

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the final half term of this academic year.

I'm delighted to be able to share that the school has been awarded some additional funding recently—from Torbay council and national Government—to continue to improve the school building. This means that over the summer holidays the following things will be happening: a new roof on the yr 4/5 block; new windows in Little Stars Nursery; improved playground facilities in the main playgrounds and front garden; a sensory room fitted in the main school; and more children's toilets and a changing facility added to our Nurture room. All of these things will mean all our pupils continue to flourish in their learning environments.

Please do not hesitate to chat to any of the staff on the gates in the morning if you have any questions or concerns.

Regards, Ms Alison Helm: Headteacher

June

Wednesday 18th June	Year 2 trip
Wednesday 25th June	Year 4 Geography trip
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 and KS2 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
Wednesday 23rd July	EYFS Beach trip
Friday 25th July	Last day of term
Wednesday 3rd September	All children back to school

Dates for your
diary ...



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 Foxes and Unicorns** classes for excellent attendance this week.



CLASS ATTENDANCE		HOUSE ATTENDANCE	
Little Bears	91.58%	Christie House	97.64%
Little Lions	97.65%		
Little Foxes	98.07%		
Little Tigers	94.55%	Darwin House	97.48%
Unicorns	97.92%		
Dolphins	100%		
Little Horses	91.87%	Kingsley House	97.03%
Eagles	95.33%		
Swans	96.33%		
Herdsmen	98.4%	Singer House	95.88%
Heroes	95.58%		
Hunters	97.5%		
Warriors	97.14%		
The winner is ... DOLPHINS		The winner is ... CHRISTIE HOUSE	

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

The Spanish Armada arrives at Ellacombe

For their history project, year 3 have been learning about Sir Francis Drake and made some amazing models as part of their home learning.



Our school value this half term is **TRUST**

Please spend sometime chatting with your children about the idea of 'trust'. Perhaps you could start with some of these questions:

- What does it mean to trust someone?
- How do you know when you can trust someone?
- How do you build trust with your friends and family?
- What are some things you do to show you can be trusted?



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 STARS OF THE WEEK 		
	Little Stars	Cubs: Rosie for demonstrating our value of stewardship - she has been very helpful and really tried hard at tidy up time. Chameleons: Elwin for increasing his level of engagement and curiosity in the setting- well done!
	Little Bears	Mabel - for her awesome maths work on odds and evens and being a wonderful helper!
	Little Lions	Freddie for his great progress with his writing and always showing kindness.
	Little Foxes	All of Little Foxes - for their amazing effort with their phonics this week!
	Little Tigers	Makanaka - for a fantastic first week, settling in well into our class and making new friends. Welcome to Ellacombe Maka!
	Unicorns	Hunter for an amazing effort with his learning especially his English!
	Dolphins	Jon for his fantastic work this week!
	Little Horses	Zakhar - for his amazing participation in all subjects. Well done!
	Eagles	Adina for demonstrating our school values to the new friend in the class
	Swans	Julia for her amazing effort and perseverance with her times tables.
	Herdsmen	Tyrone for a great first week and for quickly becoming part of our Ellacombe family.
	Heroes	Scarlett for her incredible work this week and giving 100% effort. Well done.
	Hunters	Ivan - for his effort in PE this week and for his great writing in English.
	Warriors	Ethan - for consistently showing our school values and working hard in his writing this week!

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 and buy a cake to help raise funds for Year 1's in school Plymouth Aquarium visit. 3pm in the playground.



A MESSAGE FROM



We're on a mission to improve children's oral health – and we'd like you to join us. 😊

Sadly, almost a third of children develop tooth decay by the time they are five years old, making it the nation's most common childhood disease. In its report this year, The Royal College of Surgeons stated it was seriously concerned about the state of children's oral health in the country. At {my}dentist St Marychurch, we share that concern.

And we're determined to do something about it!!

Due to previous demand, **every other Saturday from 28th June until the end of August**, we will be holding our "Kids Club" sessions for children to come and have a free one-off NHS checkup appointment with our lovely dentist Parsa Mosaddad.

To book an appointment for your child/children you just need to call 01803 328113 or pop into our St Marychurch practice and one of our reception team will be more than happy to help!

This won't register the child with the practice but should enable them to have an NHS dental check up and 1 course of treatment.

Please note, if any parents are unable to attend on a Saturday for various reasons, then we may have other availability if they contact the reception team.

If you have any questions about this scheme please do not hesitate to contact the team, who will be more than happy to help.

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