

# THE DEVONSHIRE BUZZ

FRIDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2026



## Headteacher's Notice

Hello Devonshire

It has been another busy and successful week at Devonshire, with so much to celebrate!

Firstly, I would like to extend a huge thank you to all those families that have generously contributed to our Harvest food collection. We have been overwhelmed by the incredible number of donations received and I know that Helping Hearts Fylde will be extremely grateful for the support. Thank you also to Mrs Holm and our dedicated Wellbeing Warriors for organising and promoting this important initiative. We are looking forward to attending a special Harvest Service at St Thomas' Church next week with Reverend David, where we can celebrate the kindness and generosity shown by our school community.

On Monday, we held our first Class Assembly of the academic year. It was wonderful to welcome so many parents, carers and family members to watch 3P Rowling Class share their learning and talents. The children spoke and performed with great confidence, making us all incredibly proud. A special thank you goes to Mrs Page and Miss Hayhurst for the time and effort they invested in planning and preparing such a fantastic assembly so early in the year.

Many of you will have noticed our raffle ticket sales taking place at the end of the school day over the past few weeks. These have been part of our efforts to raise funds to further enhance our learning environment. An enormous thank you to Mrs McGlyn, whose enthusiasm and hard work have driven this initiative. Thanks to the incredible support of our families, we have raised an amazing £366, which will be used to purchase additional resources for our sensory room. This is a fantastic achievement and will make a real difference to the children who benefit from this provision.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support, encouragement and partnership. Together, we continue to create wonderful opportunities for our children to learn, grow and thrive.

I hope you all have a safe, relaxing and peaceful weekend.

Mr Simm

## School Notice

*Please be reminded that Crocs are not permitted in school as they are not part of our school uniform policy.*

*All children must wear appropriate, safe footwear that complies with our uniform policy. This is essential for health and safety reasons.*

*Thank you for your support and cooperation.*

## Upcoming Events

- 5<sup>th</sup> October - Reception Open Evening at 4pm
- 9<sup>th</sup> October - Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day
- 14<sup>th</sup> October - Parents Evening, 3:30-6:00pm - Link to book to follow shortly.
- 19<sup>th</sup> October - Halloween Disco - Yr 4-6, 4:00-4:45pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> October - Halloween Disco - Yr 1-3, 4:00-4:45pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> October - Halloween Disco - Preschool & Reception, 4:00-4:45pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> November - BBC Children In Need Day - Pudsey Goes to Work Theme - £1 Donations
- 18<sup>th</sup> November - Individual & Sibling Photographs

**Further details about trips and events can be found on Class Dojo and Parentapps.**

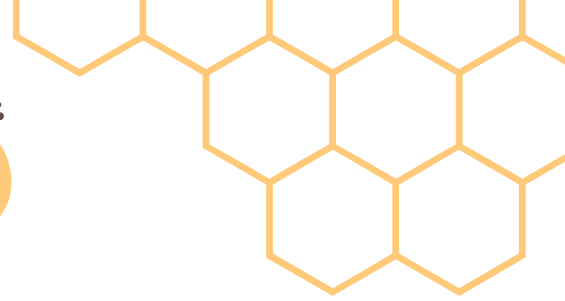
## Weekly Attendance



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|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2CM (Mandela) 100%      | 5S (Johnson) 94.3%       |
| 3P (Rowling) 100%       | 2AM (Pankhurst) 93.1%    |
| 4WT (Nightingale) 99.5% | RM (Berry) 92.4%         |
| 6O (Blake) 97.1%        | 1H (Beethoven) 90.1%     |
| 1S (Hamilton) 95.8%     | Bumblebees (Kahlo) 89.8% |
| RG (Potter) 95.7%       | 6D (Turing) 89.8%        |
| 3S (Keller) 95.7%       | Worker Bees 85.7%        |
| 5J (Churchill) 94.9%    | 4B (Attenborough) 83.7%  |



# BUSY BEE BUSINESS



## Rowling Class

3P have been learning about Jackson Pollock and his Action Painting technique! They had a SPLATacular time experimenting with splashes, drips and flicks to create their own masterpieces! They really made a SPLASH!



## Kahlo Class

Bumblebees had a BRICKtastic time learning the story, "The Three Little Pigs". They did some OINKredible learning as they created straw, wooden and brick houses and linked them to what they have learnt about materials!



## Jungle Class

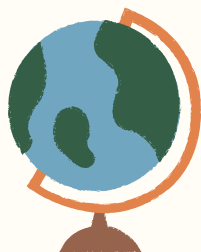
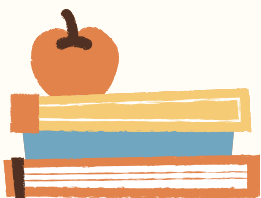
Preschool will be keeping their smiles BRIGHT and SPARKLING thanks to the Better Start Blackpool toothbrushing programme! The children learnt all about the importance of looking after their teeth and BRUSHed up on their toothbrushing skills as they brushed their teeth together!



## Pankhurst Class

2AM have been learning all about the word 'DEMOCRACY'! Last week, they put their learning into action by taking part in a school council election and voting for their chosen councillor. They were making their votes COUNT and having their SAY!

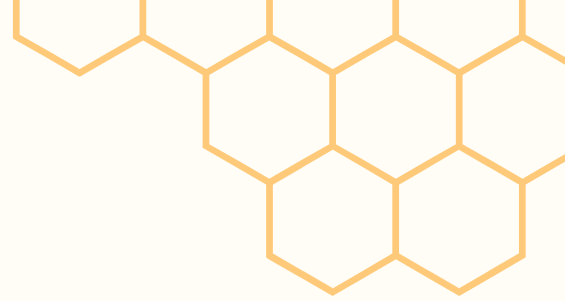




## Star of the Week

## Star Citizen

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|-----|--------------|-----|-----------------|
| RG  | Logan P      | RG  | Daisy H         |
| RM  | Rory L       | RM  | Haya S          |
| 1H  | Levy-Leigh V | 1H  | Harlee-George L |
| 1S  | Rhea G       | 1S  | Freya L         |
| 2CM | Melody H     | 2CM | Jaxson C        |
| 2AM | Esmae W      | 2AM | Jack M          |
| 3S  | Izabela S    | 3S  | Edwin S         |
| 3P  | Jayjae G     | 3P  | Melina A        |
| 4WT | Lucas M      | 4WT | Archie H        |
| 4B  | Lyna A-F     | 4B  | Ava-Grace W     |
| 5J  | Sophia W-N   | 5J  | Ava M           |
| 5S  | Ayda R       | 5S  | Teddy E         |
| 6D  | Scarlet H    | 6D  | Tommy T         |
| 6O  | Ellis G      | 6O  | Kian M          |



## Word of the Week

### Cajole

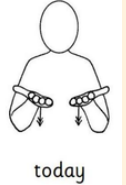
(to persuade someone to do something they are reluctant to do by using flattery, gentle urging or nice promises)

## Makaton Sign



today

Today



today

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

National 'Name your Car' Day

# ADVERTS & OTHER BUSINESS

**SCHOOL ADMISSIONS – SEPTEMBER 2027**

**PRIMARY APPLICATIONS**  
If your child was born between **1st September 2022** and **31st August 2023**, you must apply for a Primary School Reception place for September 2027. (Applications are required for all children with a 4th birthday between **1st September 2026** and **31st August 2027**).

**SECONDARY APPLICATIONS**  
If your child is in the final year of primary education (Year 6), you must apply for a Secondary School Year 7 place for September 2027. (Applications are required for all children who are in their final year at a primary school).

If you live in Blackpool (pay council tax to Blackpool) –

**APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE ON-LINE AT:**  
[www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

Before you complete and submit your application you are advised to read Blackpool Council's guide for parents at: [www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

The on-line system offers a quick and secure means of applying for places. Paper applications and information booklets are available from [schoolaccess@blackpool.gov.uk](mailto:schoolaccess@blackpool.gov.uk) or telephone 01253 476637.

**CLOSING DATES FOR APPLICATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2027**  
**PRIMARY APPLICATIONS – BY 15TH JANUARY 2027**  
**SECONDARY APPLICATIONS – BY 31ST OCTOBER 2026**

Applications received after the closing dates will be processed after all those which are received on time. If you apply late this may reduce your chances of an offer for one of your preferred schools.

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!**

If you pay your council tax to Wyre or Fylde then you will need to access Lancashire's on-line application system at [www.lancashire.gov.uk](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk). You can still express preferences for Blackpool schools on Lancashire's application system.

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**ABC** 

**Devonshire Primary Academy**

**Reception Open Evening**

Experience our nurturing and inspiring EYFS environment and meet our dedicated staff team.

We look forward to seeing you!

**Monday 5th October 2026**  
**4:00-5:00pm**

