



# DEVORAN NEWS

## Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

The children are showing such focus and resilience in their learning – school is feeling incredibly calm at the moment and it is really pleasing to see the progress that the children are making.

We are all excited about the run up to Christmas and the teachers have been planning loads of great activities to help everyone get into the Christmas spirit. We were also lucky enough to have a large Christmas tree donated to us by Sarah Seddon and we hope that you all enjoy seeing it as you drop off or collect your children.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Miss Lock

## November Numeracy Challenge

The results are in from our Mathletics November Numeracy challenge; Devoran came 215th out of 674 schools worldwide. What a brilliant achievement! More Devoran children took part in this challenge than ever before. Now, to the part you have all been waiting for, the class placing. Year 3 came first, Year 1 second and Year 5 third. The trophy will be making its way to the Year 3 Classroom in time for Monday morning. Well done everyone who took part and congratulations to Year 3!

All years	ACTIVITY POINTS	LIVE POINTS	TOTAL POINTS	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD
Year 3	32980	3789	36769	16	4	0
Year 1	27740	767	28507	12	0	0
Year 5	23710	380	24090	5	1	0
Year 4	16210	87	16297	7	3	0
Year 2	14910	550	15460	4	1	0
Year 6	5730	252	5982	0	0	0

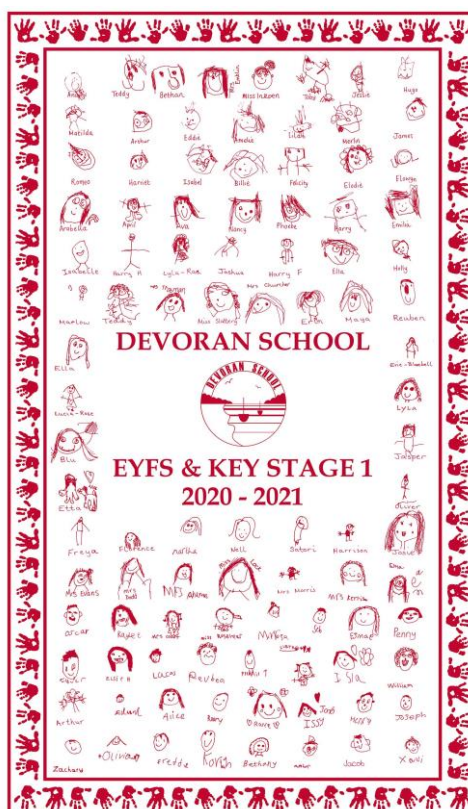
## PTCA Tea Towels

We are pleased to share with you the happy news that the Tea Towels have arrived!

We will be distributing the orders to you on Friday 4 December via book bags, so please keep an eye out!

If you missed out on ordering the tea towels and you would like to buy one, please let us know as we have a few in reserve. We will also be able to place an order later in the year should parents wish.

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has bought tea towels to help raise crucial funds for our school.



### Children in Need

We have been completely overwhelmed with how much money Devoran School managed to raise for Children in Need. Through the money in the bucket, donations on ParentPay and the staff duck race, we have raised an incredible £547.87. As a school, we don't think we have ever raised as much money on one Donation Day, so thank you all for your continued support and generosity.

### Parent support

The Together for Families team at Cornwall Council have developed some podcasts to support families. Their latest podcast has tips on staying calm, the teenage brain and Christmas. Their latest podcast can be found on the following link:

<https://open.spotify.com/episode/3w3A5oh8Z2tXJsmTvU0Lf>

### Sports in School

This week children in Year 5 & 6 have also competed against local schools in Penair's Virtual Netball and Basketball Skills. The challenges were shoulder passing to a friend and chest passing to a wall.

The results are as follows:

Year 5	Year 6
Shoulder pass in pairs School winner: Devoran Individual winner: Jacob C and Leo C	Shoulder pass in pairs School winner: Devoran – (37 passes) Individual winner: Primrose V and Summer R (55 passes)
Wall pass School winner: Devoran Individual winner: Eli L (43 passes)	Wall pass School winner: Devoran – (36 passes) Individual winner: Summer R (63 passes)
Overall school winner: Devoran	Overall winner: Devoran

Well done to everyone who took part. We look forward to taking part in more competitions next week!

### KS2 Christmas Carol Service – save the date!

We are delighted to share with you the news that we will be hosting a virtual carol service on **Tuesday 15 December** at **6pm**. The children in KS2 will pre-record the carol service and we ask that our families tune in on this date so that we can still get that sense of community that we all enjoy whilst also singing a few well-known traditional Christmas carols. The whole school community is invited to take part! More information to follow.

### Early Finish – Friday 18 December

On Friday 18 December school will finish earlier. The earlier finish times will be:

A-E	13:00
F-J	13:10
K-R	13:20
S-Z	13:30

### Christmas Cards in School

We appreciate that children enjoy sending cards to their friends and teachers. In order to allow us to continue this Christmas tradition, children may bring cards in on a Monday and put them in the Christmas post box that will be in their classroom. The cards will then remain in the post box until the Friday at which point they will be distributed. It is really important that children **only bring in cards on a Mondays** to enable enough time for the cards to be quarantined. Thank you for your help with this.

### Christmas Lunch / Party Afternoon

On Wednesday 16 December we look forward to our special Christmas Lunch. Please ensure that you have booked a lunch for your child on ParentPay – if you had previously booked, you may need to go back and re-book due to the menu change. We invite all children to come in in their party clothes and a Christmas jumper on this day. Each class will then have a special party afternoon following on from the lunch.



# Devoran Wraparound Care

Blue skies and sunshine have meant lots of outdoor fun this week and this was made even better by the fabulous new sports equipment we received, we couldn't wait to get our hands on it. So a big THANK YOU to Mrs Evans!

Some of the children asked for Maths challenges this week so we have been exploring making patterns, colouring by numbers, playing card games and making fortune tellers.



We also had great fun designing our own board games. The children came up with some fabulous ideas and enjoyed having a go at playing them in their bubbles.



Some of the children's choice activities included exploring nocturnal animals, Lego building and plenty of colouring and drawing.



The children love getting ready for the week ahead by letting us know which games and toys they would like for their bubble so they can be cleaned and quarantined ready for a new week.



### Community Christmas Events

Appealing to you and your schools families to join The Fishermen's Mission in a dose of Christmas spirit in a family friendly charity Zoom event on the 5<sup>th</sup> December.

During this event, taking place from 12pm for 1 hour, children will be able to meet Santa, as well as real reindeer and watch a Christmas craft by blogger Georgia Coote. Tickets cost £2 per household so a family can all sit at one laptop for that cost. This small donation will go towards helping us as a charity to provide vital pastoral, financial and emotional care to fishermen all around the UK who may be struggling with bereavement among other difficulties.

Here's the link - <https://fishmishmarket.org.uk/shop/fishmish-meet-santa/>



### Enrichment club opportunity – Primary Age Children

The Youth Sport Trust have taken the step to deliver a free virtual after school club as part of a national response to the second lockdown. The 30-minute club will take place at 5pm each weekday and be led by a different member of the YST's athlete mentor network, including sessions from the world no.1 female inline skater and 10-time British Champion Jenna Downing. The After School Sport Club will then run for five weeks until December 18 and children and young people can take part live by visiting our YouTube channel

- <http://www.youtube.com/user/YouthSportTrust>

Aimed mainly at primary-aged children, a different theme has been assigned for each day of the club - Adventure Monday, Tuesday Play, Wild Wednesday, Thinking Thursday and Fun Friday. The YST hope that this will provide support, capacity and inspiration to sit alongside the other great work and offers that are available for schools and children and young people to engage in.



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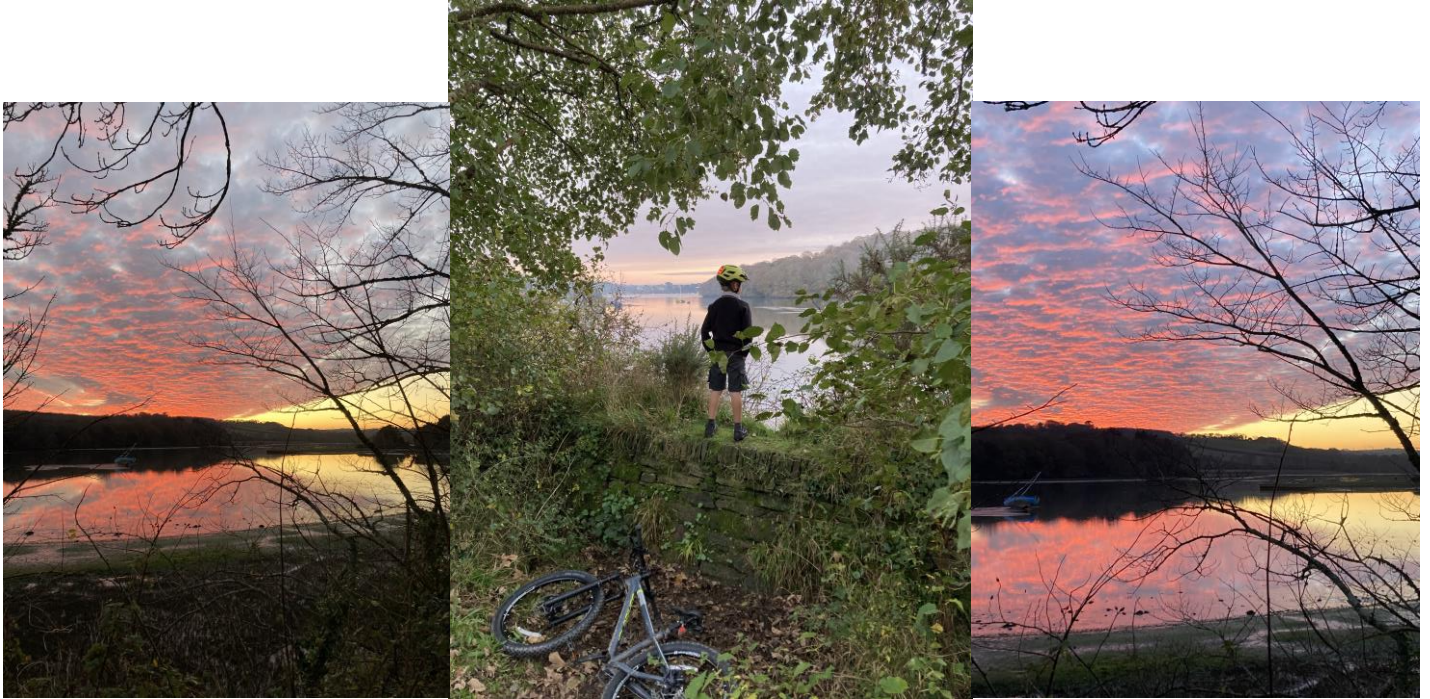


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future



### **Love where we live!**

I was delighted to receive these photos from a Devoran family this week on their commute home from school. We are so lucky to live in such beautiful surroundings – if you have photos that you would like to share, please email them to myself or Mrs Andrews and we look forward to sharing them with you all to help spread some cheer and celebrate the beautiful surrounds in which we are so lucky to live.



# **ARE YOU OUT OF WORK? DO YOU WANT TO ACHIEVE NEW GOALS?**

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information, advice and guidance?**

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# Cricket Christmas Camp



## Why?

Time filler between Xmas and  
New Year or new cricket  
pressies to try out?

A great opportunity to have  
the kids entertained with  
Cricket!

## Who?

Children  
School  
Years  
4-8

## Cost?

£25  
per child  
per day

## What?

Hardball  
Bring your own  
equipment!  
Clean and Covid-  
Ready

## When?

29-30  
December  
10am - 3pm

## Where?

Cricket Centre  
College Way  
Truro  
TR1 3XX

## BOOK HERE!

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# Cricket Christmas Camp



## Why?

Last minute Christmas shopping in Truro?

A great opportunity to have the kids entertained with Cricket!

## When?

**22-23**

December  
10am - 3pm

## Cost?

**£20**

per child  
per day

## Who?

**Children  
School  
Years  
1-5**

## What?

**Softball**

All equipment  
provided!  
Cleaned and Covid-  
Ready

**Where?**  
**Cricket Centre**  
College Way,  
Truro  
TR1 3XX

**BOOK HERE!**

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