



# DEVORAN NEWS

## Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has been involved with our fantastic Christmas Fayre -it was a great success, and I look forward to sharing the totals with you next week. With only two weeks until the end of term, it certainly is a busy time! This week we have our KS1 Nativity performances and the choir will be performing on Thursday evening at Source FM's Carols for Christmas at the Princess Pavilions, Falmouth. Tickets are available via the Source FM webpage.

A quick reminder also that it is our Reindeer Run in school tomorrow, to help raise money for Cornwall Hospice Care. Could the children please come to school in their PE kits and if they would like to bring a Christmas hat or reindeer antlers, that would be lovely. To donate, please visit your ParentPay page where there is the option to donate £1.

Best wishes  
Mrs Morris

### House Points

Current running total...

Longships	Pendeen	Trevose	Godrevy
1232	1291	1284	1276

**Congratulations to Pendeen!**

### Everyone Loves a Baby!



We are very excited to perform our Nativity tomorrow afternoon, evening and Wednesday afternoon – the children have been practising their singing, and dancing and are really looking forward to sharing this with you.

Please see the KS1 Class Dojo messages for up-to-date information.

### Visitors

We have had some news of nits in a few year groups – could you please check your child's hair and treat accordingly. Thank you.

### KS2 Carol Concert

Our KS2 Carol Service will be taking place at Devoran Church on Thursday 14 December. As it was so busy last year, we have decided to hold two Carol Services. The afternoon service will start at 2pm (finishing before the end of the school day) and in the evening we are asking children to arrive at school from 5:30pm so that we can register the children and get them ready to process down to the church.

We understand that your child may have other commitments on this date, but we would politely ask that you give our Carol Service the priority on this occasion as your child will have been working hard to learn their song and it is a very special community event that we are so looking forward to.

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 14 December at Devoran Church. There will be a retiring collection in aid of Devoran Church throughout our last hymn, so please bring some coins with you if you are able.



Tickets available from the office at no charge. Please email the office with your request – thank you.

## Upcoming Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 5 December – FS/KS1 Nativity Afternoon & Evening Performance

Tuesday 5 December – Reindeer Roundup Run (held in school) details to follow

Wednesday 6 December – FS/KS1 Nativity Afternoon Performance Details to follow

Monday 11 December – Rocksteady Concert 2.30pm

Tuesday 12 December – Whole School Cinema Trip

Wednesday 13 – Christmas Lunch (children to wear Christmas Jumpers)

Thursday 14 December – KS2 Carol Service Afternoon & Evening Performance Details to follow

Friday 15 December – End of Term 1.30pm

Tuesday 2 January – INSET Day

Wednesday 3 January – Children return to school

## Christmas Fayre

We all had a wonderful time at the Christmas Fayre. There was a super atmosphere and it was lovely to hear the musicians and the choir sing to get us in the mood for Christmas. Thank you to the PTCA and all adult helpers to enable us to enjoy such a great event and thank you also to the children for their wonderful craft gifts.



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## Recorders Rule

A group of our children took part in a wonderful ensemble recorder concert over the weekend which was held in the Church at Truro School. Bethan, Felicity, Ella Y, Elsie, Jacob, Kaylee, Elpie, Ella B and Evelyn played beautifully. Well done everyone!



## Sports Messages from Mrs French...

### Bee Netball Competition



We went to Penryn College on 01 December, where they held the Bee Netball Tournament. There were lots of schools and strong opposition. Devoran School did really well, their skills and confidence have really grown. Devoran won 3 of the 6 games they played and came 3rd overall, Well done Devoran!

This is what some of the team had to say:

'Everyone did really well' by Euan

'It was very challenging but everyone still pulled through and did a great job' by Joni,

'It was fun but also competitive' by Florence,

'Everyone worked hard and we did very well' by Megan.



## Football League, Monday 20 November- home match 'v' Threemilestone School 4-1



We had a great match on Monday against Threemilestone School. It was a very wet and muddy game but all the children enjoyed it. We tried a new formation and the players took on their positions well. They worked really well as a team and did some great passing. We were so pleased they came away with a 4-1 win - they deserved it.

"It was fun, we worked very well as a team and had an awesome time. There was great sportsmanship and we played well. It was great to come away with a win".

By the team

## Years 5 and 6 Swimming Gala Thursday 23 November

The Year 5 and 6 went to Truro School for the Swimming Gala on Thursday.

The children did extremely well up against some very talented swimmers. There were a few nerves but these soon disappeared. The children's team spirit and encouragement was above and beyond. So lovely to see both year groups supporting each other and cheering each other on. Well done Devoran.

"It was a really fun experience and the pool was a good temperature.

There was a good atmosphere and it was fair. Even though we came 3<sup>rd</sup>, we all enjoyed it. We tried our best and had fun".

By Year 5

"There were a few nerves but we tried our best. It was a great place and lots of fun. There was lots of people and it was noisy with everyone supporting their teams.

Even though we came 3<sup>rd</sup>, it was a great experience and we had lots of fun. It went really well and everyone tried their best". By Year 6





Seren (Y6) is our wonderful writer for this week! In Year 6 they have been writing non-chronological reports.

L.I. To write a nonchronological report using further organisational and presentational devices.

☉ Can you imagine a world without the whale shark?

Isn't it time to help save these wonderful animals?

Why wouldn't you want to get involved in rescuing this species from extinction?

What if whale sharks died out forever?

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Whale sharks are vitally important to regulate the ocean's plankton levels - if these majestic beasts disappear, it could have a nasty effect on the ocean environment. Can you imagine a world without the whale shark? Whale sharks are hunted for the oil from their livers, which is used to waterproof boats. They are also hunted for their meat, which is eaten in many parts of Asia. In addition, whale sharks often fall victim to the practice of 'finning', in which the fin of a live shark is sliced off and the animal is thrown overboard to die. Shark fins are tempting targets for fishermen because they have high monetary and cultural value. The whale shark, whose meat, oil and fins are valuable, is in terrible danger. Despite the fact that these whale shark products have high cultural value, this is no ~~excuse~~ excuse to continue hunting

# Welcome to our Devoran School Library



We are opening our library after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:20pm—4:00pm for our families to come and borrow a book to enjoy at home.

Our librarians look forward to welcoming you.



The  
deadline for  
applications is  
**15 January  
2024**

# Do you have a child born **between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020?**

If so, you will need to apply  
for a place in a reception  
class in September 2024 for  
that child by the deadline  
of **15 January 2024**.



**Please note:** you will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. If a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

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