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Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations to the children in Classes One and Two for their outstanding performances. We are really proud of them all.

Years Three and Four 'How The Grinch Stole Christmas'



Reception, Years One and Two, 'Christmas Counts'



Years Five and Six, Christmas Crafts Workshop RHS Garden Rosemoor

The children enjoyed their festive visit to Rosemoor crafting with natural resources and exploring the beautiful gardens.



Years Three and Four, Lego Robotics Workshop

Class Two worked co-operatively to create spinning models with axels. They then wrote and debugged algorithms to make their Lego models move. The children were wholly engaged working together as engineers.



Years Five and Six, Lego Robotics Workshop

The children embraced the engineering challenges they were set and enjoyed coding and writing algorithms to control their Lego crocodiles.



Christmas Meal

We shared a wonderful Christmas meal as a school.



Topics

The Spring Term will commence on Wednesday 3rd January 2024 and the topics are as follows:

Reception, Years One and Two - Our Wonderful World

Years Three and Four - One Planet, One World - India

Year Five and Six - Trail Blazers

The children in Reception to Year Six will be bringing home their topic books for you to share.

Forest School

Reception, Years One, Two and Three will have Forest School every week as follows:

Reception and Year One	Friday
Year Two	Tuesday
Year Three	Friday

Please can you ensure that your child has warm clothing and wellington boots in school. Forest School clothing will be sent home each week for washing. It would be really helpful if all clothing is named. Thank you.

After School Clubs

Please note that after school clubs will commence on Wednesday 3rd January. Club information will follow in the first week back.

Primary School Admissions for September 2024

The admissions team have asked us to remind all that the primary school admissions closing date is at midnight on 15th January 2024.

PE

Please make sure that your child has their PE kit in school every day.

Menu

Please find the menu attached it will be the Week One menu when the children return on Wednesday 3rd January.

Instrumental Tuition

Please see below details of when music lessons will commence for the Spring Term.

Commencing:

Monday 8th January Guitar with Hannah Woollacott

Wednesday 10th January Flute, Fife and Keyboard with Mrs Cooper

Swimming

We have organised swimming for the whole school beginning in January. We are employing Leisure Centre coaches and every child will have a one hour lesson. Please collect your child from outside the Barnstaple Leisure Centre at the times indicated below.

Reception, Year One, Two and Three Swimming Thursdays

Lessons will begin on Thursday 4th January for Reception, Year One, Two and Three and you will need to collect your child from outside the Leisure Centre between 3.20 pm and 3.30 pm. Please do not enter the Leisure Centre as a member of staff will bring the children outside for safe collection.

For families that have siblings where one child may be swimming and one child may be at school, please collect your child that is swimming first and we will look after the older sibling in school for collection at approximately 3.45 pm or your child may be booked in for an after school club.

Years Four, Five and Six Swimming Fridays

Lessons will begin on Friday 5th January for Years Four, Five and Six and you need to collect your child from outside the Leisure Centre from 3.15 pm onwards. Please do not enter the Leisure Centre as a member of staff will bring the children outside for safe collection.

For families that have siblings where one child may be swimming and one child may be at school, please collect your **child from school first at 3.10 pm**. Please email admingoodleigh@goodilf.org.uk if you intend to collect your child at 3.10 pm. Once you have decided on the collection time please only change this arrangement in exceptional circumstances by notifying the office.

We are requesting that parents and carers do not come along as spectators as this is very distracting and it can cause distress and unnecessary upset for a number of children. We commit significant resources to this activity and want all children to enjoy the experience and make maximum progress. We thank you in anticipation of your support.

One piece swimming costumes need to be worn and swimming trunks should not be below the knees. If your child's hair is below their shoulders it will need to be tied back or they will need to wear a swimming hat. If your child normally wears swimming goggles they may wear them to the lessons, although you will need to have provided permission and accepted responsibility for any injury involving swimming goggles within the Parental Consent (SOE3a) Form.

The staff and children would like to thank you for your support during 2023 and wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Kind regards,

Claire Grant
Executive Headteacher

Diary Dates

Wednesday 3 rd January	First Day of Term
Thursday 4 th January	Reception, Years One, Two and Three Weekly Swimming Lessons begin
Friday 5 th January	Year Five and Six, Sports Halls Athletics, Pilton Community College Years Four, Five and Six Weekly Swimming Lessons begin
Wednesday 17 th January	Year Four, Tennis
Thursday 18 th January	Key Stage Two, Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra 'Dance Dance Dance', Exeter Great Hall
Friday 19 th January	Key Stage Two, Cultural Champions

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.

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