

DEVORAN NEWS

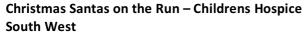
Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

There is a lot of information on the newsletter this week so I thank you in advance for reading it!

You will see from the newsletter that all the classes have been incredibly busy spreading their own bit of Christmas cheer over the past few weeks. We can't wait to share The Nativity and Carol Service with you next week. More information will come via email.

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



The children have had a great time today on their Santas on the Run in aid of Childrens Hospice South West.

We raised a brilliant £133.78 – thank you so much to everyone who helped to raise money for this important cause. Well done to all of our runners and a huge thank you to Mrs Evans for organising it!







Sports in School

This week children in Year 5 took part in a basketball challenge last week. The results are as follows:

Year 5

Straight Dribble

School winner: Devoran

Individual winners: Eli, Cassia, Ethan, Tom

Zig Zag Dribble

School winner: Devoran Individual winner: Tom R

Bounce Pass

School winner: Tregolls

Individual winners: Isaac and Toby

This week also saw our last cricket session with the Chance to Shine Cricket Whole School Programme. Mr Shaikh said "The children have been a pleasure to teach/coach and their engagement has been brilliant.

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Appreciation from us. All it remains for me to
say is to wish you and everyone at Devoran - a
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."
We know the children have loved these sessions
and they have learnt a great many skills. We
look forward to continuing our work with
Cornwall Cricket in the New Year.



Staff News

It is with deep regret that I have to inform you that Mrs Hosken will be leaving us at Christmas. Mrs Hosken has supported a great many children and classes over the years and we wish her every success in her new challenge of working on her illustrations and art – we know you will be fabulous Mrs Hosken, but you will be very much missed by the Devoran Team!

It is also with deep regret that I also have to share with you the news that Mrs Dodd will also be leaving us at the February half term. Mrs Dodd has been a pillar of strength in the office as well as supporting the school with everything finance related and she will be sorely missed. We are excited about her next adventure as she leaves to spend more time with her gorgeous family and work on the field project where she has become very green fingered!

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**. We will be sending out the link to this on Monday.

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.

Return date - January 2021

This is advance notice that the **children will return to school** on **Tuesday 5 January 2021** as we are having a staff training INSET day on Monday 4 January. We look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 5 January after a well-deserved rest.

Christmas Decorations for sale!

The children have been busy making Christmas decorations. In lieu of a Christmas Fayre and in our quest to continue to raise vital funds to support the enrichment opportunities we can offer our children, we will be selling the decorations for £3 each. These will be available to buy via ParentPay – keep your eyes peeled on Class Dojo for more information. We will let you know on Monday when they have been added to ParentPay.

CHRISTMAS INFO

Christmas Cards in School

Monday will be the last day that we can accept Christmas cards into school so that we can be ready to distribute them to friends on Friday 18th December. Thank you for your help with this.

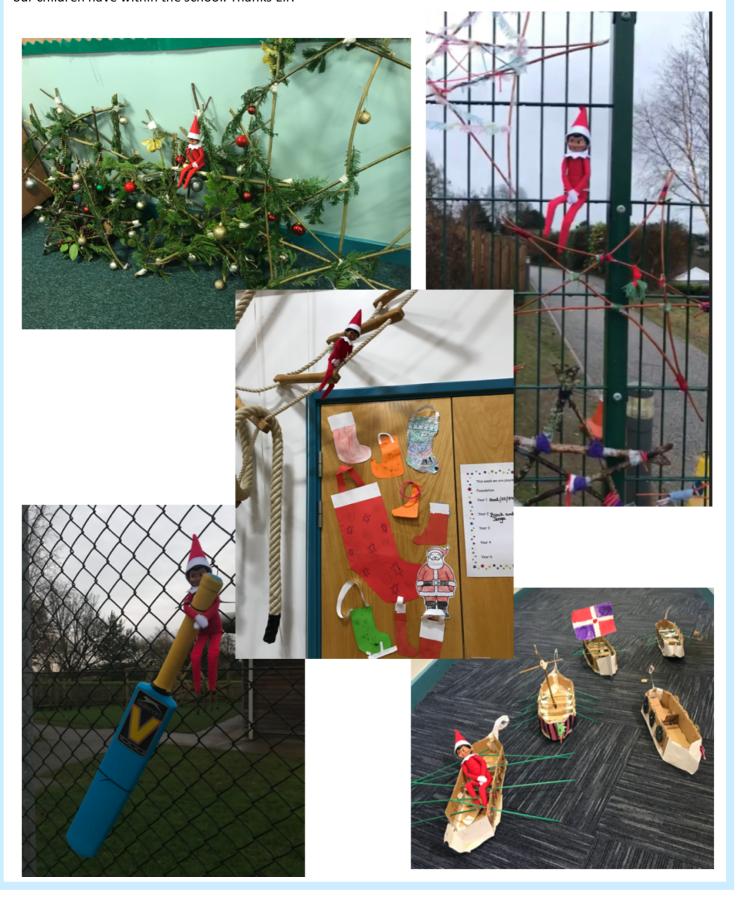
Early Finish – Friday 18 December

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

Elf Watch 2020

What an adventure the Elf has had this week! We have found her lurking in Christmas decorations in Year 3, sailing Viking Ships in Year 4, taking a sneaky peek of our wraparound care in the hall as well as partaking in some cricket and star gazing! We are so pleased that the Elf is showcasing all the amazing learning and enrichment opportunities that our children have within the school. Thanks Elf!





Well its fair to say Christmas has well and truly arrived in school so we decided to embrace this and go all out with our Christmas challenge activities.

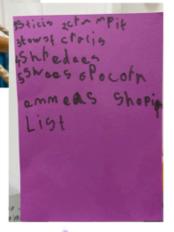
We have been making stockings, 3d cards, pompoms, completing Christmas word searches making decorations and designing baubles.

Its really got us in the festive sprit!





We even had a visit from Elf on the Shelf who was loving using the rope ladders in the hall!



After we had a mini drama when we ran out of crackers this week some of Year 1 made Emma a special shopping list to make sure it doesn't happen again.

