

THE DEVONSHIRE BUZZ



THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER 2025

Headteacher's Notice

Hello Devonshire!

As we wrap up a very busy half term here at Devonshire Primary Academy, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on another fantastic week.

On Tuesday, Year 1 had a truly memorable adventure, visiting Lakeside Aquarium and Haverthwaite Railway near Lake Windermere. The children travelled back in time aboard a steam train and enjoyed the stunning scenery of the Lake District. A big thank you to Mrs Horabin and Mrs Millerick for organising this trip, funded by the Clore Duffield Foundation, and to all staff who helped make it such a special day.

Last night, we welcomed families into school for Parents Evening. It was wonderful to see so many of you engaging with your children's learning. I hope you found the evening both informative and helpful. If you were unable to attend, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher via Class Dojo.

This morning, we celebrated our Stars of the Half Term. I was incredibly proud to hear about the hard work and progress our pupils have made since September across all areas of the Devonshire curriculum. A huge well done to everyone!

It's been a spooktacular Halloween-themed week, filled with exciting events. Our three Halloween discos were a great success and possibly our biggest yet! The costumes were phenomenal and it was lovely to see so many children enjoying themselves. Thank you to all the parents for your support and to our amazing staff who stayed behind to help supervise.

Just a reminder that school finishes today for Half Term and we'll return on Monday 3rd November. I'd like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all Devonshire staff, as always, for their tireless dedication and commitment to our pupils.

Wishing you all a safe, restful and peaceful half term break.

Warm regards,

Mr Simm
Headteacher

School Notice

Have you ordered your school photos yet from TEMPEST? A polite reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is Sunday 2nd November 2025. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link that was emailed to you, or if you have received paper order forms visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 5).

Upcoming Events

- 3 November – Back to School (08:40)
- 3 November – Remembrance Day Items For Sale (Donations)
- 5 November – Y3 Trip to Showtown Museum & Sea Life Centre
- 11 November – Remembrance Day (dress as WWII Evacuees/Wear Red)
- 12 November – 5D Trip to Showtown Museum (inc. Afternoon Tea)
- 13 November – 5S Trip to Showtown Museum (inc. Afternoon Tea)
- 20 November – Year 2 Trip to Clip & Climb
- 20 November – 4MT Trip to Liverpool Museums
- 27 November – Year 6 Trip to Fleetwood Museum and Glazey Days

Attendance



Whole School: 90.4%

Class: 3P (Rowling) 97.2%

BUSY BEE BUSINESS



Beethoven + Hamilton Class

As part of the 2025/26 Clore Duffield trips, Year 1 visited The Lakeside Aquarium & Haverthwaite Railway where they took a trip on a steam train. They had a RAILy exciting day!



Attenborough Class

They've earned a GEM worthy reward because they shine under pressure! 4MT had a games afternoon to celebrate achieving 100 jewels. The children got on so well together and it was lovely to see them having fun after a very busy half term!



Halloween Disco

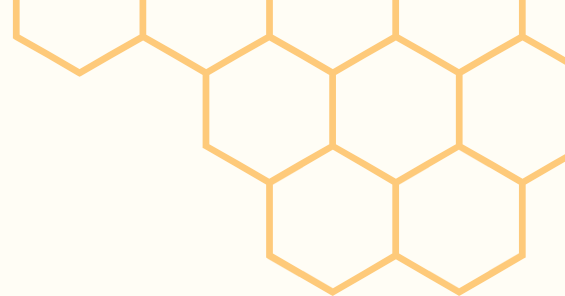
Get this party STARTLED! Ghastly ghouls and ghosts attended our annual Halloween Discos this week where they had a THRILLER of a time dancing the MONSTER MASH. FANGtastic fun!





Star of the Week

✦✦✦ Star of the Half Term ✦✦✦	
Preschool	Annastasia O & Addison C
RG	Lola H
RM	Yahya R
1H	Muhammad A-S
1S	Toby M
Beehive	Matt P
2MS	Tristan P
2M	Rocky P
3P	Sulaiman A-H
3M	Kelsey M
4MT	Kai G
4S	Wyatt T
5S	Anna-Leigh E
5D	Maddie M
6O	Dylan B
6J	Porsha N

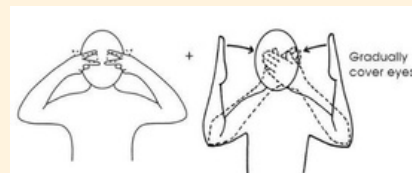


Word of the Week

Practice all previous weeks

Makaton Sign

Halloween



Thursday 23rd October

National Horror Film Day

ADVERTS & OTHER BUSINESS

**FREE UNDER 16'S
HOLIDAY SWIM**

MOOR PARK
MONDAY 1:30-2:30PM
TUESDAY TO FRIDAY
1-2:30PM

PALATINE
MONDAY TO FRIDAY
1-2:30PM

All swimmers must bring their
leisure card with them

Blackpool Council
ActiveBlackpool.co.uk

 **Holiday Activity and Food**

**HOLIDAY ACTIVITY
AND FOOD CAMP**

If your child attends a Blackpool school and receives benefit related **FREE SCHOOL MEALS** they can access our Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Camps during school holidays for free. We have HAF Camps for primary, secondary and SEND pupils.

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- Arts & Crafts
- Games Consoles
- Dodgeball
- Cricket
- Plus more activities!

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