

DEVORAN NEWS

Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

This week sees the start of the Year 6 SAT's assessments. Our children have worked incredibly hard throughout their time with us at Devoran and are well prepared for this week. We wish all them all the very best of luck, but also want to remind our brilliant students that they are special and that this is one moment in time, an assessment which does not take into account all the important attributes which makes them so unique. You've got this Year 6!

Great news... today we officially welcome Miss Lock back from her maternity leave. I would like to thank you all for the support I have received during this period and I look forward to continue seeing you all on the gate!

Best Wishes

Mrs Morris

Hatchbox Photography

Class photos are now available with a 10% discount until Sunday 19 May. Please use the QR code that your child received last week to complete the order. Year 6 and Foundation children will receive a 'bonus' QR code for a Moving Memories video clip. Thank you



Please come and join us on the field for our Sports Day on Wednesday 12 June at 09:30

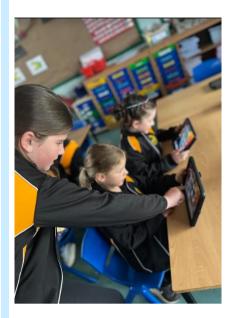
Mental Health Awareness Week

MENTAL WEALTH AWARENESS WEALTH WEEK 13-19 MAY 2024 13-19 MAY 2024

This week we will be celebrating Mental Health Awareness Week and threading this through our curriculum. For our adults, there is lots of information and advice available here. We are also here to help!



Digital Leaders







Our Digital Leaders have been busy this week....they have been leading a KS1 break time club. The Digital Leaders came up with this idea to help support the KS1 children access iPads and beebots. It has been a real success and credit to the Digital Leaders for designing posters and supporting our KS1 children.

Foundation Stage







Foundation Stage have been having a wonderful time with their topic 'Down at the Bottom of the Garden' where they have been identifying mini-beasts and growing cress.





House Points

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Upcoming Dates for your Diary...

Year 6 SAT's Week-13-16 May

Year Four Camp—Wednesday 15 to Friday 17 May

Half Term—Monday 27 to Friday 31 May

SPORTS DAY—Wednesday 12 June

Non-uniform Day—Friday 14 June (please bring donations for raffle and tombola)

Year 5 Camp—19-21 June

Year 6 Camp —21-24 June

Year 3 Camp —27-28 June

Summer Fayre—Saturday 13 July

Summer Term Finishes—Friday 19 July

Information from Cornwall Council

Household Support Fund 2024/25

The entitlement criteria for the Household Support Fund is changing.

In order to be entitled to a payment from the Household Support Fund scheme in 2024, you must be responsible for at least one child and on 3 June 2024 either:

be entitled to Council Tax Support or have been placed in emergency accommodation by the Council

You will receive £80 per child. If you are already in receipt of Council Tax Support, then you don't have to do anything else – you will receive your payment automatically.

To find out if you are eligible for Council Tax Support, please check the information here https://www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators.

You can make a claim for Council Tax Support by using this link https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/ benefits-and-support/council-tax-support/apply-for-council-tax-support/

It is important that you submit your application by 31 May 2024.

You may also be entitled to help from the Household Support Fund via one of partners. Their details can be found here https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/household-support-fund/

Why have we made this change?

Because entitlement to Free school meals has been protected since 2018, parents of children who are entitled to free school meals aren't always still on a low income. By using our Council Tax Support data, we can ensure that the Household Support Fund awards are going to parents who currently have a low income and are struggling with the increased costs of running their home. By better targeting the awards, we are able to help families with children of any age, rather than just school age children.

Families of children in receipt of free school meals can still access help through the Time2Move holiday programme. This scheme offers fun physical activities, games and wider activities plus a meal for all children during the main school holiday periods.

Devoran School PTCA

AGM

We held our AGM on Monday 29th April 2024 where we discussed the past year, events coming up and how the PTCA money will be spent. We were extremely pleased to report that since last April we have raised over an amazing £5,000.00. We attach a poster setting out how this money has been raised and what it has been used for. We are a small committee with only 4 members and all money raised directly benefits your children. Thank you for your continued support.

We are also looking at potentially running events such as quizzes and race nights and will be shortly sending out polls on Whatsapp groups to see if this is something the Devoran School community would be interested in.

Upcoming Events

Further information on upcoming events:-

Summer Festival

- We will again be hosting a Summer Festival carrying on the success from last year with live music, BBQ and bar along with all the usual stalls and entertainment
- More details to follow but we will greatly need help so if anyone knows anyone who plays in a band/can help asking for raffle prizes/ideas for stalls then please email devoranptca@mail.com
- Also last year we had the police and coastguard attend which were very popular – if anyone has any contacts for the fire service, military or any other organisation that you think the children would enjoy then again please email devoranptca@mail.com
- One of the committee will be present on each of the Ice Lolly Fridays so please chat to us about any help or ideas you can give.



Upcoming Events

10 May

After School

Ice Lolly Fridays to begin. 50p each, every Friday till the end of half term

14 June

Donation Day for the Summer Festival

Non Uniform Day in return for donations towards Raffle & Tombolas

13 July

Summer Festival





Online safety Updates...

Resources for you to use at home...



<u>Get smart about smartphone safety | Internet Matters</u>

<u>Talk PANTS - Updated Webinar for Parents</u> (youtube.com)

<u>Get smart about smartphones | Internet Matters</u> <u>by Internet Matters - Flipsnack</u>



There is a growing group of families who are interested in a Smartphone Free Childhood. If this is something that you are interested in please see below for some links.

https://linktr.ee/smartphonefreechildhood https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/ https://www.kidsfornow.org.uk/





Do you receive any of the following?

- Income support
- Employment Support Allowance (Income Related)
- Income based Job Seekers Allowance
- Guaranteed Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit and your income (as calculated by the Inland Revenue) is less than £16,190
- Universal Credit
- Receiving support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act of 1999
- In the Armed Forces

If you can answer yes to any of the above you may qualify for free school meals/Pupil Premium

The school office will help with your application. If your application is successful not only will your child receive free school meals, but our school will receive £1,300 additional funding (per child). This is called Pupil Premium.

All applications are confidential.

