



DEVORAN NEWS

Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a really positive first week back filled with some really great activities in all classes as well as the Halloween discos which were really well attended by the children and fantastically supported by you all. Thank you so much to the PTCA and all the parent volunteers who gave up time and helped to make this such a successful event for our children.

The first Sharing Assembly of the term was led by Year 6 and they have set a very high standard for other year groups to follow. They have clearly been very focused on their topic learning and as a result have created some wonderful writing and ceramic work. Well done Year 6!

To raise awareness to our children of the importance of Black History Month which takes place every October, we have enjoyed two workshops this week – an African Storytelling Workshop as well as a Djembe Drumming Workshop. The children have really enjoyed taking part in these and have enjoyed making these cultural links to areas of their learning.

Today you will have received your child's Target Sheet. These are targets for you to be working on at home with your child.

We are selling poppies in school next week, so please do send donations in with your child. There are also key fobs, pencils, rubbers, pencil sharpeners and rulers to buy as part of the poppy appeal.

In sporting news, we have also had a really successful week; our netball team finished 2nd overall at the tournament which took place at The Sir Ben Ainslie Centre, Truro School on Thursday, and our football team got through to the semi-finals in their tournament this afternoon. Congratulations on these impressive results!

Next week, Year 4 are having a 'Fashion Day' as part of their topic learning. Please note, **only Year 4** are wearing their own clothes on Monday; it is not an own-clothes day!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend,
Best wishes
Miss Lock

Year 5 are currently building a car to enter into the Greenpower Goblin race event in June 2019. **They need a design for the car!** If you would like to help, please pick up a design brief from either Year 2 (Mr Morse) or Year 5 (Mr Tilley) and they will decide which design suits best. Remember, this car has to represent Devoran School so anything Cornish or Devoran themed would be preferred.



School week commencing 29th October

96.5% - whole school attendance

Attendance Congratulations:

1st place is Year 1 with 99.7%!

Classes above 97%

**Year 1, Year 3 and
Year 5**



Key Dates

SHARING ASSEMBLIES:

All assemblies are on Tuesdays at 2:30pm

6th 13th November – Year Five

20th November – Year Three

27th November – Year Two

4th December – Year One

11th December – Year Four

PARENT CONSULTATIONS: (appointments to follow)

Tuesday 20th November

~~Wednesday 21st November~~ changed to
Thursday 22nd November

Wednesday 21st November - City of Lights
(Year 6)

Tuesday 27th November – Tempest Photos
(all classes)

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Friday 9th November (3pm-4:15pm)

Monday 12th November (3pm-4:15pm)

Tuesday 13th November (3pm-4:15pm)

During this term, we will be starting a new and exciting spelling programme in years 2 – 6 called 'Read Write Inc. Spelling'. It involves daily teaching that will develop secure spelling knowledge. Phonics underpins this programme, it also develops children's knowledge of word families, how suffixes impact upon root words, and provides mnemonics to remember the trickiest spellings. Instead of 'weekly spelling words' with a test set weekly, children will get a set of words per unit to learn (units last up to 2 weeks) that they will practise and challenge each other on using fun and engaging tasks, allowing the children to play with words and help them find ways to commit new words to memory effectively. Any extra support you can provide in helping your child to practise these words is greatly valued.

Read Write Inc.
Spelling

**Thank you so much
to the PTCA for
organising such a fun
disco for our children.
Great fun was had by
all!**



Next fundraising event:



Online auction coming soon to the PTCA Facebook page. More details to follow next week. The PTCA have kindly been gifted a number of new games and skateboards by local charity Turn to Starboard.

As a fund raiser we intend to hold a market night on the PTCA Facebook page with a percentage of the proceeds being returned to the charity. Please keep an eye on the Facebook page next week for more details.