



THE DEVONSHIRE BUZZ

FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 2025



Headteacher's Notice

Hello Devonshire!

We have reached the end of another very busy and rewarding Half Term at Devonshire Primary Academy!

This week, a group of pupils from Year 6 have been busy enjoying a 2-day Bikeability Programme through Blackpool Council. Bikeability training equips children with skills, not only in cycling and road safety, but also independence, socialising and wellbeing. The instructors have been very impressed with the respectful and mature approach our pupils have taken towards the training and they have been a credit to Devonshire. I'd like to thank everyone involved but especially Miss Hayhurst for organising the programme.

Also this week, our Devonshire 'Wellbeing Warriors' have been raising money for the school funds. Together, they came up with the brilliant idea of designing and creating Valentine's Day gifts. The gifts were printed using our new 3D printer and were sold by members of the team over lunchtimes. The gifts sold out very quickly and, throughout the course of the week, they raised £104! A huge thank you to our Wellbeing Lead, Mrs Holm, and our Computing Lead, Mr Dodding, for supporting the children in their business venture!

Last night, the children enjoyed our annual Valentine's Discos; it was a fantastic evening, enjoyed by both the pupils and the staff! The children looked lovely in their party outfits and they danced the night away with their friends. I'd like to thank all of the staff who stayed behind to support the discos but especially Mrs Horabin, who organised the decorations, games and prizes.

I hope you all have a pleasant and peaceful half term break and I look forward to welcoming everybody back to school at 8:40am on Monday 24th February.

Mr Simm
Headteacher

School Notice

We took part in **NSPCC Number Day 2025** last week! Children came TWO school dressed as their favourite number or a person who uses numbers in their job. We had SUM fun celebrating numbers and taking part in ONEderful maths activities and games.

Thank you for helping us raise a total of £142 to donate to the NSPCC!

Upcoming Events

- 24th February – School Re-Opens
- 6th March – World Book Day (Dress Up)
- 17th March – Red Nose Day (Details TBC)
- 20th March – Reception Group to Nicky Nook
- 21st March – Devonshire Bee Day (Details TBC)
- 27th March – Reception Group to Nicky Nook

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

Attendance



Whole School: 92.2%

Registration: Beethoven Class

Attendance Winner:
Jana A-F (Y5)



BUSY BEE BUSINESS



Hamilton Class

PIVOT! 1S were tasked with using a pivot and level mechanism to design a moving picture. The work was OUT OF THIS WORLD!



Jungle Class

DONUT worry, they're not in trouble! Jungle and Jungle Cubs had some very important visitors this week to help them learn about people who help us. The police officers visited in their van and brought all their equipment too! The children even had a chance to press the sirens - give it ARREST!



Bikeability

I want to ride my bicycle, I want to ride it where I like!
A group of Year 6 children GEARed up for Bikeability.
Bikeability is the government's national cycle training programme designed to teach practical skills and help children understand how to safely cycle on the road. They've had a WHEELIE good time!



Valentine's Discos

The children had LOVELy evening at our annual Valentines Discos! The children looked super SWEET in their party outfits and they could HEARTly believe what a good time they had dancing the night away with their friends!





Star of the Week



Preschool Stars: Yahya R & Alice M



Star of the Week		Star Citizen		Presentation Star	
RG	Lexi W	RG	Skyler-Beth H	RG	N/A
RM	Billy M	RM	Jack M	RM	N/A
1H	Harmony M	1H	Izabela S	1H	Joey P
1S	Elsa E	1S	Mathews R	1S	Jayjae G
2AM	Libby-Mai T	2AM	Lucas S	2AM	Kelsey M
2CM	Ethan B	2CM	Ellouise N	2CM	Kenley M
3P	Olivia A	3P	Sophia W-N	3P	Arcadius C
3H	Freya-May B	3H	Zahra C	3H	Teddy E
4MT	Polly C	4MT	Jasmine F	4MT	Leona M
4S	Millie G	4S	Meral A	4S	Scarlet H
5S	Khaleesi C	5S	Ianis M	5S	Remi M
5D	Minnie G-W	5D	Adon M	5D	Glory S
6O	Violet B-C	6O	Edward C	6O	Sasha D
6J	Nishaali L	6J	Isaac M	6J	Arin A



Word of the Week

Picturesque

(visually attractive, especially in a quaint or charming way.)

Makaton Sign



Happy



Friday 14th February

Valentines Day

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