears Little Lions Little Foxes	97.37% 97.65% 95.69%	Christie House	96.6%
Little Tigers Unicorns Dolphins	91.82% 97.57% 100%	Darwin House	92.37%
Little Horses Eagles Swans	94.4% 92.59% 96.33%	Kingsley House	96.07%
Herdsmen Heroes Hunters	95.6% 86.4% 94.58%	Singer House	96.57%
Warriors 98.57% The winner is		The winner is	





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Next week, the Scholastic book fair will be open every day after school, 3-3:30 in the hall. Come and visit us to see the great range of books we have, starting at just £2.99. Every book purchased helps us to get free books for our school library! The school get up to 60% of total sales back to spend on books for our library and classrooms. We look forward to seeing you there!

YEAR 2 TRIP TO ODDICOMBE BEACH

On Wednesday, Year 2 had a very exciting trip down to Oddicombe Beach. Our plan was to get the Cliff Railway, but it wasn't working so we had to make the long walk down through the woods - what an adventure! Once we arrived on the beach, we drew and sketched the beach huts for our design and technology learning this term. Also, we discussed the human and physical features of Oddicombe which linked to our geography learning. After lunch, we enjoyed playing on the beach and designing sand sculptures. The children demonstrated our school values beautifully in our local community and they all really enjoyed it but not the walking!







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STARS OF THE WEEK				
5	Little Stars	Jezeci for really trying hard with his speaking especially at effect time. Forming for his joyruf		
5		attitude toward his play and level of curiosity about how the world around him works!!		
	Little Bears	Liam for working hard writing his 'hold a sentence' in Phonics		
5	Little Lions	Vinnie for excellent effort in sports day practice, particularly his super far throws with the javelin!		
5	Little Foxes	Arabella - for really challenging herself with her writing this week, independently extending her sentences. Super work!		
	Little Tigers	Riley S - for his fantastic writing this week and for his contribution in DT this week. Keep it up!		
5	Unicorns	Unicorns for showing our school values on our school trip!		
5	Dolphins	Neel for his fantastic contributions and questions during our learning this week!		
5	Little Horses	The whole of Little Horses for their fantastic first swimming lesson! Well done, guys.		
5	Eagles	Ivan for being so keen to share his ideas with the class to propel our learning!		
5	Swans	Evie for being such a kind and caring member of the class.		
	Herdsmen	Leo for always showing our school values and trying hard in all his learning.		
55	Heroes	Shelli for her incredible attitude towards her learning this week		
	Hunters	Daniel for his fantastic writing and editing this week.		
	Warriors Heidi for working hard on her writing and presentation in books!			

PE DAYS - SUMMER 2			
MONDAY	Year 5		
TUESDAY	Years 1 and 6		
WEDNESDAY	Little Bears, Year 2		
THURSDAY	Little Lions, Year 3		
FRIDAY	Year 4		

CAKE SALE

THURSDAY 26TH JUNE

Please come along raise funds for Year Aquarium visit. 3pm



and buy a cake to help 1's in school Plymouth in the playground.





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LAP Ethos Trip

Last week, our Ethos Council went to St Matthias' Church with other children from the Torquay Hub schools. We learnt all about the importance of The Holy Trinity through completing different activities looking at God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.





GEOLOGIST VISIT—YEAR 3

Year 3 had a visit from a geologist this week as part of Torbay's Bedrock Project. They had the chance to find out what a geologist does, an opportunity to look at different rocks and fossils and to see the timeline of the world on the Toilet Roll of Time that stretched all the way around the hall!







Free school meals/Pupil Premium Funding

It is really important that all children who are entitled to free school meals have completed the necessary paperwork. This means, as a school, we then get additional funding from the Government called Pupil Premium. This can be used to support trips and visits and enable us to continue to have lots of additional support staff within the school. If you haven't completed this form, please see the link below.

APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If you are having problems applying please pop in to the office and someone will be happy to help





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Midsummer **Music Event**

Torbay and South Devon Músic Centre

Always wanted to play a musical instrument? Now's your chance.

No prior experience needed, just bring along your enthusiasm.

Already play one instrument, why not try another? Come along and join in the opportunity to try several different orchestral instruments.

Meet the teacher and 'taster' sessions with TSDMC's qualified teachers and Alumni music graduates.

Performances from current pupils who this year performed at the Royal Albert Hall as well as locally at the Devon County Show.

The TSDMC tuck shop will be open and Refreshments will be on sale.

Time and date: 16.30-18.30 on Friday 11th July 2025

Place: Torquay Boys' Grammar School. Cost: FREE

Ages: 6-18 years.



For more information and to let us know you are coming along please contact:

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ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND









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Mealtime Assistant – Ellacombe C of E Academy

7.5 hours per week, 38 weeks per year £12.26 per hour Closing Date - Monday 30th June 2025 (9am) www.lapsw.co.uk/vacancies or email ellacombe@lapsw.org