

DEVORAN NEWS

Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

The buzz in school this week has been electric and we have all been so happy and excited to see the children back in school. We continue to be in awe of their resilience, reflective nature and positivity. We understand that this hasn't been easy for every child, but we are very proud of what everyone has managed to achieve this week.

Our Rainbow Pathway work has been really interesting and our children have spent time focusing on connections and relationships. This has been done through a series of different activities including creating marshmallow and spaghetti structures, writing about their lockdown experience, thinking about their 'safe hand team', turning something negative into a really beautiful work of art to name a few! These activities have enabled us to rebuild our class communities and ensure that they are in the best place ready to learn. The children will no doubt be tired as we re-establish the routines and boundaries of school once more.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend. It is so good to be back! Best wishes Miss Lock







Comic Relief

Comic Relief is on Friday 19 March. As a school, we are going to 'dress funny for money'. This could mean wearing your clothes back to front, digging into your fancy dress box (no props please), or wearing your adult's clothes! We hope this will be a simple, inexpensive way to raise money for a really important cause.



The ParentPay code for donations is: https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.asp

We will also have a bucket on the gate on Friday 19 March for any monetary donations that you or your children may like to make.

Staff News

It is with deep regret that I need to inform you that Mrs Eva has made the decision to not return from her maternity leave and will therefore be officially leaving Devoran School on the 18 April. Mrs Eva has taught a great many children and classes over the years and we wish her every success in the future as she focuses on her family and the farm. She will be very much missed by the Devoran community.

A number of you may have already met or spoken on the phone with Mrs Tippett who is our new Finance Officer. Mrs Tippett has enjoyed getting to know the children over the past three weeks and she looks forward to getting to know our families more over the next few terms and beyond. Welcome to the Devoran Team Mrs Tippett!

Early Finish - Thursday 1 April

On Thursday 1 April we will be finishing at an earlier time to mark the end of another busy term. This is not an April Fools! To help us cover lunches and then the staggered egress, the earlier finish times will be:

S-Z	13:30
K-R	13:40
F-J	13:50
A-E	14:00

Community Virtual Quiz

We really hope that you enjoyed our community virtual quiz last week? It was a fun, fast-paced event and it was lovely to see so many families joining in. I now know a lot more about DNA then I did before! The results are as

follows:



Participant Names		Score
1	Ten Points for Gryffin	nd 168070 (97%)
2	Hazes	155830 (94%)
3	Quiz Whitty	155455 (93%)
4	Colleen Covey	153205 (96%)
5	Miss Lock and Dr Pet	tit 152815 (90%)
6	The Owls	150710 (91%)
7	Agatha Quiztie	150255 (90%)
8	The Mandolorian	149810 (91%)
9	Crocodile	144200 (92%)
10	The Fabulous Fairbal	irns 139345 (86%)

Congratulations to the teams in 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. The Ten Points for Gryffindor team will receive their Baker Tom's goodies and we also have prizes for 2nd and 3rd place. Please contact Mrs Andrews to collect your prizes!

Well done to all the teams that took part.

The PTCA are organising our second community event – online bingo. The save the date poster can be seen below. We hope to see as many of you at the bingo as possible! Thank you for your continued support with these events.

Book amnesty

We would be really grateful if you can all search your houses high and low for any school reading books that may have found their way onto shelves / under beds. We think we have only have around 50% of our books returned to us and we would really like to have them back to allow other children to enjoy them! Books can be handed into the classrooms or to the office. Thank you in advance.

Food Hub Support

Over lockdown, we started working with Bosvigo School to engage with a scheme that can ease the shopping bills for our families by providing families with essential items. This is an ongoing project that we will offer.

To request food hub support, please use this <u>online form</u>. We will place orders for food every Wednesday 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 Wednesday lunchtime for us to use.

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

Holiday Hunger

Truro Foodbank are open and available to help our families over the Easter holidays or before. If you would like some support, the school can arrange this for you via the food bank.

They can put together a bag containing items for breakfast and lunch such as long-life milk and cereal, tinned meat, beans, pasta, tinned fruit, biscuits and fruit juice. If you would like to receive a bag of these items to help you through the Easter Holidays, please let Mrs Andrews know by Friday 26 March.

Study looking for parents and carers in Cornwall who may have been exposed to COVID-19

A COVID-19 antibody study for people who may have been exposed to the new coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) is now recruiting in the local area.

Mounts Bay Medical is taking part in a clinical research study called the STORM CHASER Study. This study is looking at how safe a combination of two investigational monoclonal antibodies is and if it works for the prevention of COVID-19 in adults.

We are looking for volunteers who are 18 years of age or older, who have been in contact with, or living in the same residence as, someone who is confirmed to be infected with SARS-CoV-2.

You may be able to take part if you:

- are 18 years of age or older
- do not have a previously confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19
- have, in the past 8 days, been in contact with, or living in the same residence as, someone who is confirmed to be infected with SARS-CoV-2 (the virus that causes COVID-19)

To find out more please go to https://gb.c19stormchaserstudy.com or email research@mountsbaymedical.co.uk

Fix Your Bike Voucher Scheme: apply for a voucher

If you have an old bike gathering dust at home you can apply for a voucher of up to £50 to get it repaired. There are three bike repairers in Truro who are registered with the scheme.

Please use this link to find more information: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/fix-your-bike-voucher-scheme-apply-for-a-voucher-scheme-a-vouc



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COMING SOON, WE WILL ALSO BE MAKING SCRUNCHIES FOR DEVORAN, KEA & PERRANARWORTHAL SCHOOL UNIFORM.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT LOVE ANNA & AMELIE AGED 10 XOXO