

# **DEVORAN NEWS**

### Message from the Head Dear Parents and Carers

It seems hard to believe that this marks the end of my fifth year at the school – where has the time gone?! We have had such an exciting year with so much to celebrate in every classroom; the children have all done so incredibly well and have shown such strength and resilience in what started out as a very turbulent, uncertain year as a result of COVID numbers within our community.

On our celebration visit to Devoran Church yesterday, Reverend Karen asked the children what they were most proud of this year. The list was full and varied and demonstrated the range of opportunities our children have experienced and loved

throughout the year. You can see the examples that the children shared in the wordcloud next to this message.

We are incredibly proud of our children and everything they have achieved this year. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your unwavering support.

It is clear that the sporting events and opportunities this year have been a real highlight for the children. Mrs French has worked incredibly hard to give all our children opportunities to represent our school at an event. A staggering 98% of children across KS2 have taken part in a competition at some point this year. This has resulted in us being awarded the School Games Gold Award for the fourth year running! This is a brilliant achievement and we are delighted to be back up and running with sporting events again. Congratulations to all the children who have made this happen and a huge well done to Mrs French!



I hope that you all have a wonderful summer and we look

forward to seeing you again in September ready for another year of fun and adventures. Year Six – we will miss you and wish you all the best for your next chapter.

Best wishes Miss Lock

### September return date for children Please note that children return to school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

## **PTCA Summer Sizzle**

We hope you all enjoyed the PTCA Summer Sizzle the other weekend? The PTCA raised an incredible £1,680 – a phenomenal achievement! Thank you all so much for your continued support and a huge thank you to everyone who helped set up, run stalls and clear up afterwards!

- The results of the Welly Wanging are:
  Mens Pete Green
  - MensWomensKids
    - Katie Dainton
- 28.0 metres 19.4 metres
- Jasper Blenkin 24.0 metres

News of the raffle will be sent out via Mrs Andrews in due course! 🐵

Autograph meal price increase From September, the cost of a pupil-paid meal is increasing to £2.40 per meal.

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### Staff news

We are delighted that Mrs Evans has returned from maternity leave. Mrs Evans will continue to work four days a week and as a result we are delighted that Mrs French has agreed to stay working with us two days a week to support with the curriculum development as well as the competitions and sporting opportunities.

We are thrilled that Mrs Churcher will also be returning to school in September in the role of HLTA with pastoral support across the school two days a week. More details on this to follow in September.

### Ben is selected for Radnor Golf and Leisure's Golf Sixes Team!

Ben Allen has gone from school golf sessions to individual lessons and has been selected for Radnor Golf & Leisure's Golf Sixes team. This is a huge achievement over a short timescale and all are very proud of Ben's enthusiasm and ability to apply his newly developed golf skills so quickly.

As if this wasn't brilliant enough, this weekend, Ben was also awarded a medal for a 'special achievement award' as he took 3 shots on a par 4 (birdie) while playing. We are so impressed Ben – what amazing focus and achievement! Group Junior Lessons are available at Radnor Golf & Leisure on Wednesday's at 6pm. Individual lessons are also available for both adults and juniors! Please send any enquires to <u>CornwallGolfLessons@gmail.com</u> or text/call 07516 637816.



# Harriet wins the Cornish Combination Class at Stithians Show!

Last week, Harriet (and Stan) took part in the Cornwall Combination Class and the Worker Hunter Class at Stithians Show. Out of 10 ponies, Harriet won the Cornish Combination Class and came 7<sup>th</sup> in the Worker Hunter Class out of 9 ponies. We are all incredibly proud of her achievements – well done Harriet!





### **Ballet Performance – Burrell Theatre**

Last Saturday, some of our children performed in a ballet show at the Burrell Theatre, Truro School. The children performed beautifully with such finesse and confidence. Congratulations to all the girls involved!

### Watch and Wonder – thank you from Year 3!

We would like to thank Mrs Hannah Wright (Harry from Foundation's Mum) who has worked with our Year 3 children this term as they have learnt about the relationship between parent and child. We are very grateful for your support and the children have loved the experience!

### **Urban Playground Performance**

On Wednesday, we were treated to a performance by The Urban Playground Team called 'On the Strandline'. It was a performance-parkour choreography played on a steel scaffold fishing boat and was performed by the Emergent Ensemble of early-career Cornish and Cornwall based dancers. There was an environmental focus, aiming to raise awareness and inspire action on rising sea levels.

"It was very elegant – an inspiring way to help us understand the climate emergency in a unique way". Annabel and Jules "I liked the ship and watching the dancers on the shipwreck". Byron

"I loved everything in it. They did really good moves". April

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"They were bendy and flexible, amazing and insanely cool – the best we have ever seen!" Year Three

"I really enjoyed it and I want to become as flexible as them". Jamie

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### **Recorders Concert in the Cathedral**

On Thursday 14 July, a group of recorder players took part in the ASONE Showcase in the Cathedral. They performed a number of pieces and were so professional and precise in their music playing. A huge thank you to Mrs Covey for supporting our amazing recorder players over the last year – the children have learnt so much and sound spectacular. This is all down to your hard work and dedication Mrs Covey – thank you!



# A fresh start in Mathletics for the new school year



### Dear parents/carers,

We wanted to let you know that your child's Mathletics account will be refreshed on Monday 1st August 2022, ready for the results from the next school year.

### What does this mean?

- · Results are reset so you'll only see the latest and most relevant results
- Progress bars are reset so you can see how your children are progressing with this year's curriculum

#### What about their achievements?

Your child's Avatar, certificates, and Live Mathletics scores will still be there, ready for another exciting year of maths!

#### What do I have to do?

Your school will take care of everything. They'll set your child's new curriculum and learning journeys, and you'll be able to use Mathletics at home in the meantime.

We look forward to another fun year of learning!

Warm regards, The Mathletics Team

www.mathletics.com

### Commonwealth Games 28 July – 8 August

Don't forget that the Commonwealth Games is taking place in Birmingham this summer. There will be loads of amazing sports to watch – many of which we have been practicing in school this term.

Sports include aquatics diving, aquatics swimming, aquatics para swimming, athletics, para athletics, badminton, basketball, beach volleyball, boxing, cricket, cycling mountain biking, cycling road race, cycling time trial, cycling track, cycling para track, gymnastics artistic, gymnastics rhythmic, hockey, judo, lawn bowls, netball, para powerlifting, rugby sevens, squash, table tennis and para table tennis, triathlon and para triathlon, wheelchair basketball, weightlifting, wrestling.

What a lot of sport to watch over the summer!



### **Commonwealth Games Practice at Devoran School**

Our Key Stage 2 children have been enjoying being sports leaders this week. They designed their own multi skills station and took on the role of sports leaders for our younger classes to take part in. The children did their own warm up with small groups of children, then demonstrated their station, once the children understood what they had to do our sports leader took note of how they were doing with their own scores sheets and took photos and videos of the event on the iPad. The younger class would rota around the station so that the whole class tried each one. This was enjoyed by the children designing the station but also by the children taking part.

The Commonwealth Games are fast approaching, 28th July to 8th August held in Birmingham. This is a great opportunity for the children to see professional athletes competing in a vast array of sports.

The children have been learning about the different sports and what happens during the ceremony. Some of the children have used the Commonwealth Games to inspire their designs for the sports leader's station, others have designed their own medals, mascots and the queen's baton. I'm sure with the enthusiasm from last weeks and the sport leadership skills learnt the children will again enjoy this great opportunity.























# Congratualtions Devoran School on achieving a 4th year of Gold School Games Award.



We are delighted to announce that we, Devoran School, have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2021/22 academic year. This is Devoran School's 4th Gold in a row!

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward and recognise school' s engagement (provision and uptake) in the School Games against a national benchmark and to celebrate keeping young people active, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our physical activity and school sport achievements this year include: 100% of KS2 active Sports Leaders- planning and delivery 98% of KS2 attended a Sports Club 74% of KS2 attended more than one Sports Club 98% of KS2 attended a Sports Comp 92% of KS2 attended more than one Sports Comp More than 30 Sports Events attended

We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of physical activity and school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our events possible. We are committed to using the School Games to try and engage those young people who haven' t previously been active or represented our school and to try and ensure that all our students have a positive experience and want to try out new activities beyond school too in our community. We believe in the power of physical activity and school sport as a school and give opportunities to those young people that need it most either as a participant, leader, official or volunteer.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas linked to the five School Games outcomes and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

### A special thanks to:

All children's positivity and enthusiasm towards Sports at Devoran School, Mrs French for providing support, guidance and opportunities for all children, Parent/guardian helper's club and transport, all staff at Devoran School and the wider School Community.

We look forward to applying once again in 2023!





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### **Active Summer Challenge**

If you are looking for things to keep the children active this summer, then have a look at 'Active Summer Challenge'. There are lots of great challenges for the children to have a go at. The children can take a pledge for the summer challenge or just dip in and out. The children can then bring in their summer challenge sheet or you can take a picture and send it on class dojo showing that they have taken part in the challenge and I can give out certificates in assembly when we are back in September.

There are a couple of sheets to print off at home, however If anyone would like me to print off the sheets please message and I can make sure they are in the children's bags tomorrow.

Your School Games - Active Summer Challenge

Many thanks Mrs French

