



Autumn Term Newsletter No.2

What a lovely week we have had getting to know our youngest children. The Reception children have spent the week learning about their new classes and making friends—next week they will be staying for their lunch too. Lots of new experiences!

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend the Meet the Teacher Meetings this week to find out about routines and expectations for your child's new year group. There is a meeting at 3:05pm today for Y1 families and the last one is on Monday at 3:05pm for Y3.

Y3 and Y4 Survival

On Tuesday and Wednesday this week the children went to Fort Apache to learn about survival. They made shelters (which they were glad of when it rained!), foraged for food, and learnt about making fires. There were some very happy and very tired children by the end of the day. Fort Apache is an open access adventure playground and all play sessions are free. There are sessions every night after school. If you would like more information please follow this link:

<http://playtorbay.org.uk/adventure-playgrounds/fort-apache/>



More photos on our twitter page!

We are very proud of this week's Star Pupils!



Beech — Vinnie is a great role model for his class. He always sits nicely and moves sensibly around the school.

Pine — George has made great choices, always has a smile and is settled brilliantly in to Year 1.

Apple — Jameson makes an excellent effort in all his lessons and has a fantastic times tables knowledge

Oak — Oscar has produced some excellent writing about the Jolly Postman this week.

Birch — Edward has shown responsibility, maturity and used his initiative in the very first week of Y3!

Rowan — Ella has settled in well to her new school and is an enthusiastic and positive role model.

Cherry — Summer is very responsible around the classroom and approaches life with enthusiasm and a smile.

Maple — Bella has made an excellent start to the year at a new school! We are delighted she has joined us!

Holly — Jake had settled in to Y5 really well . We are very proud of you!

Willow — Max shows excellent participation in class and has started his first days in a new school really well!

Hawthorn — Anne-Marie is aspirational in her learning and challenges herself in lessons.

Hazel — Aaliyah shows excellent listening skills and participates fully in every lesson.

Diary Date Reminders:

Monday 18th September—Cherry Class swimming

Thursday 28th September to Wednesday 4th October —
Scholastic Book Fair in school from 3:05pm to 3:30pm



Attendance Award

Congratulations to Hazel and Pine Class for winning the School Attendance Award with 100% attendance. What a great start!

The whole school achieved 98.5% attendance overall—let's see if we can keep it this high all year!

We Did It! We earned the School Games Gold Mark again!

We are delighted to announce that we, have achieved the Gold School Games Mark Award for the 2016/17 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.



Our sporting achievements this year include: Qualifying for five Level 2 (Torbay Wide) competitions. Winners of the Level 2 Basketball competition. Qualifying for the Devon School Games (Tennis).

With a total of 198 young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, work-force and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year. A special thanks to everyone who helped us achieve this award.

We look forward to applying once again in 2018!

Information sharing between agencies supporting young people

Schools work with many other agencies to support children and young people in the Bay. One key agency is Torbay Education Safeguarding Service (TESS) who work alongside Social Care, the Police and Health services. TESS provide support to schools to ensure we can support our pupils when there are additional needs, and ultimately improve outcomes for them. This is only possible with information sharing and TESS have asked us to share the following paragraph with you:

“Torbay Education Safeguarding Service is a service working in partnership with schools to promote the welfare of children and young people, and to ensure they are safe from harm.

As part of their work they will receive information from partner agencies, such as the police and social care. If it is considered in the interest of the child or young person, this information will be shared with the school.

If information is shared, this will be in accordance with the key principles of the Data Protection Act and be on a need to know basis, and will only occur to help schools protect and promote the welfare of your son or daughter. When there is any sharing of information, schools should discuss this with you to enable a partnership approach to meeting the needs of your son or daughter.

If you have any questions about the service please ask your school, or telephone the Torbay Education Safeguarding Service 01803 393857

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