

THE DEVONSHIRE BUZZ

FRIDAY 11TH APRIL 2025



Headteacher's Notice

Hello Devonshire!

We have come to the end of a busy and rewarding Half Term.

On Tuesday, we hosted Easter Bingo and it was a great success. Thank you to the many families who attended and enjoyed an evening of bingo, raffles and snacks. With your help, we managed to raise almost £400 for the school fund! Thank you also to the staff who gave up their time to organise and help out at the event.

On Thursday, we held our annual Easter Bonnet Parade and it was, as always, fantastic! This year, over 180 pupils submitted amazingly creative designs and I don't remember the standard of bonnets ever being so good! Congratulations to our 16 winners and a huge well done to all the children who took part! Thank you to Mrs Thomas for organising this year's event and to the School Council for playing the role of the judges!

This week, staff have been following daily themes to see if the children take notice of the environment around them. For secret staff spirit week we have worn blue, worn sports clothing, sported crazy hair and even worn odd shoes! Thank you to Mrs Holm for organising the fun!

Today, we say goodbye, not just to a colleague, but to a dedicated and compassionate teaching assistant who has made a lasting impact on our school community over 23 years. Mrs Hughes; thank you for the kindness, humour and support you have provided for our children. As you step into this new chapter of well-deserved rest and adventure, we wish you joy, relaxation, and all the happiness retirement can bring. We also say goodbye, good luck and thank you to Miss Hayes, who is leaving us after a short time in our Midday Team.

I wish all our staff, families and friends in our community a peaceful and enjoyable Easter holiday. We look forward to welcoming everybody back to school on Tuesday 22nd April.

Mr Simm
Headteacher



School Notice

👤 Parent Governor Elections! 👤

At Devonshire Primary Academy, we have provision for two parent governors and there is currently one vacancy.

No special qualifications are needed and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in our school and be prepared to play an active part in the governing committee's work.

If you are interested in supporting our academy in this way, or would like to nominate another parent (with their permission), please collect an election form from the school office. Completed forms must be returned to the school office by 4:00pm on Monday 12th May 2025.

Upcoming Events

- 22nd April – School Re-Opens
- 1st May – Reception Vision Screening
- 6th May – School Reports Out
- 7th May – Parents Evening
- 9th May – 1H to Ribby Hall
- 12th May – **Y6 SATs Week**



Please check Class Dojo, Parentapp and Facebook for further details.

Attendance



Whole School: 92.4%

Registration: Newton Class

Attendance Winner:
Yamen S (Y1)



BUSY BEE BUSINESS



Berry & Potter Class

A second group of Reception children visited Nicky Nook last week for what proved to be a glorious yet windy trip! The children hiked up to the top of the hill, enjoying the views across Blackpool and Lancashire. They took it all in, one STRIDE at a time and had a TOEtally FOOTastic time!



Keller Class

3H had an ELECTRIFYINGLY LIT lesson in Science, making their own switches in an electrical circuit to light bulbs. This lesson definitely SPARKED some great learning!



Hamilton Class

Let's make this VIRAL! Children in Year 1 have been revisiting the importance of good hygiene and how we need to use soap, not just water, to clean our hands and kill germs. BACTERIA safe than sorry!

Today we learnt about the importance of hand washing. We spoke about how germs live on our hand and how water alone will not get rid of germs. Then we looked at how to wash our hands properly.



Whole School

It's HOPpened! The children finally showed off their CRACKING Easter bonnets in our annual Easter Bonnet Parade! We've had HARE-rising EGGcitement from the children looking at all the EGGceptional entries! Congratulations to all our winners and well done to everybody who took part!





Star of the Week

Preschool Jungle Stars: Esmae E + Levy V

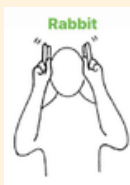
Star of the Half Term		Star Citizen		Presentation Star	
RM	Athena W	RM	Muhammad AS	RM	N/A
RG	Elijah C	RG	Jenson M	RG	N/A
1H	Edwin S	1H	Saniya S	1H	Bobby-John E
1S	Carter-James S	1S	Minnie A	1S	N/A
2AM	Mollie-Mae J	2AM	Libby-Mai T	2AM	Olivia G
2CM	Zircon L	2CM	Toby T	2CM	Caleb O
3P	Zahra A-H	3P	Max D	3P	Ryan P
3H	Joe-Joe L	3H	Lisha R	3H	Kyra B
4MT	Juwana M	4MT	Izzy B	4MT	Izzy B
4S	Joseph A	4S	Millie G	4S	Keira F
5S	Freyja M	5S	Harrison S	5S	Alexius C
5D	Mason D	5D	Treesa R	5D	Minnie G-W
6O	Yavin R	6O	Jessica W	6O	Destiny C
6J	Mariya A	6J	Charlotte C	6J	River S



Word of the Week

Revisit – preposterous, toil, exemplary, exuberant, indulgent & diabolical

Makaton Sign



Rabbit and Easter



Friday 11th April

National Pet Day

ADVERTS & OTHER BUSINESS

EASTER HALF TERM FOREST CAMP

MONDAY 14TH APRIL THURSDAY 17TH
10:00AM TO 2:00PM
STANLEY PARK
MEETING AT THE BOWLING GREEN
(///OTHER.SHINS.EXTEND)

£16.50 per day No lunch provided
£20 Lunch Provided

FREE Government funded places available for children on benefit related free school meals

ACTIVITIES:

- Easter Egg Hunts
- Easter Crafts
- Bush craft skills
- Den building
- Scavenger hunts
- Pond dipping
- Outdoor games
- Storytelling
- & More

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Blackpool Council

Department for Education

SCHOOL YEARS 1-8



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.

Our action packed HAF Camp includes four hours of:

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

MULTIPLE VENUES AND DATES

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