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Summer Term 2024 Friday 7th June

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the final half-term of the school year! We are delighted to report that the school environment has been calm and focused, with children fully engaged in their learning. As we approach the end of the year, we are excited to see the progress our students continue to make and look forward to a productive and enjoyable term ahead. Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to our school community.

EYFS

This week in the EYFS, our young learners have been diving into their exciting "Splash" topic. They've had a fantastic time playing with water in the outdoor area, which has sparked their imagination and creativity. The children enthusiastically role-played as pirates, embarking on thrilling treasure hunts and constructing impressive pirate ships. It's been a week full of adventure and discovery, making learning both fun and engaging.

<u>Year 1 & 2</u>

Key Stage 1 children have returned from half-term with great enthusiasm, eager to maintain their wonderful garden area. They are thrilled to see their fruit trees beginning to flower and are working together to take care of this special space. Year 1 students have been studying place value, engaging with interactive games to enhance their understanding. Meanwhile, Year 2 has started their new topic on 'position and direction,' using our outdoor environment to explore these concepts. They are especially excited to be using the Beebots today for hands-on learning!

Year 3 & 4

Year 3 and 4 have been out and about around the estate this week, putting their statistics and data handling skills into practice. They conducted a survey to determine the most popular car colour in our local area. Using tally charts to collect the data, they then presented their findings in bar charts. Be sure to ask your children about the interesting results they discovered!

KS1 Phonics Screening test

Next week, our Year 1 and some of our Year 2 children will be undertaking their phonics screening check, a national statutory assessment designed to evaluate children's phonics levels. This important check helps us ensure that our students are progressing well in their reading skills. For further information about the check, please visit this link. Alternatively, feel free to contact Miss Ridge with any questions you may have.

Staff training

This week, our school took an important step towards fostering a more inclusive and equitable environment by hosting a comprehensive workshop on anti-racism for all staff members. This vital training aimed to equip our educators with the knowledge and tools to actively combat racism within our school community and promote a culture of understanding and respect. We were pleased to welcome partners from various local agencies, Including the police, who shared valuable insights and perspectives. Our dedicated governors also attended, demonstrating their commitment to this crucial initiative. Together, we are moving towards becoming an anti-racist school, united in our effort to create a safe and supportive environment for every student.

Miss Fran Lilley.

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SPORTS

Children attending their after school clubs were treated to a special netball training session! Charlotte and a team of students from Newton Abbot College were in attendance, offering a fantastic experience. The children enjoyed learning and improving their skills through a selection of fun activities.



DEVON COUNTY SHOW

Our fabulous singing club enjoyed a wonderful day at the Devon County Show, including singing on stage, meeting lots of animals, exploring the stands/stalls, presenting a news report with Radio Devon and even doing some DJ-ing! Their confident performance on the bandstand was a joy to watch, especially as this was a debut for some of our newer members! All the children involved were a credit to Highweek Primary School and loved the experience of performing on a real stage to a large audience. A huge thank you to Devon & Torbay Music Education Hub for the opportunity and to all our families who transported children to the event and supported us in the audience! Go singing club! 🕼 🔊



Class	W/C 13th May	W/C 20th May	
Taw	93.9%	87.3%	
Mole	90.3%	83%	
Mardle	90.4%	93.1%	
Bovey	90.6%	90%	
Таvy	90%	91.7%	
Plym	94.4%	96.7%	
Exe	87.5%	93.6%	
Dart	87.1%	90.3%	
Tamar	95.2%	94.5%	
Torridge	9 94.3% 95.3%		
Teign	98.6%	92.9%	

ATTENDANCE

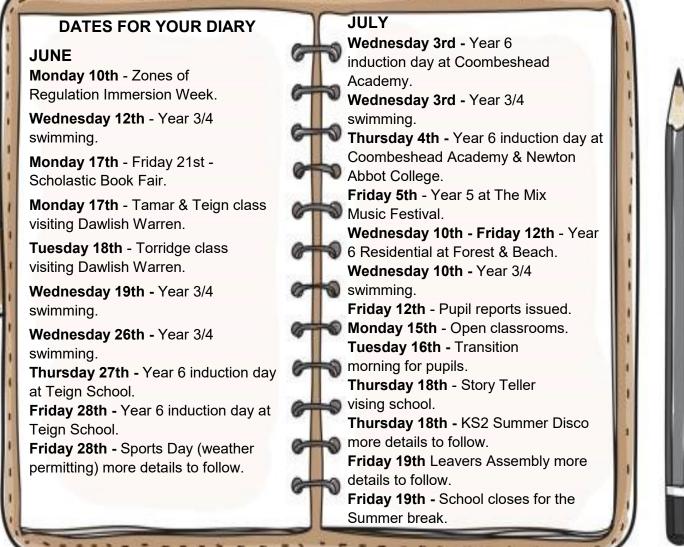
Teign class had 98.6% attendance for the period of 13th - 17th May 2024.

Plym class had 96.7% attendance for the period of 20th – 24th May 2024.

Remember our whole school attendance target for the year we are working towards is 96.2%.

It is essential for children to attend as much school as possible if they are to get the most from their education and achieve their full potential.







Well done to our Friday Flyers. Our Friday Flyers promote our work around developing Growth Mindset and a can do attitude.

Theme	Able to examine mistakes		Embracing Challenge	
Date	Weekending Friday 24th May		Weekending Friday 7th June	
Bovey	Evelyn Wilkes	Rose Green	Kayden Breslan	Rhys Smith
Dart	Felicity Godfrey	Harry Phillips	Diego Balladares	Bailey Riley
Exe	Maisie Williams	Freddie Collins	Sive Williams	Tommy Underwood
Mardle	Nala-Rose Worton	Zion Oluwatayo	Claude-Gray Conway	Blue Carter
Plym	Amelia Sims	Tony Lee	Ethan Holdway	Aimee Bolton
Tamar	Bella Davis	Jago Rhodes	Lucas Reeve	Lennox Evans
Tavy	Eleanor Hardy	Harper Stevenson	Tommy Wines	Harry Tooley
Teign	Kyle Rendell	Rebecca O'Connor	George De-Abreu	Alfie Driver
Torridge	TJ Brown	Jack Freeston	Felix Miller-Sledge	Harris Storer

Well done to our Accelerated Readers

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750,000 words

1 million words

1.5 million words

Jaydyn Mbulayi, Sive Williams, Jago Rhodes & Eva Bradford

Benjamin Williams, Jessica Webster & Albie Gillingwater. Ignas Silevicius, Elizabeth Cookson, Paige Payton & Eloise Lidster. Soraya Williams.

Jonas Silevicius.





Do something you enjoy and are good at



Keep yourself hydrated

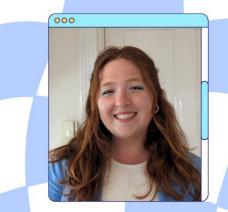
We all have different hobbies and activities we enjoy. Have a think – what are yours? How often do you get to do things you enjoy and are good at? What do you want to do more of?

Doing things that we enjoy and are good at helps us feel really GOOD and proud of ourselves! We want more of that, don't we?

OOO 3. Keep yourself hydrated

The weather at the moment is a bit strange, but as summer comes it's really important we look after our bodies and drink enough water (not just fizzy drinks!)

Our bodies are nearly 75% water – we can't function without it! Drinking enough helps make sure our brains are working properly, which helps us feel happier and more in control.



What kind of activities am I good at and enjoy? I love reading, art and going for walks with my dogs! I am trying to get better at drinking enough water, so watch this space...

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