

# THE DEVONSHIRE

## BUZZ

FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY 2025



### Headteacher's Notice

Hello Devonshire,

On Monday this week, we invited children to come to school wearing something that makes them happy. The third Monday in January, also known as Blue Monday, is said to be the most depressing day of the year. At Devonshire, we turned all frowns upside down and what a happy day we had, spreading joy in our happy clothes. It was lovely to see children showing off their outfits.

On Tuesday, pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 enjoyed a day of Buddhism workshops. The children had an 'enlightening' time exploring genuine artefacts, reflecting on the 4 Noble Truths and listening to a 'singing bowl' and Tibetan bells. I would like to thank Kathy from RE On Demand for providing the pupils with such an enriching and kinaesthetic experience and also to Mrs McGinty, our RE Subject Lead, for organising the event.

Yesterday, we were visited by Mrs Notta and Mr Mirza, who are representatives of The One Trust based in Wolverhampton and London. They spent the morning being expertly showed around the school by our Head Boy and Head Girl. The visitors were extremely impressed with the behaviour and conduct of all of our pupils who were polite, engaging and respectful. Thank you to all staff for accommodating our visitors and especially to our magnificent 'tour guides', Rares and Amelia.

Next week, Year 5 are looking forward to their first PE dance workshop from 'House of Wingz', run by Blackpool's Showtown Museum. The pupils will be taught about the origins of ragtime music and how it impacted Blackpool in the 1800s-1900s. Over a number of weeks, Year 5 will create a dance routine to a piece of ragtime music. We are hoping that we will be able to host parents and carers to watch the final routine; there will be more details about this nearer the time. Thank you to our Year 5 staff, Miss Sutton and Mr Dodding, for organising this exciting experience.

Have a lovely weekend all.

Mr Simm  
Headteacher

### P.E Days

Reception - Thursday

Year 1 - Monday + Wednesday

Year 2 - Tuesday

Year 3 - Tuesday + Friday

4S - Wednesday + Friday

4MT - Monday (Swim) + Friday

Year 5 - Monday + Friday

Year 6 - Thursday + Friday

### Upcoming Events

- 31st January - Pyjama Day in Exchange for Sweets/Chocolate
- 7th February - NSPCC Number Day - £1
- 13th February - Valentines Discos - £2
- 14th February - Wear Pink/Red - £1

Please check Class Dojo for further details.

### Attendance



Whole School: 93.1%

Registration: Edison Class

Attendance Winner:  
Minnie A (Y1)



# BUSY BEE BUSINESS



## Hamilton Class

Year 1 have BRANCHED out of the classroom to learn all about trees! We're KNOT kidding you, they had a FIRbulous outdoor lesson!



## Reception Class

We're LOVIN' IT! Reception have had MCLovely morning role playing working in a makeshift McDonald's restaurant. The children used a menu to help them serve food to their friends. What a BUN in a million lesson!



## Jungle Class

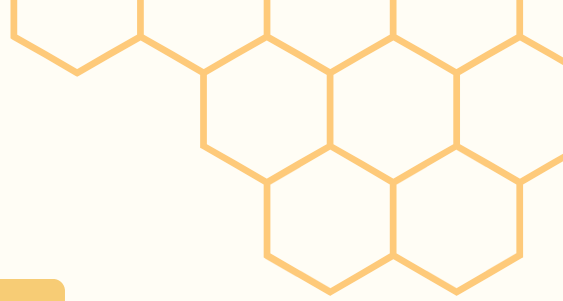
Preschool have been learning all about winter. The children discussed the weather and the effects it has on plants, people and animals. SNOW doubt about it - they had a BRRRilliant time warming up with a nICE hot chocolate!



## KS2

Children took part in Buddhism workshops with RE on Demand this week. They learnt the story of Buddha and explored Buddhist artefacts.





## Star of the Week

Star of the Week		Star Citizen	
RG	Dolly-Mai H	RG	Abigail G
RM	Gianna C	RM	Muhammad Az
1H	Olivia J	1H	Edwin S
1S	Nellie-Raye L	1S	Tristan P
2AM	Mia M	2AM	Ava T
2CM	Johan S	2CM	Denis G
3P	Cefania T	3P	Sienna T
3H	Lola D	3H	Eden J
4MT	Ellis G	4MT	Leona A
4S	Graceson I	4S	Nevaeh H
5S	Lilly-Rose B	5S	Alivia-Paige W-J
5D	Treesa R	5D	Dalton B
6O	Blake A	6O	Liam M
6J	Nishaali N	6J	Mariya A



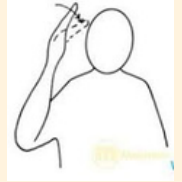


## Word of the Week

**Equilibrium**  
(a calm state of mind)

## Makaton Sign

Windy



**Friday 24th January**

National Compliment Day

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