



# DEVORAN NEWS

## Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

Last week was an exciting one with welcoming our special visitors from The Pearl of Africa Children's Choir, Uganda and Children in Need Day – a real community spirit was felt throughout and I know that the donations raised for both charities will be greatly appreciated.

The Parent Consultations are now available to book via eschools, if you have any problems at all, please let the office know and we can arrange an appointment for you.

Please take a look at the Community Newsletter in the coming weeks as there are many different Christmas activities taking place in our locality for you to enjoy!

Best wishes  
Mrs Morris

### House Points

Current running total...

Longships	Pendeen	Trevose	Godrevy
634	660	709	706

**Congratulations to Trevose**



### Upcoming Dates for Your Diary

Friday 24 November – PTCA Christmas Jumper Swap

27 November – Year 4 Swimming (2-week block)

28, 29, 30 November – Parent Consultations

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

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 Details to follow

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

## Pearl of Africa Choir

What an incredible experience! The children thoroughly enjoyed their singing, dancing and drumming workshops throughout the day. It was also wonderful to see the children from the choir playing football and basketball with Devoran children at lunchtime too. The evening performance was absolutely electric – they are such talented singers and dancers, that we all felt privileged to have watched such a performance.

Thank you for all your donations and I know that Aunty Annette (Headteacher of their Ugandan school) was very appreciative of all the support they have received. If you would like to donate further, there is an option to do this on ParentPay until 31 December. We are planning to keep the links going and supporting in various ways over the next year.



## Y5 Go Cook!

This term Year 5 have been invited to visit Truro School to take part in a cookery programme. Here are the details from Lyla:

We all enjoyed the Go Cook workshop, it was fun to try something different. We made spring rolls, a stir fry and some prawn crackers which all tasted delicious. We cleaned the dishes and learnt some different knife skills which in the future will stop us getting injured. We all enjoyed cooking in a different place and using a gas oven. We were keeping safe because we were using oven mittens. We used timers to make sure we would not burn anything. We all had a great time and had a smile on our faces at the end.





Nancy and Tilly (Y3) are our wonderful writers for this week!  
They were writing about pets plotting to escape using  
direct speech.

"I need help!..." yelled Meme ✓  
"Oh no!"... cried Meme!...  
"Oh my gosh!"... screamed  
Meme!...  
"I don't want you  
showered Meme!..." ✓  
"I am so scared" yelled Meme!...  
"I am so scared" Meme!... ✓

Thursday 16th Nov 2023  
"You're bad at escaping!" commented Lizzo ✓  
"No I'm not, I just do  
now what to do!"  
shouted Hoot.  
"You just sleep though!"  
Lizzo yelled back ✓  
"I'm nocturnal Lizzo  
Hoot whispered back.  
"Are you?" asked Lizzo ✓  
"Yes Lizzo I mean I will  
sounded Hoot, "Yeah yeah  
now that's" whispered Lizzo  
"OK" said Hoot back ✓

## Yr 3/4 Swimming Gala



On Monday 13th November we headed back to Truro Prep swimming pool to retain our winning streak in the Swimming Gala... and we did just that!

The Year 3 and 4 children did exceptionally well. It was a great afternoon for Devoran School to show off their talented swimmers. There were 3 schools in total: Devoran, Mount Hawke and Truro Prep School. The children shone not only in their swimming abilities but also in their encouragement towards each other. There were a few nervous faces but these soon turned into smiles for themselves and their team. We are extremely proud of all the children. Two years in row for Devoran swimmers!

Here is what some of the children had to say:

'It was really fun. I thought we never gave up!' by Jessie Year 3

"It was really fun and I really enjoyed the swimming" Rohan Year 3

'It was so exciting and it was great to hear everyone cheering each other on!' Isabelle Year 4

"I really enjoyed it and would like to do it again" by Etta Year 4

"it was really fun, everyone had good sportsmanship and everyone enjoyed it. It was great that we won" Harry F Year 4

"I enjoyed it so much, cheering my friends on was fun"!!! by Brennan Year 4

## Spare Football boots



If you are considering buying new football boots (or shin pads) for Christmas presents this year, could you please donate your old ones; some of which will be used for spares in school and the rest (including any adult-size boots) will be donated to The Pearl of Africa Child Care Foundation.

## Gymnastic Competition

Message from Mrs French...

We headed to Richard Lander School for the gymnastic competition on Friday 17th November. This was a great event, with different schools competing in 3 different routines. The children worked really hard and took the time out of their day to practice their routines. We took two teams: A Gymnastics Club Team and a Non-Gymnastics Team. There were lots of nerves at the start but the children helped and supported one another, it was lovely to see all of their smiling faces and their continued encouragement throughout the afternoon.

Here is what our fantastic Gymnasts have to say:

It was really fun and we wish to qualify because it was a great experience. Even though we were nervous and messed up a few times, the excitement took over by Isla and Alice 😊

We really enjoyed it, everyone did really well. It was fantastic, there were lots of schools. by Euan

I personally think everyone did very well and I recommend it for younger years, by Jude.

It was so fun, everyone was a bit nervous at first but when we finished we were very proud of ourselves and overall, I enjoyed it, by Florence

We were very nervous and scared but as the day went on we started to enjoy. At every station we cheered everyone and went over the routine to make everyone confident and happy. We all tried our very best and are happy with what we did. We are excited to hear the results. By Lily, Elpie and Elsie.



The poster features a dark blue background with several colorful Christmas jumpers. One is green with white clouds and orange stars, another is red with orange and green stripes, and a third is green with a penguin wearing a red scarf. There are also white and orange stars scattered throughout. The text is centered and reads:

PTCA

CHRISTMAS

JUMPER SALE

FRIDAY 24th NOVEMBER

- after drop off in the hall.★

PLEASE HAND IN ANY UN WANTED  
CHRISTMAS JUMPERS (CHILDS AND  
ADULTS) FROM NOW UNTIL FRIDAY

24TH NOV

BUY A NEW ONE FOR £3

*Get ready to get cozy!*

## Tuesday 5 December – Reindeer Run



We will be having a fun Reindeer Run to raise money for Cornwall Hospice Care. All children to come to school in their PE kits please.





PTCA Christmas Fayre  
Friday 1st December

3:30- 5:30pm in the hall & classrooms

Mulled wine 🍷 mince pies 🥧 Boozy 🍷 hot chocolate  
hot chocolate 🍫 cookies 🍪 sausage rolls & tea ☕ / coffee ☕

cash & card accepted

Stalls (CASH ONLY) include:

Decorate a biscuit, make a tree decoration, hot  
chocolate factory, Elfie Selfie, tombola, bottle tombola

books & toys & MORE

~ RAFFLE £1 a strip cash & card

~ SANTAS GROTTO (with gift) £3

~ Performances from the Choir & Recorders

\*\* new game \*\* RING IT 2 WIN IT £1 >>CASH

PRIZE !!

# 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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