

### Message from the Head

#### Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you all enjoyed the Easter break and that you were able to enjoy some quality time outside? This week has flown by which is a good sign that everyone has settled in really well after the Easter holidays. The sunshine certainly helps!

This week we heard the results of the Youth Speaks competition that three of our Year Six children participated in. We didn't win, but we are in the top 1% of schools in the whole of Devon and Cornwall who took part in this competition – and one out of four schools in the whole of Cornwall! The judges were so impressed with our entry that they awarded us with a £20 voucher to spend on books for our school library. Congratulations Amelie, Charlotte and George – we are very proud of you.



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I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes Miss Lock

#### **Allergy Awareness Week**

Allergy Awareness Week is just around the corner **(Monday 26th - 30th April 2021).** Devoran School and Autograph (school catering company) are committed to doing our bit in raising awareness on this very important issue. We want to make sure that everyone knows how to communicate a food allergy or intolerance so we can ensure that Autograph provide safe and nutritious meals for all children.

To find the allergy and intolerance forms, please click on this link: <u>http://www.devoran.cornwall.sch.uk/web/school\_dinners/301619</u>

We developed our Whole School Food Policy in order to support children with food allergies and intolerances as well as promoting health eating. The policy can be found <u>here</u>. Please help us to keep our children safe by sticking to the suggested tuck / snack items in the policy. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

#### **School Dinners - ParentPay**

Please remember to book your child's school dinners on ParentPay. Autograph have also now included a new section in which your child can select their pudding choice. It really helps Heidi and the team to know numbers for lunches in advance wherever possible.

Thank you for your cooperation with this. Any problems in booking online, please contact the school office.

#### Whole school music project

Over the next half term, children will be taking part in a whole school music project to continue our rainbow pathway curriculum. The project is called 'It's OK' and it is about understanding that any feelings we have are valid and that we should talk about them.

To incorporate some DT learning into this project, the children will be creating sock puppets in school. In order to create these, we are asking every child to bring in a sock that they are happy to turn into a sock puppet. Please can your child bring in a sock ready for next week.



#### **Food Hub Support**

To request food hub support, please use this <u>online form</u>. We will place orders for food every Monday afternoon with the aim of distributing it on a Friday. It would be really helpful if you can hand an empty, named shopper bag (or two) to the office by Monday morning for us to use.

This is open to all our families and all information will be kept in strictest confidence.

#### Captain Tom 100

The Captain Tom 100 celebrates Captain Tom's generosity of spirit, the hope and joy he brought to millions, and his sense of fun. Next week each class is going to think of a challenge, do it 100 times and fundraise for the Captain Tom Foundation. Everyone's invited. Whether it's reading 100 pages of your book, running 100 metres or doing 100 starjumps, whatever it is, do it your way.

We will welcome any donations of sponsorship that your child can get for taking part in this event – perhaps children can ask relatives to sponsor them £1 for taking part... All monies raised will go to the Captain Tom Foundation.

We will have a bucket ready on Friday for donations, but if it isn't possible to bring in donations, please do not worry; the children will have fun taking part regardless.

Together we can ensure that "tomorrow will be a good day".



#### The Big Ask

Over the next two weeks we will be giving every child the opportunity to take part in The Big Ask survey that has been compiled by the Childrens Commissioner. You can find out more information about this using the link below.

## The Big Ask: Parent Information Sheet



This week your children will be given the opportunity to complete The Big Ask questionnaire. This is a national survey for young people that has been created by The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza.

She's keen to hear from young people about the things that make them happy, that worry them and that they would like to see in the future.





All of your child's answers will be confidential, and they don't have to answer any question if they do not want to. They will be used to inform the Government of the changes that children would like to see.

Your child will be asked to complete the questionnaire at school this week.

Find out more information



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https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/

Parents, carers and those working with children are also invited <u>to complete the adult survey</u> to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back.

# Devoran Wraparound Care

What a wonderful week we've had enjoying the gorgeous weather. Playing games making daisy chains and just enjoying being back with our friends and having a good catch up! Lego was the popular indoor choice this week. The children created a volcano land and their own playgrounds which were great fun to design.



As the weather now starts (and hopefully stays) warmer we want to make the most of our time outside. To help us with this please could you send your child with the

Following items:

- A named water bottle we can refill
- A sun hat / cap
- Named sun cream

Can we ask everyone to book any sessions you know you will require for the week (both breakfast and afternoon sessions) on ParentPay or with Emma at

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emmafoden@devoranschool.co.uk.

This helps us to set up the hall to be used by each bubble and means we can collect the children from the classrooms at the end of the day.