

Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

Last week saw the last of our KS2 residentials take place, with Year 6 going to Bristol for two nights and taking part in a range of various activities and Year 3 having a camp out in school along with trips to Geevor Mine and Trelissick. We hope that the memories created on these residentials will remain with the children for years to come. The children all did so well and behaved impeccably. A huge thank you to the adults for making these trips happen – in Year 6 a huge thank you to Ms Dodson, Mrs Hubbard, Mrs Emblin and Miss French and for Year 3 a huge thank you to Mrs Churcher, Mr Griggs, Miss Billingham and Mrs Morris. We have also included some photos from the Year 5 residential last week – the children's faces say it all! We would like to extend our thanks to the adults who made this trip happen – thank you to Mrs Sydenham, Ms Varnish, Mrs Tippett, Mrs Kerrison, Ms Sobol, Mrs Benbow and Mrs Andrews. There is a huge amount of organisation that goes in to making these special trips happen. Thank you to Mrs Tippett for all her hard work with this. These trips are so much fun and the children gain so much from these experiences.

Our Year 5 children had a very productive day at Perranporth Airfield on Tuesday, where they raced their Goblin Greenpower cars. Within the space of a month, the children went from having no cars to race due to them being damaged irreparably by the fire, to borrowing two cars, designing the body work and making it all whilst creating a magnificent portfolio explaining our story to the judges. The hard work clearly paid off with the resilience the children demonstrated whilst faced with such adversity shining through. We ended up winning 4 awards for our efforts which was the icing on the cake! We would like to extend our thanks to the various schools, people and companies who made this happen; St Eval Kart Circuit lent us the helmets and overalls, Probus School lent us one car, Truro High School for Girls lent us the second car, Richard Lander lent us two batteries (thank you Mr Lloyd-King for assisting us with this and setting it up). Mr Griggs was magnificent in collecting the car and setting it up, Mr Tilley returned for a day to ensure the cars worked and that the body work was in good order, Mrs Sydenham coordinated the Enterprise Project which feeds directly into Greenpower to help fund new parts for the cars and acts as a legacy for future years, and Mrs Austin-Smith worked tirelessly with the children to design the new body work, create the portfolio and get them ready for the event. We were also honoured to have Ellie Marshall (ex-Devoran pupil) return to school to teach the children how to drive the car and to carry out the various roles required for Greenpower. As you can see, this was a huge amount of work by a great many people and we are delighted and incredibly grateful that the children still managed to have this opportunity.

On Wednesday, some of our musicians attended a Recorders Rule workshop and concert. See overleaf for more details and photos from this spectacular event.

On Wednesday evening, the Truro Roseland Learning Community (TRLC) Awards were held in the cathedral. 20 schools from the Truro and Roseland area come together to celebrate achievements of their students. Seven of our Year 6 children received awards to celebrate their various achievements throughout their time at Devoran School. Congratulations to them all!

Last week you received the information about your child's new teaching team for September and we are now starting the transition work to ensure that your child is familiar with the adults who will be working with them. We will hold a more formal transition afternoon on Tuesday 9 July where the children will spend time in their new class with their new teacher/s.

We hope that you have managed to book on to a Parent Consultation with your teacher this week – any problems, please contact the school office.

As you can see, school remains an incredibly busy place, with lots of events and activities going on for the children. We are so proud to be able to offer our children these opportunities that helps them to develop as well-rounded individuals.

Best wishes Miss Lock



SAVE THE DATE!

PTCA Summer Festival is taking place on **Saturday 13 July (afternoon)**

More details to follow in the next few weeks!

TRLC Award Winners

Congratulations to our Year 6 children who were presented with the following awards last week:



Evelyn Roskilly - Outstanding Contribution to Others

Evelyn is a great ambassador for Devoran School: she is a true all-rounder who always strives to support others in a calm and humble manner. We really appreciate how she goes over and above

Myles Hobbs - Outstanding Contribution to Others

Myles' quiet focus and calm manner sets the standard for his peers to aspire to. He is a reliable member of the Devoran team; nothing is too much trouble for him if he can help or do a good turn for someone. His positive attitude is highly valued throughout the school community.

Morley Morris - Environmental Awareness and Understanding

Morley is an outstanding ambassador for Devoran School, demonstrating exceptional empathy and understanding towards his peers' challenges both in and out of school. He actively promotes awareness of environmental issues and takes proactive steps to address them in his personal time.

Ellie Sharp - Creativity

Ellie's creative talent radiates in all her endeavours, from crafting captivating settings in her writing to composing exceptional harmonies for instrumental concerts. She modestly guides others

Ben Allen - Academic Progress

Throughout his time at Devoran, Ben has been enthusiastic in his learning. He has developed his focus and determination which has resulted in excellent progress in all areas of the curriculum.

Harvey French - Academic Progress

Harvey is a conscientious and motivated member of Devoran School, consistently applying himself to his learning with dedication and has shown remarkable progress this year. Harvey's active participation and valuable contributions serve as an exemplary model for his peers to follow.

Ramina Svanidze - Academic Progress

Despite the challenges of moving countries and learning a new language, Ramina has emerged as a wonderful role model at Devoran School, making exceptional progress. Her positive demeanour and quick wit brighten each day, and we are immensely proud of her.

Recorders Rule

On Wednesday, some of our musicians attended a day of workshops with around 80 pupils from various primary schools that took place in Truro School as part of Recorders Rule. The day of workshops ended with a concert in the chapel that was enjoyed by friends and families. Thank you to Mrs Worley and Miss Billingham for taking the children, and to Mrs Young who was there on the day to support as well as a thank you to the parent who transported our children to the event!



Year 5 Residential – BF Adventures

Year 5 went to BF Adventure for their school camp and had a fabulous time. The food was delicious and we enjoyed a wide range of activities from climbing to building a huge catapult and seeing how far we could fire tennis balls. Here are a few quotes from the class:

For breakfast we had a choice of bacon bap, pain au chocolat, cereal or toast. I had bacon bap for firsts and pain au chocolat for seconds. They were the best bacon baps and pain au chocolats ever tasted! (Edward)

Crossing the quarry on planks and tyres was amazing because challenges were so fun and I liked jumping on the tyres. Dinner was amazing too! (Korbyn)

After lunch I went climbing which was fun. There were five walls. I did three walls and found it very tiring. I didn't make it all the way up but I was still happy with myself. (Seb)

I went quarry steering and did jumping off the 3 Amigos (which were rocks) and made our way to high metal platforms. I was scared but I managed to do it with a lot of support from my friends. (Penny)

We had spaghetti bolognaise, Oh my gosh it was so good, it even tasted better than my Dad's, and a rolled sponge cake after, yum! (Dulcie)

After dinner we went down to the field and we got to go on the water slide, so fun!! After 3 goes, I went back up and had hot chocolate and headed back to our cabins. (Lyla)





Goblin Greenpower



Y3 Residential



































Truro Roseland Learning Community (TRLC) Games

We headed to Penair School for the TRLC event on Friday 21st June.

This was a great day for sports up against other schools, with a handball competition in the morning then a Quad Kids event and a Multi Skills event in the afternoon. We were able to take two teams. All of the children did so well, there were some nerves at the start as a lot of these events were out of the children's comfort zones, however the nerves soon dissipated, and the children surprised themselves by enjoying lots of the events and being very good at them.

We all enjoyed the Handball and Team One won all their games with Team Two coming close behind them. Both teams worked really well together and cheered each other on.

The Multi Skills event was lots of fun with lots of different skills from balancing with tennis balls to passing and shooting with netballs. The children shone in the Quad Kids event with the sprint, long distance run, vortex throw and standing long jump. I'm so proud of all the children for doing their very best, even though this might not be a sport they are very confident in, they still put in 100 percent. This showed with Team One winning the Quad Kids and the Multi Skills events with Devoran's second team coming in close behind. Very well done Devoran!

This is what the children said:

"It was a really fun day, it pushed me out of my comfort zone as I don't normally run. No matter where we place in the results, I had a really fun day" by Ella P

"Thanks Mrs French for taking me here; I had lots of fun and really enjoyed the sports activities, and I really liked running the sprints" by Brennan

"I really loved this day, I was really looking forward to it, my favourite activity was the football" by Teddy

"I'm really happy that I had this opportunity to come, it was really fun and relaxed" by Lily

"It was a really exciting day, at first I was nervous but then my confidence grew over time" by Myles

"It was really good fun and I discovered that I really like long distance" by Seren



Cornwall Athletic Championships

We went to Carn Brea for the 3rd time this month but this time it was for the Cornwall Athletic Championships. This is the Primary School Track and Field County Champs, open to children from Y3-Y6. Year 5 were on camp, but we were able to take Years 3, 4 and 6. This is an extremely successful and exciting event where young athletes can compete against their peers across the County on a running track. There were medals for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. This time at the track some of the children were able to take part in the long jump which had them running and jumping into the sand, the high jump where the children had to have a go at jumping over the pole onto the soft-landing mat. The sprint races were fierce, the long distances were challenging, and the relays were exciting. There was the vortex throw and also the speed bounce. The children had a great time and lots of children came away with medals which was amazing for our Devoran athletes.

Here is what the children said:

"It was a great day and we all had fun, it was hot and I was ecstatic to get two medals" By Elodie Year 3

"I enjoyed running the races, I was pleased to get to the finals in the 75m race. I was really happy coming 3rd overall" By Rohan Year 3

"We all did really well and tried our best and never stopped. It felt really good to be there and have a great time" by Jess Year 3

"There was lots of children - probably over 100, and there were lots of activities" by Arthur Year 3

"I was a bit nervous at the start but when I got running I was fine. It was good to have a try at the high jump and the experience was good. It was great to come away with medals" by Ethan

"I enjoyed the day. The running track was very big, I didn't think I was going to run it all but I did! The long jump was hard but it was very fun" by Lyla Year 4

"I had a great day and it was very fun. I got 4 medals and one of them I didn't know I would get because I hadn't done the high jump before" by Thea

"I enjoyed it, the track was quite long and I liked watching Thea doing her high jump" By Freya Year 4

"Don't be worried at the start because if you try it, you will have fun. The vortex throw was very hard, the relay was competitive but still fun" by Zavier Year 4

"We all enjoyed it and it was really fun. It was very different running on a proper running track and we all did really well" by Harry F Year 4

The Cornwall Athletics Academy, a feeder to Cornwall AC, jointly hosted the event with Cornwall AC. The academy runs a child only Saturday morning athletics club at Carn Brea if anyone would like to attend.



Football

We headed to Perran-ar-worthal School for two friendly football matches on Monday 10th June. Years 3/4/5 girls match and Year 4 boys match. Some of the children hadn't played a match before and were quite nervous but everyone did their best and had a great time.

We didn't have enough girls to make a Year 5 team so one Year 4 and 4 Year 3 girls made up the team. They all worked really well together and came away with a fantastic 7-0 win.

This was the first whole match the Year 4 boys have played and they tried their best and never gave up; there was some great play and I'm looking forward to what's to come with this team, unfortunately the score didn't reflect their work rate and team spirit, but we held our heads high with a 0-4 loss.

Very proud of all the children and it was a great opportunity, we are looking forward to the new season.

