

DEVORAN NEWS

Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

The Year Five Enterprise Project has been a real highlight of the week for me. On Wednesday, the children went down to sell their bags at the Farmers Market. They were talking with the general public about their project and explaining how they have made the denim bags out of old pairs of jeans. All the money raised is going towards the Goblin Racecar Project. Well done Year Five – I am incredibly proud of you all; you have all come together as a team and have shown strengths in many areas – from branding, to advertising, selling, pitching, designing and sewing. Thank you to Mr Tilley and Mrs Hosken and to all the friends and family who supported us in this project.

Last Thursday Annabelle in Year 5 competed in the County Cross Country Finals in Newquay, representing not just Devoran School but also our Peninsular cluster. Annabelle ran incredibly well, finishing in the top 40th for her age range out of the whole of Cornwall. Annabelle's points helped our Peninsular cluster finish 2nd overall. Well done Annabelle!

Last Saturday, Tom R in Year 3 reached a Parkrun Milestone by completing a staggering 50 Parkruns! Tom has showed great motivation and commitment in all weather conditions to become successful. You may notice Tom in a red 50 milestone T-shirt on your next run. Well done Tom!

This week you will have received your child's report (except Foundation Stage who receive theirs in the Summer Term). I would like to thank the teachers for all of their hard work in writing the reports and demonstrating such good knowledge of the children in their care. If you haven't already done so, please do return the parent comment slip to the office after the holidays.

Today we said a fond farewell to Mrs A who is leaving the school to pursue other dreams and ambitions. We wish her all the luck in her future endeavours and would like to take this opportunity to say a huge 'thank you' for everything you have done for the children, parents and staff at Devoran School. You will be missed Mrs A!

I am delighted to share with you the news that Miss Pearce is going to remain with us until the end of the Summer Term. After this, she is going to go and explore new adventures and may even do some volunteer teaching abroad! We are so grateful that Miss Pearce will be staying with the Year Three class until the end of the year. Miss J (now Mrs Clay) will be working with the Year 3 children on her return. As you are aware, Mr Tilley has been on a maternity contract this year, but I am thrilled to share the news with you that Mr Tilley has been made a permanent member of the Devoran Team. Congratulations Mr Tilley!

I hope that you all have a wonderful Easter and that you all enjoy a well-deserved rest.

Best wishes Miss Lock School week commencing 1st April 96.5% - whole school attendance Attendance Congratulations: 1st place is Year 5 with 98.3%!

Classes above 97%

I hope you all enjoy a well-deserved holiday and look forward to seeing you all fit and healthy in the new term

Key Dates

Tuesday 23 April - Children and staff return Monday 6 May – Bank Holiday Monday Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May – Half Term Friday 19 July – term finishes at 13:30pm INSET DAYS (no children) – Monday 22 – Thursday 25 July

Other dates

Tuesday 23 April - Year Five camp meeting — 2:30pm

Tuesday 7 May – Year Three Sharing Assembly (2:30pm)

Tuesday 14 May – Year One Sharing Assembly (2:30pm)

Friday 17 May - Sports Day (afternoon)
Tuesday 21 May – Year Two Sharing Assembly (2:30pm)

Tuesday 11 June – Year Six Sharing Assembly (2:30pm)

Tuesday 18 June – Year Four Sharing Assembly (2:30pm)

Tuesday 2 July – Year Foundation Assembly (2:30pm)

Tuesday 9 July – Year Five Sharing Assembly (2:30pm)



Last Friday we welcomed Cllr Richard Brickell and Debra Roberts into our assembly to announce the winners of the Speed Awareness Campaign.

The winners are:

1st place – Aydan Y6 – "We use this road too please slow down"

2nd place – Florence L Y5 – "Live Children, Dead Slow"

3rd place – George B Y5 – "Slow and Steady all the Way"

4th place – Lola Y5 – "Please be careful children crossing"

The posters above are going to be made into signs that you will see around

the village. Thank you to all the children who entered designs into the competition.



Over the last few weeks, Year 2 and Year 5 have been trialling Mathletics as part of their home learning. We have received a lot of really positive responses from both children and parents.

If your child is in Years 1-6, they will have received a Mathletics login and password which is attached to a brief letter to you explaining what Mathletics is.

Over the holidays, please let your child play around with the 'Live' section of the website and play against other children all around the world!

We hope that your child enjoys exploring this. Assignments will be set after staff have received some training on this in the first week back.

On **Wednesday 24th April at 14:50** (just before collection time) there will be an information session for parents in the School Hall to go through Mathletics and how you can support the use of it at home.



Do you need support in helping your child with reading, punctuation, spelling or grammar at home? Follow the link below for guides to see how you can support your child at home:

Mathletics

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/grammar-punctuation-and-spelling-made-easy/

The **PTCA AGM** has been rescheduled for Tuesday 30 April at 6pm and will take place at Devoran School.

