

DEVORAN NEWS

Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a fabulous Easter break? The children have settled really quickly back into their school routines and there is some really exciting learning going on around the school.

A big well done to our Year 6 Biathlon athletes who took part in the Cornwall Spring Games Finals today at the Ben Ainslie Centre. All athletes complete 8 x laps of the swimming pool - 200m and a 1500m run. You were great ambassadors for the school – well done!

There is a lot of information in the newsletter this week – as requested by Parents and Parent Forum, we will endeavour to give you the information as far in advance as we are able to. Have a lovely weekend

Best wishes, Miss Lock



It has been necessary to make a change to the school dinner menu on **Monday 23**rd and **Tuesday 24**th **April**. Monday – chicken and vegetable pasta / veggie sausages Tuesday – lamb meatballs, tomato sauce with pasta / cheese and tomato pizza

You will all need to go on to Parent Pay and rebook your child's school dinners for these days. Thank you for your cooperation.



- 1) All **camp forms** need to be back to the school office as soon as possible.
- Please ensure that your child's PE kit is back in school and that they have the correct PE uniform.
- 3) Please ensure that your child has a **named sunhat** in school with them and, if you wish, a **named bottle of suncream***.

*we are not able to apply suncream to your child. They will need to do this themselves (but will be supervised by an adult).

School week commencing 16th April

97.6% - whole school attendance Attendance Congratulations: 1st place is Year 3 and Year 4 with 99.7%

Classes with over 97% and above

Year 3 Year 4

Year 5 Year 1

Well done to these classes!



Key dates

Tuesday 1st May –Foundation sharing assembly Tuesday 8th May - Year One sharing assembly Tuesday 15th May-Year Three sharing assembly Thursday 17th May – PTCA Royal Wedding Disco for all classes (more details to follow from PTCA next week)

Friday 25th May – Sports Day for all year groups (weather permitting - more details to follow)

Tuesday 12th June- Year Six sharing assembly Tuesday 19th June - Year Five sharing assembly Tuesday 26th June - Year Two sharing assembly Tuesday 10th July - Year Four sharing assembly

STAFF NEWS

Mrs Stephens is going to be leaving us on Friday 27th April to pursue other roles and hobbies. Mrs Stephens has worked with a great many children across the school and will be sorely missed by the whole Devoran team. I am sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Stephens all the best for the future.

We are currently looking to recruit some Midday Assistants to support our lunchtime provision in school. We will consider part time (2/3 days a week as well as full time applications). Timings would be from 11:45-13:15 / 12:00-13:15. To find out more, please speak to Victoria Lock or Julia Dodd.

Re-scheduled Alternative Sports Fayre - Monday 23rd April

The Alternative Sports Fayre is taking place next Monday 23rd April. So far we have had confirmation ranging from Arrows-Zumba and everything in between – incl. bowls, SUPs, park runs, obstacle races, martial arts, wakeboarding, sailing, yoga and kayaking.

We hope to see you there after school where the children will be able to find out more about the range of sports available to them in the local area.

Parent Forum Minutes from our March meeting are available on our website – go to the Parent Zone tab for more information on the Parent Forum. You will also find the Terms of Reference here.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th May at 5pm.

Agenda:

1) Ratifying the updated Terms of Reference

We will review the Terms of Reference and discuss how we are going to move forward, using Parent Forum to help us reach out to parents to ask for views on certain topics.

2) Maths homework

Teachers have commented that some parents have had trouble logging into MyMaths despite trying solutions such as Puffin Academy. Some parents have expressed a desire to bring back the maths homework books. As a school, we feel we are able to tailor the maths better by using MyMaths, but we are open to discussion and welcome any solutions you may have - would it help to do one week online, one week written, for example?

3) Residentials

At Devoran, we pride ourselves on providing the children with a range of wonderful experiences that directly link to the learning that happens both in and outside of school. It has been brought to our attention that some parents are not happy with the cost. As a school, we never make a profit from these school residentials, but we also need to ensure that we cover our costs.

Should every year group go on a residential? Are the costs acceptable?

This year, the London trip has cost a lot more than it has in the past. This is as a result of hiring our own coach and going through a tour company. Should Year 6 go to London? Should we look at changing the residential to somewhere closer to home and make it more of a 'PGL activity' type of residential?

Devoran School Uniform

We encourage a high standard of dress at Devoran and we would be very grateful if you would comply with the current options. Governors and staff thank parents for their support in this matter.

Boys Girls

Dark grey trousers or shorts Dark grey pinafore dress (FS-Yr2) White short sleeved polo shirt (FS-Yr5) White short/long sleeved shirt (Yr6) Tartan tie (available from school (Yr6))

School logoed jumper/cardigan

Grey socks

Sensible black shoes (not

trainers or canvas shoes)

Dark grey skirt, trousers or shorts

White short sleeved polo shirt (FS-Yr5) White short/long sleeved shirt (Yr6)

Tartan tie (available from school (Yr6))

School logoed jumper/cardigan

Grey socks or tights

White ankle socks in summer (FS_Yr5)

Gold/yellow check gingham dress (summer)

Sensible black shoes (not trainers, canvas or open toed sandals)

Boys PE Girls PE

Gold logoed T-shirt Gold logoed T-shirt Black shorts Black shorts or skort Black plimsolls/trainers Black plimsolls/trainers Black tracksuit (optional) Black tracksuit (optional)

Boys Swimming Girls swimming Swimming trunks One piece costume

Towel Towel Separate bag Separate bag

Bathing cap (available from the pool) Bathing cap (available from the pool)

> School Uniform including: logoed jumpers, cardigans, polo shirts, PE T-shirts & bags Telephone: 01872 242233 are available from: Keywear Uniform Shop, Truro

Please ensure all items are clearly named

All PE kit should be kept in a named drawstring bag (available from Keywear) which should be left at school. Kits are usually sent home for washing at half-term.

Football and netball strip is provided for the school teams when taking part in competitions. The players may use their own choice of football kit for football training.

DEVORAN SCHOOL PTCA

The School PTCA is re-forming and

needs your help!

Vision

- All inclusive group ideally at least one member per class
- Class sub-groups can then run their own events
- Lots of people doing a little
- Bring together the community
- Raise much needed funds for the school
- Have fun!

To get involved, please come to our next meeting at....

The Carnon Inn 8pm Monday 23 April

or email.... devoranptca@mail.com

HAVE YOUR SAY!

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) provision in Cornwall



COMPLETE OUR ONLINE SURVEY!

We want to get an up to date summary of people's views and measure change. Your answers will help us do things better in the future.



There are two types of survey:

- One for children and young people with SEND
- One for parents, carers, families and practitioners working with children and young people with SEND

You may complete the survey twice to share views from different perspectives.



The online survey will run from 17 April - 15 May 2018.



It will only take 5-10 minutes to complete.

A report of the findings will be drawn up and publicised. You can find more information about SEND events, consultation and feedback on Cornwall Council's SEN File.



Visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/send to complete the online survey or find out more information.

To request the survey in alternative format or if you have any questions please email send@cornwall.gov.uk. An easy read version of the survey can be requested by calling 01872 323279.



ARE YOU OR YOUR CHILD LIVING WITH ALLERGIES?

We are the only UK wide charity solely focused on supporting people at risk of severe allergic reactions.

We hold Support group meetings throughout the UK. Our groups are organised by friendly volunteers who know from experience the day to day challenges of living with allergies. Some meetings are also supported by local medical speakers.

Support groups are a chance to share experiences, swap tips and talk about what's on your mind in a relaxed, supportive setting. Groups are open to adults as well as families.

Spaces are free however booking is essential.

Email: supportgroup@anaphylaxis.org.uk

Phone: 01252 546100

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