

THE DEVONSHIRE BUZZ



FRIDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2026

Headteacher's Notice

Hello Devonshire

It has been a quieter week in school, but we have still enjoyed some lovely opportunities to come together as a school community.

On Monday, we began the week with our Harvest Assembly at St Thomas' Church with Reverend David. We were overwhelmed by the generosity shown through your donations to 'Helping Hearts'. Thank you to all our families who contributed what they could. The donations were delivered on Wednesday and the team at Helping Hearts were extremely grateful for your kindness and support.

Today, we have enjoyed taking part in Hello Yellow! By wearing yellow, we helped spread a little sunshine and raise awareness of the importance of talking about our feelings, showing kindness and looking after our mental health. Throughout the day, the children took part in a range of activities focused on kindness, positive emotions, friendship and supporting our mental wellbeing. Of course, there was also plenty of fun, with nail painting, face glitter and temporary tattoos adding a little extra sparkle to the day!

As we move further into the autumn term and the weather begins to turn colder, please could we ask parents and carers to ensure that children come to school with a warm, waterproof coat each day. Hats, scarves and gloves will also be useful as temperatures continue to drop. We aim to get outside whenever possible for playtimes and outdoor learning, so being dressed appropriately helps everyone stay warm, comfortable and ready to enjoy the day. As always, please ensure all items are clearly named.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for helping us to promote kindness, compassion and positive wellbeing throughout our school community.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mr Simm
Headteacher



School Notice

We hope you have been able to log in to Parents Booking and secure an appointment for your child's Parents Evening on Wednesday 14th October.

If you have not yet made an appointment or are experiencing any difficulties accessing the booking system, please contact the school office on 01253 478271. We will be happy to resend the booking link to ensure you are able to access the system and select an appointment.

Upcoming Events

- 14th October - Parents Evening, 3:30-6:00pm
- 19th October - Halloween Disco - Yr 4-6, 4:00-4:45pm
- 20th October - Halloween Disco - Yr 1-3, 4:00-4:45pm
- 22nd October - Halloween Disco - Preschool & Reception, 4:00-4:45pm
- 4th November - Year 6 to Fleetwood
- 11th November - Year 1 to Grand Theatre
- 13th November - BBC Children In Need Day - Pudsey Goes to Work Theme - £1 Donations
- 16th November - Odd Sock Day
- 18th November - Individual & Sibling Photographs

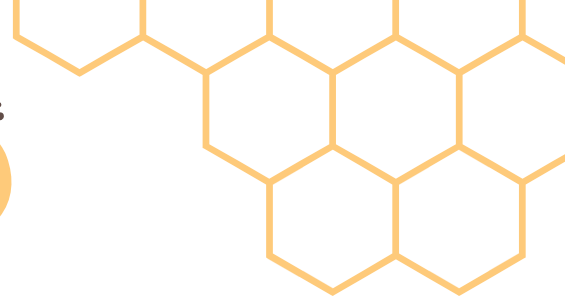
Further details about trips and events can be found on Class Dojo and Parentapps.

Weekly Attendance



6O (Blake) 98.7%	1H (Beethoven) 93.8%
3P (Rowling) 97.3%	RG (Potter) 93.6%
2CM (Mandela) 96.8%	6D (Turing) 93.1%
3S (Keller) 96.4%	RM (Berry) 92.9%
4WT (Nightingale) 96.4%	Worker Bees 92.5%
5S (Johnson) 96%	IS (Hamilton) 92.3%
2AM (Pankhurst) 95.4%	Bumblebees (Kahlo) 89.5%
5J (Churchill) 94.3%	4B (Attenborough) 87.9%

BUSY BEE BUSINESS



Attenborough & Nightingale Class

Year 4 had a right ROYAL time at Abbeystead Estate where they met Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne, The Princess Royal. The children also enjoyed pond dipping, meeting a working dog and even helping the Rural Task Force solve a crime! A brilliant day full of fresh air, fun and adventure!



Kahlo Class

Beehive Class had a JELLY good time exploring texture through sensory play! They loved getting hands-on as they touched, squished and investigated this wonderfully wobbly material.



Jungle Class

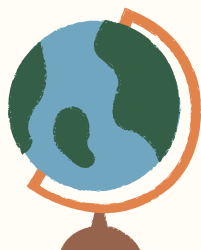
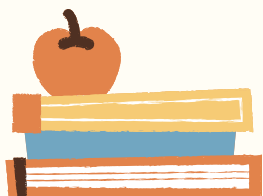
It was a KIND of wonderful day in Preschool as our little learners thought about what it means to be kind and caring. They practiced using good manners, kind words and calm voices when speaking to their friends and grown-ups.



Hamilton Class

1S have had a WHEELY good time looking at toys from the past as part of their topic this half term to learn about how toys have changed over the years!

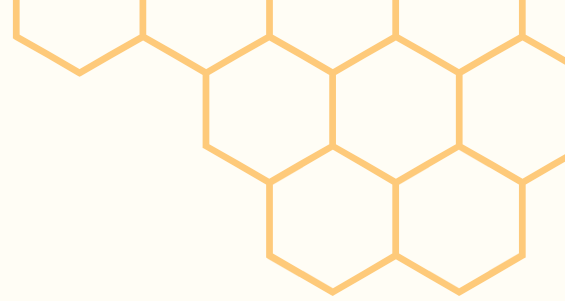




Star of the Week

Star Citizen

RG	Annastasia O	RG	Helena P
RM	Nyla-Rose P	RM	Archie D
1H	Hunter P	1H	Isla C
1S	Rygan P	1S	Emily M
2CM	Leo L	2CM	Dolly H
2AM	Zunaisha A	2AM	Ivie-Mae O
3S	Carlos A-E	3S	George A
3P	Matthews R	3P	Darcy-Rae H
4WT	Ivan N	4WT	Jack M
4B	Elisha B	4B	Lucas T
5J	Robert G	5J	Kaycee L
5S	Aria H-B	5S	Jayden J
6D	Aasta F	6D	Kallum C
6O	Cleo C	6O	Millie G



Word of the Week

Timid

(shy, nervous or lacking courage and self-confidence)

Makaton Sign



Day



Friday 9th October

International Beer and Pizza 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

Before you complete and submit your application you are advised to read Blackpool Council's guide for parents at: 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 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. You can still express preferences for Blackpool schools on Lancashire's application system.

www.blackpool.gov.uk

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Pilot Community Walk
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- 📅 Sunday 25 October 2026
- 🕒 Meet between 11:45am – 12:00pm
- 🕒 Set off at 12:00pm
- 📍 Starr Gate Beach slope, Blackpool

♥ **FREE TO ATTEND • All welcome** ♥

📧 To book on: colleen@euccic.co.uk

A welcoming space to connect, share ideas and use your voice. Come together to inspire positive change in our communities. ♥

This is our pilot walk – future walks and locations will be shaped by the group. ♥

Community Connection. Conversation. ♥

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