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Dear Parents and Carers,

Arlington Court 200 trees for 200 years project

2023 marks the 200th anniversary of the construction of the house at Arlington Court. To celebrate there will be 200 Christmas trees, in various styles, sizes, shapes and materials across the gardens, grounds and in the house. We have contributed four trees to form part of the forest. Every class has painted their tree with a different theme and every child has contributed to the design and painted either a character or item related to Christmas. We will be taking the children as a whole school to take part in the trail. Please visit their website if you would like to visit.



The photo for Class Four was accidentally deleted but we will take a photo of the tree in situ for you.

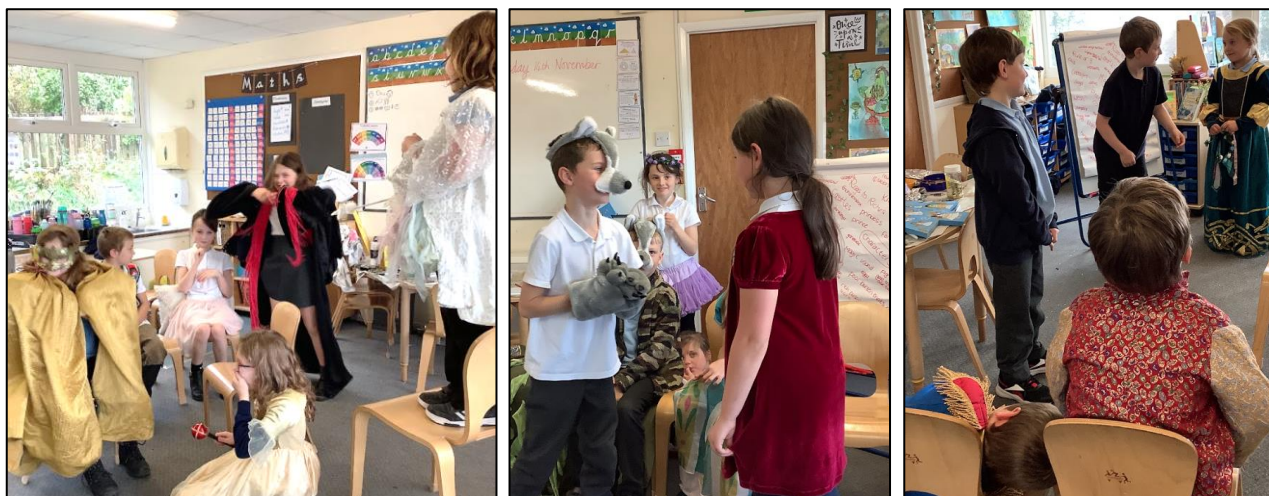
Reception, Years One and Two, Pottery with Taz Pollard

The children worked with potter, Taz Pollard and her student, Jo, to create a range of festive decorations.



Years Three and Four, The Plough Arts Fairy Tales Workshop

The children worked with Katherine from the Plough Arts Centre to play games, explore features of fairy tales and act and create their own. They had a wonderful morning using their imaginations, telling stories and working together.



Years Five and Six, The Plough Arts Shang Dynasty Workshop

The children enjoyed learning about the Shang Dynasty through drama. They were tasked with creating scenes involving a range of characters from farmers to Gods.



Years Five and Six, 'The House with Chicken Legs', Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

The children visited The Queens Theatre to watch an adaptation of the book, The House with Chicken Legs, by Sophie Anderson. They were amazed by the special effects and were engrossed by some truly remarkable acting which had them on the edge of their seats.



Year Five, Into Film, Matilda the Musical Sing Along, Scott Cinema, Barnstaple

The children enjoyed attending a sing-along version of Matilda. The class enjoyed singing along to the songs whilst being amused by much of the entertaining storyline.

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations. The children enjoyed themselves and raised £149.50 for Children in Need.

Thursday 23rd November, Years Three and Four, Into Film screening of Trolls, Scott Cinema, Barnstaple

Your child will need to wear their school uniform and bring a warm waterproof coat and their water bottle. The children will depart from school and return in time for a school lunch.

Friday 24th November, Reception, Years One, Two, Three and Four, Plants Based Workshop RHS Garden Rosemoor, Torrington

Your child will need to wear their school uniform and outdoor footwear or wellington boots and bring a warm waterproof coat, a packed lunch and a water bottle. The children will depart and return during the school day. School packed lunches can be ordered please return the packed lunch order form to the office by Monday.

Individual Photographs, Tempest Photography

Please place any orders online as soon as possible. If you have misplaced your order form please contact the office.

Reception and Year Six National Child Measurement Programme.

Letters have been sent home about the programme and information on how to opt out if you wish.

The Big Ambition - Have your say!

The Children's Commissioner for England has launched The Big Ambition, a national survey of children and young people across England.

The Big Ambition aims to hear from children across England on what they think is important! In the lead up to the next General Election, the Children's Commissioner wants to take children's thoughts, opinions and ideas to decision-makers, to make sure that the Government hears young people's voices on what they think needs to be done to make children's lives better in England.

The Big Ambition survey will be open until Friday 15th December.

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/the-big-ambition/>

The Big Ambition is open to children and young people in England aged 0-18 years old. The survey has gone to schools across England so we can start to hear from children and young people aged from 6 to 18. Parents are also being encouraged to complete the survey for those who may need additional support or on behalf of younger children (under 6) to make sure the needs of early years children are represented too.

Kind regards,

Claire Grant
Executive Headteacher

Diary Dates

Tuesday 21 st November	Nasal Flu Vaccination
Thursday 23 rd November	Years Three and Four, Into Film, Scott Cinema - Trolls, Barnstaple Reception Vision Screening
Friday 24 th November	Reception, Years One, Two, Three and Four, Plants Based Workshop RHS Garden Rosemoor, Torrington
Tuesday 28 th November	Whole School, Arlington Court Christmas Tree Trail
Wednesday 29 th November	Years Three, Four, Five and Six, Quirk Theatre's Five Children & It, The Plough Arts Centre, Torrington
Thursday 7 th December	Years Five and Six, Evening Christmas Performance at 5 pm
Friday 8 th December	Years Five and Six, Christmas Crafts, RHS Rosemoor, Torrington Years Three and Four, Evening Christmas Performance at 5 pm
Wednesday 13 th December	Christmas lunch for the children - non-school uniform day
Thursday 14 th December	Reception, Years One and Two, Afternoon Christmas Performance at 2 pm
Friday 15 th December	Last day of term

Was your child born between
1st September 2019 and
31st August 2020?

How to Apply for a Primary School Place in Devon

You can apply online at
www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline
from 15th November 2023 to the 15th January 2024

If you cannot access the school
admissions website you can get
more information by calling our
Education Helpline on

0345 155 1019

or email: admissions@devon.gov.uk



Even if you have already given
details to a primary school, you
must apply for a place through the
Admissions Team. This is the only
way to apply; other forms or lists
held by schools will not count.

Devon
County Council 



Goodleigh Village Hall

Friday 17th November 2023
Doors open at 7pm
Performance starts 8pm
Tickets £10

*email:- gvhevents@yahoo.com
or call 07946594391 for tickets*

Cash Bar

Fish and Chips
available to buy
from the award
winning
Whiddon Fryer

