



Friday Flyer 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year to you all, we hope you had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. It has been wonderful welcoming all of your children back to school and hearing about what they have been up to and of course hearing about their presents and Christmas lunch menus.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a massive thank you for the generosity you have shown staff this Christmas, all the gifts we received we are so thankful for and thank you for your kindness.

Our Friday flyer is our main form of communication across the school, please make sure you check it each week for notices etc. Any changes/updates will be communicated via the Friday Flyer or a specific email to parents, we do not expect our children to be responsible to pass on information.

In addition, every teacher updates their class DB page weekly, this site holds homework information, class updates and relevant class information. This is a very important platform for home learning. Please check this at least weekly, homework is set on a Tuesday evening.

Reading: we continually mention the importance of reading at home, this is truly the key to life beyond school and early reading makes a massive difference to all of our lives. Please take time to read with your child every night/day. Sometimes children are reluctant to read their school books, please try to read these together, if it is challenging talk to us about it and we can help with strategies. Bedtime stories, audio books, recipes, comics etc all help children with their reading skill, it isn't just about the phonics and decoding. Learning new vocabulary, talking about books and getting excited about reading is all part of the bigger picture. If you need support with this please get in touch.

We have a 5 week half term ahead and have lots of exciting learning to do. Please get in touch with your class teacher if you have any concerns/queries you have regarding your child and they will endeavour to get back to you as quickly as possible. Please email our admin address via Mrs Webley.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend and that we have a bit of sunshine,

Best wishes,

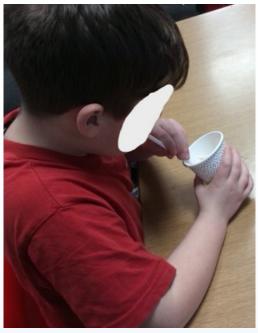
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We have been doing some cooking this week in Ladywell! The children learned about the seasonality and growth requirements of strawberries and a variety of herbs which are grown in the UK. We discussed why it is often better for stores and customers to source food locally and we made our own pesto pasta and strawberry smoothies.









TOY FIX - A REPAIR CAFE SPECIAL!

Saturday, 13 January 2024

10:00 - 14:00

Makers Mews: The Mews, Harford Road, Ivybridge PL21 OAS

(The white barn opposite Harford Rd car park)

Thanks to some funding from Ivybridge's County Councillor Roger Croad, we are able to add an extra event to our Repair Cafe calendar, specifically for toys!

Should the worst thing happen + toys get broken this holiday, we've got you. Calm the tears with the solution of joining us at our Toy Fixing Repair Cafe in January.



The Repair Cafe generally runs every last Saturday of the month. We get together once a month, bringing together skilled volunteers, tea, cake + you guys with your broken thingamabobs. Our aim is to save salvageable items headed for landfill, whilst sharing + learning skills, and meeting new people in our community. As well as the Toy Fix, our regular Repair Cafe runs Saturday 27th January 10-12 at Makers Mews.



Star of The Week

Hillhead: Harvey

Ennaton: Magnus

Dunwell: Benji

Ladywell:Bryher

Venn: Phoebe

Earlscombe: Harvey



Year 4 PE Update

Tuesday and Wednesday are year 4 PE days for this half term.

Thank you.

Parent meetings will be the week of 11th March 2024, further information will be given nearer the time .



Friends of Ugborough Safari Supper - 2nd March 2024 Ugfest '24 - 15th June 2024 at Hillhead Farm



Important Notice

Please do not send your child into school with a Smart watch that has a camera, can join the internet or receive messages. These are NOT permitted as they are a safeguarding risk. If a child does arrive in school wearing one, it will be kept by the teacher and given back at the end of the day and they will be requested not to wear them into school again.

Children can wear analogue and digital watches, or a basic Fitbit style watch. However, all beeps and alarms must be deactivated and if children starts to become distracted by their watch during lessons, it will be taken and kept by the teacher and returned at the end of the day.

We do appreciate your support with this.

Time Keeping and Appointments

Could we please remind all parents and carers that the school doors are open between 08:40 and 08.50 each day. If your child arrives after this, they will need to sign in on the screen by reception and will be marked as late, or, if after 8.55, as having an unauthorised absence which will affect their school attendance percentage.

Please make all appointments after school hours wherever possible. This includes medical appointments and private lessons. Please provide Tracy with a copy of any medical appointment letter or slip.

Thank you.

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Date	Event
Mon 12th—19th inc	Half Term
Feb	
Tue 20th Feb	First Day Back
Week of11th March	Parents evenings TBC
Fri 29th Mar—12th	Easter Holiday
Apr Inc	
Mon 15th April	First Day Back Summer Term
Monday May 6th	Bank Holiday—School Closed
Mon 13th—Fri 17th	Grenville House residential week for our year 4's.
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Mon 20th— Fri 24th	DTC residential week for our year 6's
May	
Mon 27th—Fri 31st	Half Term
May	
Mon 3rd June	First Day Back
Mon 24th June -	Dittisham residential for our year 5's
Tues 25th June	
Weds 17th July -	East Soar residential for our year 3's
Thurs 18th July	
Mon 22nd July—	Summer Holiday
Tues 3rd Sept inc	
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Monday 28th Oct -	Half Term
Fri 1st Nov	
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Monday 4th Nov	Neturn to scribor
Mon 23rd Dec—	Christmas Holiday
Mon 6th Jan 2025	
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	Return to school
Tues 7th Jan 2025	



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