

# Message from the Head

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

We hope you all had a restful half term and that you were able to make the most of the warmer weather? We are really looking forward to our Sports Day next Wednesday 12 June at 09:30 and you are warmly invited to attend. Feel free to bring a blanket to sit on, a travel cup and some coins / a smartphone so that you can buy a drink and a pastry from the PTCA! It is through events like this, discos, fayres and ice-lolly sales that help to give our children amazing opportunities such as the Image Theatre performance that took place today completely funded by the PTCA. More information on the next page of the Newsletter! Best wishes Miss Lock

Year Six Trip to Bodmin Keep

You may have noticed that the Year 6 children came into school on the Friday before half term dressed slightly differently than normal... To make links with their WWII topic, the children came into school dressed in clothes from the WWII era and then visited Bodmin Keep – Cornwall's army museum and took part in various workshops and team building exercises. The children really impressed the staff and one staff member from Bodmin Keep went out of their way to email the school to say the following:

"I was at the Bodmin Museum today doing military team building with pupils from Devoran School. They were a credit to the school so well behaved."

Well done Year 6 for continuing to set a really good standard and being excellent ambassadors for the school.

"Last Friday before half term, Devoran School Year 6 went to Bodmin Keep; we learnt about the soldiers at the camp, the officers and the wardens. We saw some ancient artefacts. old machinery and great big statues. We learnt to tie knots and lots of team building exercises. Thank you Bodmin Keep!" By Jack, Year 6

"Last Friday, Year 6 went on a school trip to Bodmin Keep. Everybody had such a nice time looking at all the artefacts and other awesome things from the past. At the end, there was a fun team building game which everybody enjoyed. All the







staff were so friendly." By Flora, Year 6



























### **Image Theatre**

The children watched a wonderful performance by Image Theatre of the Selfish Giant. The messages of sharing and friendship were threaded through the story and we had a huge amount of fun joining in with the songs. Thank you to our PTCA for funding this lovely experience. We are already looking forward to next year and 'The Jungle Book'.



#### Library is Open!

We are so proud of our children and the way that they enjoy reading a wide range of books.

Please remember that our school library is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays straight after school and the children (and adults) are welcome to come in, choose a book to read and even take home for the week.

Our library has a wide range of texts suitable for all ages. It is run by our school librarians who would love to see you and welcome you!



### **Tennis Festival**

Some of the children from Years 3, 4 and 5 headed to Penair on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> to take part in their Tennis Festival. This was a multi-skills event with lots of tennis skills and mini rallies. All of the children enjoyed their morning, representing Devoran School really well and came away with big smiles.

Here is what the children had to say:

"It was really fun" "We all enjoyed it" "If I could come again I would definitely take the chance" "It was a great way to spend the morning with each other" "The Sports Leaders were really kind"

"I loved participating and having fun"

"I learnt great new skills" "If was very inclusive to all the children"

Well done to all the children and thank you to Mrs French for taking the children to this event and to all our drivers!



# **Household Support Fund**

The entitlement criteria for automatic payments from 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<sup>rd</sup> 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 <u>https://www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators</u>.

You can make a claim for Council Tax Support by using this link <u>https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/benefits-and-</u> <u>support/council-tax-support/apply-for-council-tax-support/</u> It is important that you submit your application by 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024.

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

