



DEVORAN NEWS

Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to the beginning of the Spring Term. I hope you all had a lovely festive season and enjoyed the holiday with your families.

This week the children have had a very settled time back into the school routine where we have continued to focus on the three rules of The Devoran Way; Ready, Respectful, Safe. I am really proud of the focus and positive attitudes the children are showing in all areas of their learning.

This week saw two different sporting events take place – thank you as always to Mrs Evans who organises these events and helps to prepare our children in the various sports.

On Thursday, swimmers from Years 5 & 6 competed in the Truro Primary Swimming Gala. All children showed our 'Devoran Way' tremendously well by supporting our swimmers in all their races. Great skill, power and speed was demonstrated by all teams. Year 6 Girls and Boys finished in 2nd place and Year 5 Girls and Boys finished in 3rd place. Well done swimmers!

Today children from Years 5 & 6 represented Devoran School in Basketball. Our players played seven games and won four of them. All players showed excellent defending to win the opponent's ball and demonstrated great confidence when dribbling. Our team finished in 3rd place overall. Well done everyone!

I have added the uniform list to the orange box for all parents as a reminder of our expectations on school uniform. Please help us to keep to this by ensuring your child has the correct uniform at all times, in particular the school shoes.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend

Best wishes
Miss Lock

PE Kit

As the weather turns, please can you ensure that your child has warm clothing for outdoor PE (dark coloured joggers / leggings) as well as spare socks, jumper and a waterproof. Please also ensure that everything is named!



School week commencing 6 January

96.2% - whole school attendance

Attendance Congratulations:

1st place is Year 5 with 97.1%

Attendance in our school is really important and needs to improve. Attendance not only means being here every day, but also on time. Thank you in advance for helping us to ensure that the children can access as much education in school as they can by helping us to improve our overall attendance over the Spring Term.

NEXT WEEK:

Monday 13 January – Swimming for Years 2 and 4

Clubs start back this week!

Devoran School Uniform

Girls

Dark grey pinafore dress (FS-Yr2)
Dark grey skirt, trousers or shorts
White short sleeved polo shirt (FS-Yr5)
White short/long sleeved shirt (Yr6)
Tartan tie (Yr6 available from school only)
School logoed jumper/cardigan
Grey socks or tights
White ankle socks in summer (FS_Yr5)
Gold/yellow check gingham dress (summer)
Sensible black shoes (**not trainers, canvas or open toed sandals or boots**)

Boys

Dark grey trousers or shorts
White short sleeved polo shirt (FS-Yr5)
White short/long sleeved shirt (Yr6)
Tartan tie (Yr6 available from school only)
School logoed jumper/cardigan
Grey socks
Sensible black shoes (**not trainers or canvas shoes or boots**)

Nits in school

We have a few reported cases of nits in school. Please take the time to check your child's hair and **please ensure that if your child's hair touches their shoulders that it is tied up.**



Please see on the next page an information leaflet about threadworm. We have had a few reported cases of this within school. Please take the time to familiarise yourself with the guidance.

THREADWORM –INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Information for parents when cases of threadworm are reported at school. This document is to give guidance in what to look out for and to reassure you that this infection is not serious but that medical guidance should be sought if you suspect that your child is suffering from them.

Threadworm

Threadworm (also known as pinworm) are common worm infections of the intestines (or gut) that often do not show symptoms. Humans are their only host and anyone can catch them. They are particularly common in children between the ages of five and twelve years. Infection often occurs in more than one family member. Threadworms look like thin, white cotton threads.

Signs and symptoms

In infections where there are symptoms, itching around the anus occurs, especially after a warm bath or at night causing sleep disturbance. A sticky fluid is sometimes felt around the anus which may also cause itchiness. Sometimes the worms can be seen either in the stools or around the anus.

Mode of Transmission

Transmission is by direct transfer of infective eggs by hand from anus to mouth of the same or another person, or indirectly through clothing, bedding, food or other contaminated equipment. Re-infection is common. The eggs are ingested and hatch in the small intestine. The worms then migrate to the large bowel.

Treatment

There are a variety of treatments available; advice should be sought from the GP. Treatment should be repeated after two weeks. It is also advisable to treat the whole family/ household members at the same time in order to adequately eradicate the problem from the household.

Prevention of spread

- Prompt recognition of new cases by GPs
- Remove sources of infection by treating cases with anti-worm medication
- All close contacts should be treated with the same medication
- **Encourage hand washing especially after going to the toilet and before eating**
- Keep fingernails short and discourage nail biting
- Wear clean underwear at night

As well as informing you of the situation, purpose of this letter is to enable you to seek treatment early if your child is affected and to remind parents of general hygiene, in particular to make sure that your child/ children wash their hands regularly, particularly after going to the toilet and especially before eating.

Children with threadworm do not need to be kept away from school as long as the child is treated and is aware of the hygiene measures required. However, could you please inform the school as soon as possible if you have a case of threadworm in the family home.

Thank you for your co-operation.

JANUARY 2020		
Monday 13		Clubs start this week Swimming – Years 2 & 4
Tuesday 14		Green Power Car Club (Group 1 - 3/3)
Monday 20		Swimming – Years 2 & 4
Monday 27		Swimming – Years 2 & 4
FEBRUARY		
Monday 03		Swimming – Years 2 & 4
Monday 10		Swimming – Years 2 & 4
Friday 14		End of half term – pick up usual time
Monday 17-Friday 20		Half Term Holidays
Monday 24		Swimming – Years 2 & 4
MARCH		
Monday 02		Swimming – Years 2 & 4
Thursday 05		World Book Day – details to follow
Monday 09-Friday 13		Sports Relief Week – details to follow
Monday 09		Swimming – Years 2 & 4
Monday 16		Swimming – Years 2 & 4
Friday 20		Clubs finish this week
Monday 23		Swimming – Years 2 & 4
Tuesday 24		Year 3 Camp Meeting – 14.30hrs
Friday 27		End of term – pick up 13.30hrs
Monday 30 March to Monday 13 April		Easter Holidays
APRIL		
Tuesday 14		Back to school
Monday 20		Foundation Stage Swimming – details to follow
Tuesday 21		Year 5 Parents Camp Meeting – 14.30hrs
Wednesday 22 – Friday 24		Year 3 Carnyorth Camp
Monday 27		Foundation Stage Swimming
MAY		
Friday 01		Class Photos
Friday 08		May Bank Holiday – School Closed
Monday 11		Foundation Stage Swimming
Monday 11 – Thursday 14		Year 6 SATS Week
Wednesday 13 – Friday 15		Year 5 Porthpean Camp
Monday 18 – Friday 22		Year 6 Camp – London
Monday 18		Foundation Stage Swimming
Tuesday 19		Year 4 Parents Camp Meeting – 14.30hrs
Friday 22		. Sports Day – TBC . End of half term – pick up at normal time
Monday 25 – Friday 29		Half Term Holidays

JUNE		
Monday 01		Foundation Stage Swimming
Monday 08		Foundation Stage Swimming
Wednesday 10 – Friday 12		Year 4 Camp Kernow
Tuesday 23		Parent Consultations – 15.30-19.00hrs – booking details to follow
Thursday 25		Parent Consultations – 15.30-19.00hrs – booking details to follow
Tuesday 30		Year 6 Penair School Transition Day – details to follow
JULY		
Wednesday 01		Year 6 Penair School Transition Day – details to follow
Friday 17		End of term – pick up 13.30hrs
Monday 20 – Thursday 24		INSET DAYS - No children in school