

# THE DEVONSHIRE

# BUZZ



FRIDAY 6TH FEBRUARY 2026

## Headteacher's Notice

Hello Devonshire,

On Thursday, 60 Edison Class enjoyed an action-packed visit to Clip 'n Climb in Blackpool as part of the Clore Duffield Foundation grant! The indoor climbing centre offers a variety of unique challenges that tested pupils' agility, strength and confidence. The children had a wonderful time racing friends, setting personal bests and tackling creative obstacles. Thank you to the Year 6 team for making this a fun-filled and memorable afternoon for the children.

Today, we joined thousands of schools and nurseries across the UK in celebrating Number Day 2026. In support of the NSPCC, children and staff came dressed in fantastic number-themed costumes and everyone looked incredible. Throughout the day, pupils enjoyed a range of engaging maths activities, challenges and exciting puzzles. A huge thank you to Mrs Janes, our Mathematics Lead, for organising such a brilliant event. We hope to share the total amount of money raised very soon.

This morning, a small group of Year 5 and Year 6 pupils took part in a High Five Netball Festival at Blackpool Sports Centre. The children represented our school beautifully; they were impeccably behaved, displayed great sportsmanship and embraced the opportunity to learn new skills. They looked fantastic in their new netball kits, with several local schools offering lovely compliments. Thank you to Mr Parker and Mrs Hazlehurst for supporting the team at the event, and to Miss Stowell and Mrs Janes for organising such a rewarding experience.

I hope you all have a safe and relaxing weekend.

Warm regards,

Mr Simm  
Headteacher

## School Notice

*Please be reminded that it is the responsibility of parents and carers to notify the school's Attendance Officer of their child's absence before 9:30a.m. In the message, parents/carers must provide their child's full name and class, the reason for the absence and their own name and contact telephone number.*

*Notification may be made in writing, via ParentApp, or by telephoning the school on 01253 478271 and pressing Option 1 to leave a voicemail for the Attendance Officer.*

*This procedure must be followed on each day of the child's absence.*

## Upcoming Events

- 9<sup>th</sup> February - Valentines Disco (Yr 1, 2 + 3), 4-4:45pm
- 10<sup>th</sup> February - Valentines Disco (Yr 4, 5 + 6), 4-4:45pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> February - 6J to Clip n' Climb
- 12<sup>th</sup> February - Valentines Disco (Preschool + Reception), 4-4:45pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> February - School Closes for Half Term (normal time)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> February - School Re-Opens (8:40am - normal time)
- 25<sup>th</sup> February - 5S to Liverpool World Museum
- 26<sup>th</sup> February - 5D to Liverpool World Museum
- 5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day (Wear Pyjamas)
- 5<sup>th</sup> March - Year 3 to Bowness, Windemere (Info to follow shortly)
- 18<sup>th</sup> March - 2M to Lancaster Castle (Info to follow shortly)
- 19<sup>th</sup> March - RG to Nicky Nook (Info to follow shortly)
- 20<sup>th</sup> March - Red Nose Day (Info to follow shortly)

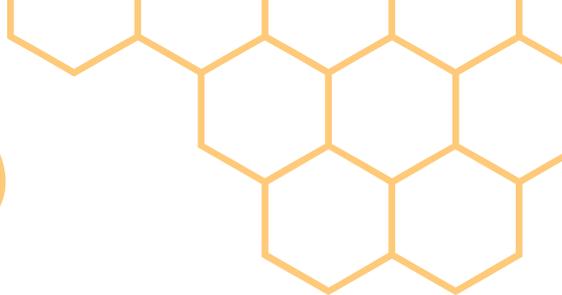
## Attendance

Whole School: 92%

Class: 2M (Mandela) 98.6%



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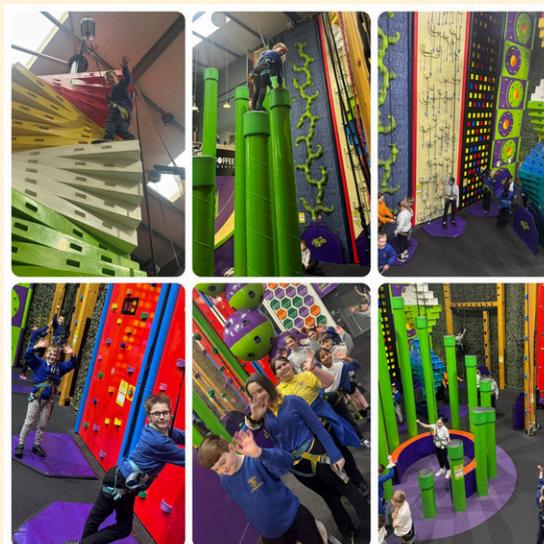
## Potter Class

RG took a trip to Liverpool, kicking things off at the Walker Art Gallery, where they BRUSHed up on some art history. After that, it was off to Liverpool World Museum, where they went global in record time - dinosaurs, planets and history all colliding in one place. A true WORLDwind visit that left their minds in orbit!



## Edison Class

6O took things to new heights with a trip to Clip 'n Climb, where they really got a good GRIP on adventure! Wall after wall presented fresh ups and downs, but 6O pupils just kept rising to the challenge!



## Jungle Class

Preschool children have been FRIENDtastic recently, talking about what makes a good friend, sharing time, spreading smiles and showing kindness. The children practiced taking turns and learned how to use their caring hearts to be kind to others. You could say they were BEST BUDS at buddying up!



## Hamilton Class

1S have been on the MOVE in DT! They've been making moving pictures using levers and pivots, turning simple designs into LEVERly creations. The children explored how things move, tested their ideas and discovered that, with the right pivot, their learning really CLICKed into place!



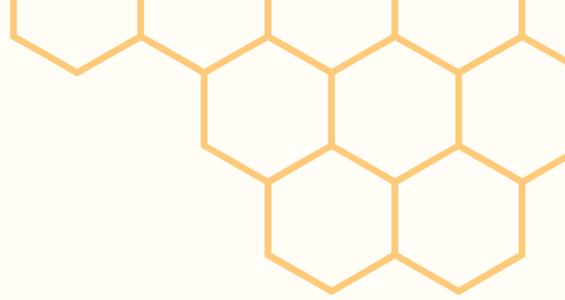


## NSPCC Number Day

Devonshire Goes Number Crazy for NSPCC Number Day!

On Friday 6th February, Devonshire proudly took part in NSPCC Number Day, the NSPCC's mega maths fundraising event and we really did COUNT it as a great success! Number Day is a nationwide celebration where thousands of schools and nurseries across the country ADD up their efforts to raise money for the NSPCC, all while having fun with maths. At Devonshire, we embraced all things number-related, from problem-solving and counting to exploring patterns and shapes. The children were truly number ONE, getting stuck in with enthusiasm, curiosity and big smiles. A huge thank you to everyone who took part and helped make the day such a sumthing special! This year, we raised £112 in support of the NSPCC.





## Word of the Week

### Scurry

((of a person or small animal) move hurriedly with short quick steps)

## Makaton Sign



Unwell  
Ill  
Poorly



## Friday 6th February

National Bubble Gum Day

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