

DEVONSHIRE ___/ PRIMARY ACADEMY

The Best That We Can Be

Friday 13th September 2024

Headteacher's Notice

Hello Devonshire!

It's been a busy first full week back at Devonshire and the children having been working hard in all areas of the curriculum. It's been lovely to welcome our Preschool and Reception children this week and watch them settling nicely into their routines. Besides our youngest starters, we've also welcomed a number of new children in other year groups. We're sure you will all become wonderful members of Team Devonshire!

On Wednesday, we invited parents and carers to our 'Meet the Teacher' session after school. Thank you to everyone who attended, despite the weather, and I hope that you found the event informative. For those that weren't able to attend, we will be sharing class information sheets on Class Dojo and Parentapp. The sheets will contain important details such as staffing, key dates, homework and timetables; we hope you find them useful.

Next week, our Year 5 pupils are excited to be leaving for a residential trip to FSC Castle Head in Grange-over-Sands. This residential has been fully funded by DEFRA as part of their ongoing support of nature and we are very grateful to them for providing this experience for our pupils. I hope all the staff and pupils have a fantastic time and enjoy the wide range of outdoor activities on offer.

Next Friday, we are looking forward to welcoming M&M Theatre Productions back to Devonshire. This year, we will be jumping down the rabbit hole to watch their pantomime performance of Alice in Wonderland! This will be a performance for the whole school and it promises to be a very special afternoon for the children.

I wish you all a peaceful weekend.

Mr Simm Headteacher

LET'S SEE WHATS BUZZIN'

Year 1 have been laying the BUILDING BLOCKS for their future this week! It's lovely to see them settling into the new school year well.



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Next Friday, 20th September, M&M Productions will be in school to perform this year's pantomime,

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To allow the production company time to set up in the

school hall, all children who receive school dinners will be given a packed lunch on this date.

Children will place their packed lunch order with their

teacher ahead of time. Dietary allergies and intolerances

will be catered for. Thank you for your understanding.





Apply for your child's high school place in September 2025!

The closing date is 15 January 2025.

Apply online at:

https://emsonline.blackpool.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en

Apply for your child's primary school place in September 2025!

The closing date is 31 October 2024.

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School Uniform

Daily Uniform

Grey Trousers or Skirt/Pinafore



Yellow Polo Shirt
Royal Blue Sweatshirt/Cardigan
Black Plain Shoes/Trainers (full shoe with back and no logos)
We recommend children who are unable to tie their own laces
wear shoes/trainers with velcro fasteners.
Grey or White Socks or Grey Tights

Optional – Black Hijab for Muslim Pupils/Black Turban for Sikh Pupils/Black African Heritage Head Wrap Optional Summer Uniform – Grey Shorts or Blue & White Checked Dress

<u>PE</u>

Black PE Pumps/Trainers (full shoe with back)
We recommend children who are unable to tie their own laces
wear pumps/trainers with velcro fasteners.
Plain White T-Shirt

Black PE Shorts Or Black Tracksuit Bottoms/Joggers Grey PE Hoodie/Sweatshirt

Reminders for Parents and Carers



- Check all items of clothing and accessories are labelled with your child's name.
- Send your child to school with a coat in case of cold and rainy weather.
- Send your child to school with their book bag and reading record every day.
- Fill your child's water bottle with fresh water every day.
- Update personal/dietary information with the office or via ParentApp.

If you have any questions or concerns about the upcoming academic year, please discuss these with your child's class teacher.





PE Days

Year 1 - Monday + Wednesday

2AM - Monday + Tuesday

2CM - Tuesday + Friday

Year 3 - Tuesday + Friday

4S - Wednesday + Friday

4MT - Friday

Year 5 - Thursday + Friday

Year 6 - Thursday + Friday





Dates for your Diary



Wednesday 18th September - Friday 20th September - Year 5 Residential to Castle Head
Thursday 19th September - Whole School Mad Science Assembly
Friday 20th September - Alice in Wonderland Performance by M&M Productions
Thursday 10th October - Mental Health Awareness Day (Wear Yellow)
Wednesday 16th October - Parents Evening 15:30 - 18:30
Thursday 17th October - School Closes for Half Term at the Normal Time

Please see Class Dojo, Parentapp and Facebook events for more information.

STAR OF





Class Attendance: 4MT

Star of The Week		Star Citizen	
1H	Izabela S	1H	Bella F
15	Minnie A	15	Rebecca S
2CM	Lucas-James T	2CM	Isabella-Mary C
2AM	Jack M	2AM	Olivia G
3P	Sophia W-N	3P	Olivia A
3Н	Kyra B	3Н	Michael L
4МТ	Harper-Rose D	4MT	Juwana M
45	Freyja M	45	Maily A
5S	Freyja M	5S	Maily A
5D	Adon M	5D	Ebonie G
60	Bessie-Boo B	60	Talula G
6J	Cian C	6J	Patrick F



Friday 13th September Positive Thinking Day







