



DEVONSHIRE PRIMARY ACADEMY

The Best That We Can Be

Friday 27th September 2024

Headteacher's Notice

Hello Devonshire!

We've had a mostly quiet week at Devonshire this week but today has been a very busy day! We held a Times Tables Rock Stars Day to celebrate the re-launch of TTRS. Both the children and the staff looked fantastic dressed in their rock star outfits; I'm always so pleased to see how much effort our families make! Throughout the day, we had a number of exciting maths-themed activities taking place to support our mathematics curriculum and raise the profile of times tables across the school. I would like to say a huge thank you to Miss Duffy and Mrs Janes for organising an amazing day for all.

The British Value theme for this month is Democracy. At Devonshire, we are recognising this by holding School Council elections. Over the last two weeks, the children have been busy nominating their peers and preparing speeches. Today, the voting booths are open and ready for the children to place their votes. I wish the best of luck to all the candidates nominated for our School Council of 2024-2025. Thank you to Mrs Thomas for organising this important event.

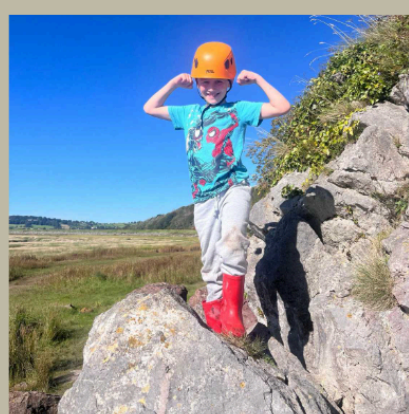
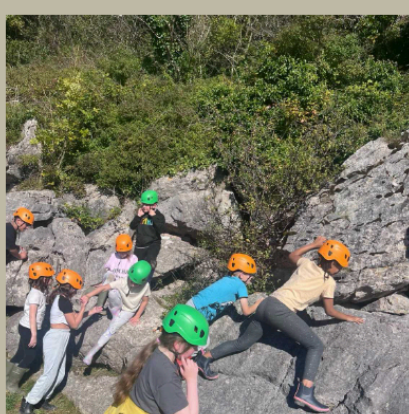
Today, we are also celebrating National Teaching Assistant Day. The staff and children have been busy this week preparing cards, letters and treats for our amazing team of learning support staff. Thank you to all staff who have been involved in making these celebrations possible and especially to our fantastic learning support staff for all the incredible work they do for our pupils and the school.

Mr Simm
Headteacher



LET'S SEE WHATS BUZZIN'

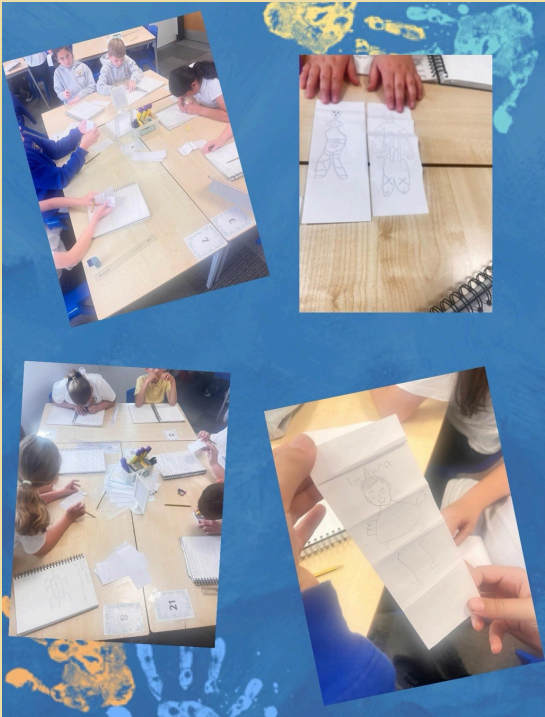
Year 5 had a qualiTREE THYME on a two-night residential at FSC Castle Head last week! The children were incredibly fortunate to have attended this trip, which was fully funded by DEFRA as part of their ongoing support of nature. We are very grateful to DEFRA for providing this experience, which consisted of rafting, hiking, camp fire skills, orienteering and much more!



Our children took a trip down the RABBIT HOLE to watch an Alice in Wonderland performance from M&M Theatrical Productions! It was a HARE-raising show! The actors were bonkers but... all the best people are!



Year 6 children have been DABbling with new art techniques whilst looking at Salvador Dali and his exquisite work on surrealism.



School Uniform



Daily Uniform

Grey Trousers or Skirt/Pinafore Yellow Polo Shirt
Royal Blue School 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

PE

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/School Logo White T-Shirt
Black PE Shorts Or Black Tracksuit Bottoms/Joggers

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 speak to your child’s class teacher in person or via Class Dojo.

Blackpool Central activities for you and your family						2 Sept - 31 Dec 2024
All sessions are free to attend unless otherwise stated. See ‘Activity Descriptions’ pages for more details and booking information.						
Location	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Central Family Hub Gorton Street, Blackpool FY1 3JW T: 01253 951190	Café 9am to 1.30pm Midwifery clinic 9am to 5pm Booking essential Well Baby Clinic and Baby Group 9.30am to 11am HENRY drop in 9.30am to 11am Cost of living advice drop in 10am to 11am Sip and Share with Hannah 11am to 12pm Parent Carer Panel 9 September 21 October 2 December 11am to 12.30pm Horizon Family Support Recovery drop in 1.30pm to 3pm Dads Peer Support group (pre-birth) 1.30pm to 2.30pm (post-birth) 4pm to 5pm	Café 9am to 1.30pm Midwifery clinic 9am to 5pm Booking essential Babbling Babies 3 Sept - 15 Oct 29 Oct - 17 Dec 10am to 11am Under 5's Holiday Session 22 October 10am to 11am Ready Steady School Starts 1 October 1pm to 2.30pm Triple P Teen Parenting Programme 12.30pm to 2.30pm Booking essential HENRY Preparing to feed my baby workshop 24 September 6pm to 8pm Booking essential Halloween photoshoot 22 Oct - 25 Oct 9am to 5pm	Café 9am to 1.30pm Midwifery clinic 9am to 5pm Booking essential Stop Smoking Blackpool Addiction Service 9am to 5pm Booking essential Baby Massage 18 Sept - 16 Oct 10am to 11.30am Booking essential Dance and Move 23 October 10am to 11am Chatting with Children 4 Sept - 16 Oct 30 Oct - 18 Dec 1pm to 2.15pm Baby Steps 1pm to 3pm Booking essential Busy Builders 4 Sept – 16 Oct 30 Oct – 18 Dec 3.30pm to 4.30pm	Café 9am to 1.30pm Midwifery clinic 9am to 5pm Booking essential Stop Smoking Service – Blackpool Midwifery 9am to 3pm Booking essential Sensory Time From birth to crawling 10am to 11am Private Fostering drop in 31 October 11.30am to 12.30pm HENRY Bears Stay and Play – Infant feeding support 1pm to 2.30pm HENRY Starting Solids workshop 7 November 1pm to 3.30pm Booking essential Get Crafty 5 Sept - 17 Oct 31 Oct - 19 Dec 3.30pm to 4.30pm	Café 9am to 1.30pm Midwifery clinic 9am to 5pm Booking essential First Stages of Pregnancy 9.30am to 11.30am Booking essential Blackpool Art at the Start 6 Sept - 18 Oct 1 Nov - 13 Dec 10.30am to 11.30am Monster Mash 3-11 years old 25 October 11am to 12pm Booking essential Baby Massage 1 Nov - 29 Nov 1pm to 2.30pm Booking essential Baby Steps 1pm to 3pm Booking essential The Big Food Truck Coming soon Look out for more information on our Facebook page.	SEND Saturdays 26 October 10am to 12pm Family Stay and Play 14 September 12 October 9 November 14 December 10.30am to 12pm

INTRODUCING CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS.

You scan, we donate ££s

Opt in required. T&C's apply. Excludes George.com. Min spend £2.

CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

ASDA Rewards Cashpot for Schools

Cashpot for Schools is really simple and easy to do! If you use the ASDA rewards app, please search for our school using our postcode FY3 8AF and link your Cashpot to 'Devonshire Primary Academy'. Each time you shop and scan rewards, ASDA will donate 0.5% of the value to our school without affecting your personal pot or rewards.

The scheme is running until the 30th November.

This is a great initiative to help schools raise funds and we would love your support! Thank you! ♥

CHARITY RACE NIGHT WITH A TWIST! SORRY YOU WILL HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE..

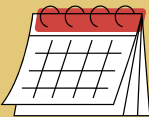
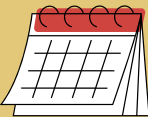
IN SUPPORT OF:

Come join us on 28th September, any time from 16:30, with the first Race 18:00 @ the Number 4 Pub. Layton Rd. Blackpool. FY3 8ER.

- Tickets £5 each including buffet food.
- All tickets will get an entry in the bottle draw.
- Bar available.
- Kids welcome.

Races, Raffle and lucky dip, with lots of amazing prizes to be won, come help us raise as much money as we can for such a worthy charity...

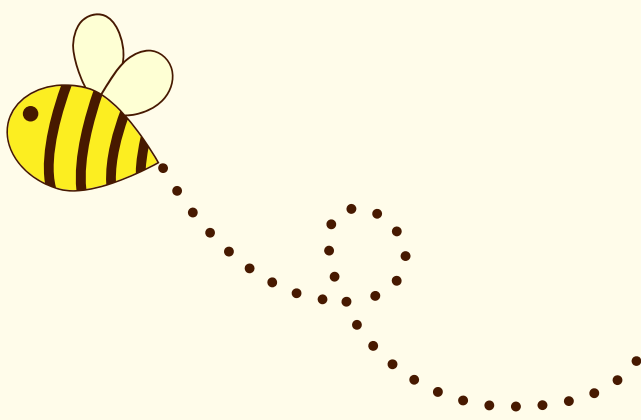
Dates for your Diary



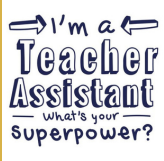
- Thursday 10th October - Mental Health Awareness Day - Wear Yellow and £1 Donation
- Wednesday 16th October - School Photo Day
- Wednesday 16th October - Parents Evening 15:30 - 18:30
- Thursday 17th October - School Closes for Half Term at Normal Time
- Tuesday 29th October - School Re-Opens at Normal Time
- Wednesday 30th October - Preschools Halloween Party (during the school day)
- Wednesday 30th October - Halloween Disco (Reception-Year 2, 4-4:45 & Years 3-6, 5-5:45)

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

STAR OF THE WEEK

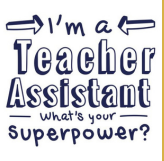


Class Attendance: 2CM			
Rock Star of The Week		Star Citizen	
1H	Aaron C	1H	Harmony M
1S	Wynter S	1S	Lillie-Mae P-G
2CM	Miriam M	2CM	Troy M
2AM	Ivan N + Logan S	2AM	Ava-Grace T
3P	Wyatt T	3P	Robert G
3H	Lucas F	3H	Riva-Blu D
4MT	Josh J	4MT	Britayley M
4S	Wyatt R	4S	Olivia W
5S	Joshua C	5S	Jaik J
5D	Mikolaj S	5D	Leo-John A
6O	Jaxon I	6O	Liam M
6J	River S	6J	Roeya B



Friday 27th September

National Teaching Assistants Day



THE **BIG FOOD** TRUCK



Want to save money on your weekly shop?

Why not sign up to be a member of The BIG FOOD Truck where you can get 3 bags of food for £6.50

The food changes each week, but there will always be:

- 1 bag of fruit and vegetables
- 1 bag of cupboard items
- 1 bag of chilled/frozen food

For more information, visit our website:
WWW.THEBIGFOODTRUCK.CO.UK



KIDS' COMMUNITY CHOIR

MONDAYS 5-6PM


CALLING KIDS AGED 5-12 TO JOIN US IN SINGING AT OUR KIDS COMMUNITY CHOIR

FREE ENTRY - JUICE PROVIDED


The Salvation Army, Raikes Parade, Blackpool FY1 4EL (front entrance)
Contact us on blackpool@salvationarmy.org.uk or 01253 626114 for more details

The Salvation Army registered Charity No. 214779 and in Scotland SC009355, Social Trust Registered Charity No. 215174 and in Scotland SC037931

ADULT COURSES



IT ALL STARTS ON YOUR DOORSTEP



COMMUNITY COURSES NOW AVAILABLE AT **DEVONSHIRE PRIMARY ACADEMY**

- ✓ SHARING STORIES WITH YOUR CHILD - 19TH SEPTEMBER
- ✓ CREATING A CALM HOME ENVIRONMENT - 3RD OCTOBER
- ✓ PARENTS ARE PEOPLE TOO: THE IMPORTANCE OF SELF CARE - 17TH OCTOBER
- ✓ TIME MANAGEMENT FOR PARENTS- 7TH NOVEMBER
- ✓ CREATING MAGIC MOMENTS: STRENGTHENING FAMILY TIES - 21ST NOVEMBER
- ✓ BUILDING STRONGER FAMILY BONDS - 5TH DECEMBER

THURSDAY, 9.15 AM - 11.30 AM

STAY LOCAL AND IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS WITH A FREE COURSE*

*Funding: £100000 to support adult and young people