



# DEVORAN NEWS

## Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

This has been a lovely half term jam packed with lots of learning and life skills. This Friday is a busy day with the 'wear red day', reading café in the afternoon, plus the PTCA are going to be holding a uniform / coffee morning after the drop off, followed by an end of half term treat of donuts for sale after school! See the PTCA newsletter for more details.

Best wishes and I hope you all have a lovely half term

Miss Lock

### Reading Café - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 14:30

Spend time in your child's class (you can go between various classes if you have more than one child) and see how reading is taught in the different year groups as well as spending some time reading with your child. This is the first of a few Reading Cafés we are planning across the academic year and we hope you can come!

# Reading CAFE

## World Book Day

To celebrate World Book Day, we have arranged for a Scholastic Book Fair in school. The Book Fair will be open on Thursday 2nd March to Monday 6th March it will be held in the library after school. Parents can use World Book Day vouchers to gain £1.00 off a book for their child. Payments will be via the QR code (no cash).

**SCHOLASTIC COME TO THE Book FAIR**

FILL YOUR SCHOOL WITH FREE BOOKS WHEN YOU BUY FROM THE BOOK FAIR\*

FIND HUNDREDS OF THE BEST NEW BOOKS FROM JUST £2.99!

LAST YEAR, YOUR SUPPORT HELPED TO DONATE OVER £2.2M BOOKS TO SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE

**NEW** David Walliams **THE GANGSTA GRANNY STRIKES AGAIN!** £7.99

**NEW** This is ME! £7.99

**NEW** ROALD DAHL **GEORGE'S MARVELOUS MEDICINE** £3.99

**NEW** CAT KID **COMIC CLUB** £10.99 **Best Buy Only £8.99**

**NEW** Bluey **THE CREEK** £6.99

**NEW** THE GECKO AND THE ECHO £6.99

**NEW** ANNA WILLY **ANIMAL WIZARD** £7.99

**When: Thursday 2nd to Monday 6th March 2023**  
**Time: 3:15-4:15**  
**Where: School Library**

Scan the QR code to pay online!

»SAVE THE DATE«

# WEAR RED DAY

10 February 2023

In Aid Of  
**Cornwall Air Ambulance**  
Your charity, saving lives

Suggested donation £1

## PSHE resources

Mrs Morris has collated a wealth of information about our PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education) that is available on our website via this [link](#).

You will also be able to access the Jigsaw Knowledge Organisers via your Eschools login. We are unable to share these publicly due to copyright law, but we want to make sure that you are able to see what is being taught in your child's class and how.



## New Shed

This half term we have installed a new shed behind the school kitchen to help create more storage space for our resources. We were very fortunate that Mr Roukaerts was able to prepare the footings for the shed prior to the shed installation. A huge thank you to Mr Roukaerts and Mr T Allen for all their hard work and Cornish Concrete Products Ltd who generously supplied the concrete for this project.

## Headlice

Please take time to check your child's hair over half term. We have reports of headlice in Year 3.



## Sporting Opportunities

### Cross County Qualifiers at Penair

What a great afternoon of Cross Country running we had last Friday!

46 children from years 4, 5 and 6 took part in the Cross Country and every single child crossed the line, they are all amazing and we are so proud of them all. If the children weren't running their hearts out they were supporting, cheering and encouraging each other on the course, it really was lovely to see. There were 6 races in total; Year 4 girls and Year 4 boys, Year 5 girls and Year 5 boys and Year 6 girls and Year 6 boys. We won 3 out of 6 races for the overall school teams. Just amazing! We also have 15 children that placed in the top 8 from all the races that are now going through to the next round which will be held in **Helston on the 20<sup>th</sup> March** (Mrs French will send out info as soon as she gets it). Out of those 15 we had 8 children in the top 3. There was some great running today by everyone but not just by the front runners; we had children running today who have never run in a race before and some hadn't done much running at all but they wanted to give it a go. Many challenged themselves to get around the course without stopping and Mrs French is so, so proud of them as every child put in their best effort and every single one of them crossed the finish line. What an achievement. Go Devoran!



## SPACE Workshop Options in March

### March 2023 Workshop Opportunity – SPACE (Supporting Parents and Children Emotionally) Programme Sign-up

This term we have been running our first SPACE programme for parents, carers and anyone who wants to better understand and support their child's emotions, as well as their own. It has been a really successful programme and we are excited to be able to offer it again next term.

The 5 weeks face-to-face programme will cover:

- Understanding what is meant by a Trauma Informed approach
- Understanding toxic stress and the flight/fight response
- Practical approaches to support children to regulate their emotions
- Healthy coping strategies for dealing with stress
- Managing different emotions
- Understanding behaviour
- Building resilience in ourselves and our children
- Adopting appropriate expectations of children
- Enhancing your ability to provide nurturing care



There are 2 workshops available for you to choose from:

Workshop 1: Wednesdays 5-6pm (starting March 1<sup>st</sup> \*

Workshop 2: Thursdays 1.30-2.30-pm (starting March 2<sup>nd</sup> \*

They will last for 5 consecutive weeks and we ask, where possible, for you to attend all of the sessions. If you would like to come along, please email us with your full name, which workshop you would like to attend and your preferred contact number. If neither suit your schedule, you can always register your interest now for future workshop opportunities that will become available later on in the year. \*Please note that the workshops will only run, subject to final numbers.

If you could sign up by Friday 24th February 2023 to allow us to confirm numbers and then Mrs Churcher will be in touch before the workshops start, to provide further information and to answer any questions you may have.

To register your interest, please contact Mrs Churcher via email [leighchurcher@devoranschool.co.uk](mailto:leighchurcher@devoranschool.co.uk)



# LET'S CONNECT



6-12  
FEBRUARY  
2023

## TIPS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Dear parents and carers,

6 - 12 February 2023 is Children's Mental Health Week. The week is run by children's mental health charity Place2Be to raise awareness of the importance of children and young people's mental health. This year's theme is Let's Connect.

### WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

Let's Connect is about making meaningful connections, and for Children's Mental Health Week 2023, Place2Be is encouraging people to connect with others in healthy, rewarding and meaningful ways.

As parents and carers, you are an important role model to your child. How you connect with friends and family will influence your child, and how they develop their own friendships and relationships. For example, how you greet people and maintain friendships, but also how you forgive people or say sorry when you need to.

### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Here are a few simple ways you can connect with your child and help them to make meaningful connections.

#### 1. Connect with your child in everyday ways

Moments of connection (and re-connection) are really important in child-caregiver relationships. For example, when you pick them up from school, or come in from work, try to give them your full attention and see if this helps you feel better connected as you hug, talk, smile and hear about their day. Watching your child play and joining in is really important to them – so put your phone away and have a bit of fun – being playful is good for adults, too!

With your older child, you may find times such as car journeys a good time to talk, or to re-connect by playing music you both like. It is important to be accessible to a teenager when they need to talk. You may have to be there 'on their terms' and be ready to listen.

#### 2. Talk to your child about important connections

This could include talking about family members, friends, neighbours, childminders, people in the local community and others in your faith group (if you have one). Remember it's ok to talk about people they miss, for example, family members who live in a different country or people who have died.

Children learn a lot from their parents about how to express their feelings, including the joy that comes with feeling connected to others and the sadness that comes with missing others.

#### 3. Talk to your child about their friends

As children become teenagers, their friendship groups become increasingly important to them. Be open to hearing about their friendships and try to listen without judgement.

#ChildrensMentalHealthWeek

### Important message from KeyWear

KeyWear will be closed from Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February. Any web orders will be monitored so if you need any uniform, please choose "click and collect" and they will arrange an evening collection for you.

E: [keywearuniforms@gmail.com](mailto:keywearuniforms@gmail.com)

T: 01872 242233 | M: 07894150004

W: [www.keywearuniforms.co.uk](http://www.keywearuniforms.co.uk)



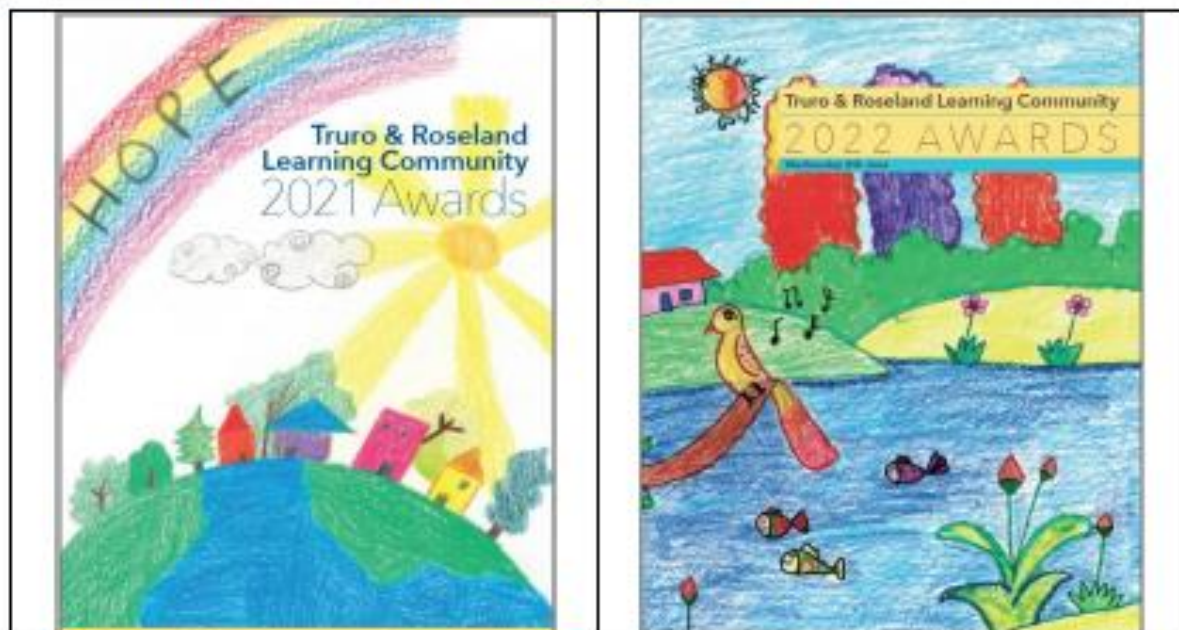
## Truro & Roseland Learning Community (TRLIC)

### Art competition 2022/23

The annual TRLC Awards event is due to take place on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at Truro Cathedral. We intend to help celebrate this important event by inviting pupils/students from the TRLC group of schools to have the chance to submit a piece of Art that will feature in the brochure that will be distributed to all guests at the event.

For those wishing to enter the competition the broad theme for the art work is 'Our Cornish Community'. The Art work needs to be produced in colour as an A4 size and presented in portrait view, in jpeg format. Your school, child's name and age need to appear on the rear of the A4 Art work.

Entries need to be made to your school/college **by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023** at the latest. Please email entries to Sharon Tippet, TRLC Administrator: [admin@devoranschool.co.uk](mailto:admin@devoranschool.co.uk)



Your Art work could appear on the brochure  
for this year!