



THE DEVONSHIRE BUZZ



FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2025



Headteacher's Notice

Hello Devonshire,

We've had an incredible week filled with Christmas cheer and memorable moments across the school.

Monday saw our KS2 pupils visit St Thomas' Church for their annual Carols by Candlelight event. The children sang beautifully, filling the church with festive spirit and representing Devonshire with pride. I would like to thank Reverend David for hosting us and Mrs Page, our Music Lead, for coordinating this lovely event.

On Tuesday, Devonshire's Choir took centre stage at the Blackpool Music Service Christmas Festival in the iconic Blackpool Empress Ballroom. Their performance was nothing short of outstanding – full of confidence, enthusiasm and talent. We are so proud of each and every one of them for shining so brightly. Once again, a big thank you to Mrs Page for her hard work with the Choir in preparation for the event.

Wednesday brought our much-loved Christmas Fair. A huge thank you to everyone who joined us and supported our school funds. It was wonderful to see so many families coming together to enjoy the festivities. Your support made the evening a fantastic success and we hope you left with happy memories (and maybe a few festive treats too!).

Throughout this week, our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils delighted us with their magical Nativity performances. The children were truly stars of the show and we couldn't be prouder of their hard work and dedication. A heartfelt thank you to all the EYFS and KS1 staff who worked so hard to create these special performances and the families who came to support the children.

This week has been a perfect reminder of the joy and community spirit that make Devonshire so special.

We look forward to celebrating the festive period with our Christmas Parties and a special Christmas Dinner next week.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mr Simm
Headteacher

School Notice


At Devonshire Primary Academy we have a number of job vacancies to join our fabulous team! ❤️🐝 Please see the job advert links below for details.

✏️ Teaching Assistant Level 4 (closing date 9:00am on Monday 15th December 2025 – <https://recruit.sampeople.co.uk/Jobboard/Vacancy/Details?campaignref=SCH-TSVT-0257>)

✏️ Additional Needs Teaching Assistant (ANTA) Level 2 (closing date 9:00am on Monday 15th December 2025) – <https://recruit.sampeople.co.uk/Jobboard/Vacancy/Details?campaignref=SCH-TSVT-0258>

Would you, or someone you know, be perfect for one of these roles?
Please share the job details! ❤️🐝

Upcoming Events

- 16 December – Year 2, 5 and 6 Christmas Party Day
 - 17 December – Preschool and Year 4 Christmas Party Day
 - 18 December – Year 1 and 3 Christmas Party Day
 - 19 December – Reception Christmas Party Day
 - 19th December – Christmas Dinner
 - 19th December – School Closes at the Usual Time
 - 5th January – Return to School, 8:40am
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Attendance

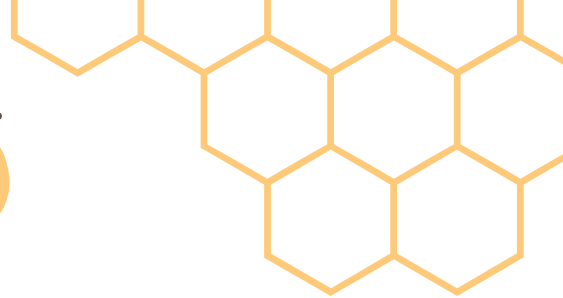


Whole School: 89.8%

Class: 6J (Lincoln) 95.4%



BUSY BEE BUSINESS



Devonshire Choir

Devonshire Choir SLEIGHed at the BMS Christmas Festival this week! They really rocked around the Empress Ballroom at the Blackpool Music Service Christmas Festival! Our children hit all the right notes and made spirits bright with their fantastic performances. You've all made Devonshire feel SNOW proud!



Reception, Year 1 + Year 2

This week, our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes truly MANGER-ed to steal the show with their wonderful Nativity performances! A big thank EWE to everyone who helped make these performances so magical. We're so blessed to have such shining STARS in our school.



Coffee Morning

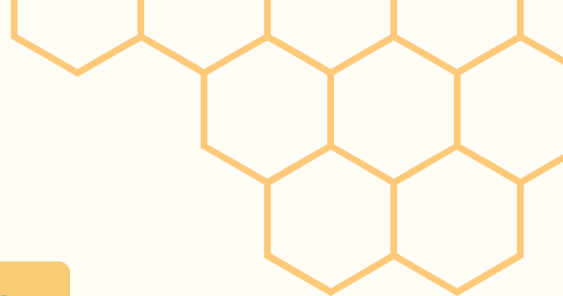
Devonshire parents and carers JINGLED all the way to a special festive coffee morning this week, proudly SLEIGHing in their Christmas jumpers! Don't miss the final coffee morning of 2025 on Monday 15th December. Let's WRAP up the year with a cosy, Christmassy catch-up before the holidays SNOWBALL in.



Christmas Fair

What a merry evening! Thank you all for joining us at our Christmas Fair! It was the sleigh-ride of the season seeing so many families chatting, laughing and soaking up the festive fun. Your support made the whole night feel SNOW special. We hope you went home with warm hearts, happy memories and bags full of FAIRY, merry goodies!

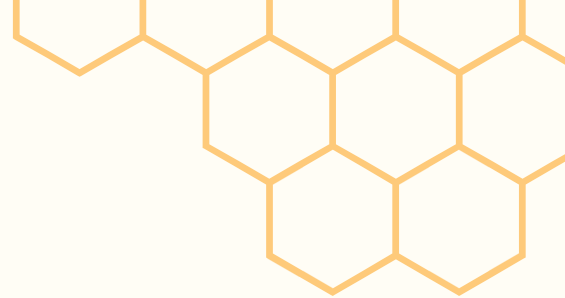




Star of the Half Term

Star of the Half Term		Star Citizen	
Pre	Poppy A + Lewis H	Pre	N/A
RG	Jake T	RG	Alice M
RM	Emily M	RM	Ava D
1H	Kaya B	1H	Bonnie A
1S	Mason M	1S	Connor C
Beehive	Noah T and AJ T	Beehive	N/A
2MS	Meezab Q	2MS	Minnie A
2M	Joey P	2M	Debbie A
3P	River L	3P	Elyssia N-M
3M	Ivan N	3M	Adona E
4MT	Zahra C	4MT	Star L
4S	Robert G	4S	N/A
5S	Aasta F	5S	Lola C
5D	Cleo C	5D	Lilly P
6J	Lilly-May S-F	6J	Alivia W-J
6O	Treesa R	6O	Logan S



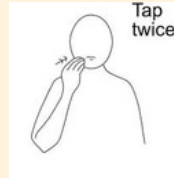


Word of the Week

Elegant

(graceful and stylish in appearance or manner)

Makaton Sign



Food/Drink



Friday 12th December

National Ding-a-Ling Day

(National Ding-a-Ling Day encourages us to reconnect with people we may have lost touch with.)

ADVERTS & OTHER BUSINESS



SHINE
Support and Help IN Education
Fylde Coast Mental Health Support Team

Self Referrals from Young people, Parents and Carers

Do you worry?

Do you have problems sleeping?

Have you got low Mood?

Are you feeling anxious?

Do you have feelings of stress?

Do you have feelings of panic?

Fylde Coast SHINE MHST supports children and young people, currently attending education settings, noted below. We support with mild to moderate mental health difficulties through time-limited intervention, where symptoms have been present for less than 12 months.

SHINE MHST is not an urgent response service

If you attend the following schools we accept Self Referrals

- AKS Lytham
- Armfield Academy
- Athens School
- Baines School (High)
- Blackpool Aspire Academy
- Blackpool & Fylde College
- Blackpool Sixth Form
- Broadfield School
- Carr Hill High School
- Cardinal Allen Catholic High School
- Fleetwood High School
- Garstang Community Academy
- Great Arley School
- Highfield Leadership Academy
- Highfurlong SEN School
- Hodgson Academy
- Kirkham Grammar High School
- Lytham St Anne's High School
- Millfield Science and Performing Arts College
- Montgomery Academy
- Park Community Academy
- Pear Tree School
- Pegasus
- Redmarsh School
- Saint Bedes Catholic High
- South Shore Academy
- St. Aidans Church of England High School
- St. Mary's Catholic Academy
- St George's Church of England Academy
- The Maple School
- Unity Academy Blackpool
- Woodlands School

How to self refer to the Team

Call us directly to self-refer, and our administration team will arrange for our duty practitioner to make a consultation call to parent/carer/young person and complete a self-referral form to establish whether SHINE is the best service to offer support to the young person.

0800 121 7762 (Option 4)

If you have any further questions, do not hesitate to contact us directly and one of our team will respond to you.

Follow us on social media?

#cyp_primarymentalhealthservice

OPTIONS4CYP
Christmas Openings
2025

	OPTION 1 CAMHS	OPTION 2 RAIS	OPTION 3 YOUTHERAPY	OPTION 4 CYP PMHS	OPTION 5 CYPLD & ADHD
Christmas Eve	Open 9-5pm	Open 5.00pm - 10.00pm	Open 9-5pm	Open 9-5pm	Open 9-5pm
Christmas Day	Bank Holiday	Open 9am - 10.00pm	Bank Holiday	Bank Holiday	Bank Holiday
Boxing Day	Bank Holiday	Open 9am - 10.00pm	Bank Holiday	Bank Holiday	Bank Holiday
Saturday 27 th Dec	Closed	Open 9am - 10.00pm	Closed	Closed	Closed
Sunday 28 th Dec	Closed	Open 9am - 10.00pm	Closed	Closed	Closed
Monday 29 th Dec	Open 9-5pm	Open 5.00pm - 10.00pm	Open 9-5pm	Open 9-5pm	Open 9-5pm
Tuesday 30 th Dec	Open 9-5pm	Open 5.00pm - 10.00pm	Open 9-5pm	Open 9-5pm	Open 9-5pm
New Years Eve	Open 9-5pm	Open 5.00pm - 10.00pm	Open 9-5pm	Open 9-5pm	Open 9-5pm
New Years Day 2026	Bank Holiday	Open 9am - 10.00pm	Bank Holiday	Bank Holiday	Bank Holiday
Friday 2 nd Jan 2026	Open 9-5pm	Open 5.00pm - 10.00pm	Open 9-5pm	Open 9-5pm	Open 9-5pm

Freephone 0800 121 7762

*FYI Directory Link to PMHW online Drop in

