



Dear Parents/Carers,

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Sports Day events this year encouraging your children to take part and have fun in the different activities. As ever, it was also good to see a bit of a competitive spirit with our parents' races and staff races!

Next week sees our first 'Ellacombe Musical Extravaganza' at The Royal Lyceum Theatre in Torquay where all the children in years 1-6 are taking to the stage to show-off some of our singing from the last term. If you are unable to make this event, then the children will be doing some of this singing as part of the Celebration of Learning events the following week.

We have also been starting to think about 'endings and transitions' this week with our Year 6 children visiting their new secondary schools and children in EYFS->Year 5 visiting their new classrooms and meeting their new teachers. We will build on this during the final Monday and Tuesday of this academic year when the children will spend more time in their new classes.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Regards, Ms Alison Helm: Headteacher

### Book Amnesty

As we approach the end of the school year, could you please help your child to check at home for any school library books. These can either be returned to school with your child or dropped into the office.

Earlier this year, we relocated our library and purchased over 500 new books for the children to read. We are now ready to refill the library with the books the children have been reading for ready for September.



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## Ellacombe End-of-Year events July 2024

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July: Beach Party Fundraiser Event.** Raising money to pay for the children in years 3, 4 and 5 to undertake their swimming lessons. Please use the app to purchase tickets (£4 each).

3.30 – 4.30pm Years Reception -> Year 3

4.30 – 5.30pm Year 4 -> Year 6

Please drop off at the main office and pick up from the school playground.

Dressing up in suitable 'beach clothing' encouraged, please no swimwear!

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July: Ellacombe Musical Extravaganza** at The Royal Lyceum Theatre, 27-29 Abbey Road. Initially, there will be a **maximum of 2 tickets per family** to ensure everyone has an opportunity to come along. The Choir and drama group will perform in both performances; please only attend one performance. Tickets £2 per person; available to purchase from Friday morning. Normal school uniform. If you are unable to attend this event, we will also be singing some of these songs as part of our 'Celebration of Learning' events.

Red and Green Teams: 10.30 – 11.30am (Doors open at 10.15am)

Blue and Yellow Teams: 1.15 – 2.15pm (Doors open at 1pm) All children will need to return to school before being dismissed.

### **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July: Celebration of Learning**

Reception -> Year 3 1.45pm – 2.45pm (please note, year 3 are now on this date and not as per previous newsletters)

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July: Year 6 Leavers' Assembly** and Celebration of Learning 9.15am – 10.45am

### **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July: Celebration of Learning**

Years 4 -> Year 5 1.45pm – 2.45pm

**Mondy and Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> July: In our new classes with our new teachers:** Full uniform please.

### **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July: Final Day of Term - Class Celebrations**

Non-uniform day (the children should continue to wear full uniform up until today).

## HAF Holiday Clubs

There are lots of HAF holiday clubs happening in Torquay over the summer so please make sure you go online to book places for your children to make sure they get a space. Our Family Support Team can help with this if needed.

[Healthy Holidays Summer 2024 - Book for Torquay - Torbay Council](#)





5th July 2024

## Year 4 Geography Trip

Year 4 had an incredible time at Cockington for their geography field trip! They completed a scavenger hunt where they explored historical artefacts, studied the course of the stream and how humans use it, then examined the wildlife living in the various watercourses found in this stunning country park. It was great fun and the children would love to go back during the summer break!



## Attendance Awards

We are working really hard to make sure all our pupils are in school, every day and on time. Obviously we all get sick, every now and then, but if we are well, we need to be in school!

Well done to **Herdsmen, Little Horses and Hunters** classes for excellent attendance this week.



CLASS ATTENDANCE	HOUSE ATTENDANCE
ATTENDANCE	ATTENDANCE Christie House 94.43%
Little Bears: 83.64% Little Lions: 91.18% Little Foxes: 92.41% Little Tigers: 93.33% Unicorns: 91.48% Dolphins: 94%	ATTENDANCE Darwin House 92.26%
Little Horses: 97.33% Eagles: 87.92% Swans: 94.17% Herdsmen: 98% Heroes: 96.52% Hunters: 96.55% Warriors: 95.52%	ATTENDANCE Kinglsey House 92.13%
The winner is ...	ATTENDANCE Singer House 95%
<b>HERDSMEN!!</b>	The winners are ... <b>SINGER HOUSE!!</b>



## Stars of the Week



**Little Stars:** Kylo for some wonderful conversation this week and Rocky for being so engaged in his play.

**Little Bears:** Riley F for always working hard and showing all our school values!

**Little Lions:** Joey– making lots of effort to listen well and join in with all our learning activities this term!

**Little Foxes:** Elsie– for showing perseverance with her learning this week, especially maths!

**Unicorns:** Jensen– for his brilliant learning in all curriculum areas.

**Little Tigers:** Reiynd– for his fantastic handwriting!

**Dolphins:** Aidyn for his great use of vocabulary in his Greek myth.

**Little Horses:** Masha for her fantastic writing this week!

**Eagles:** Evie for her stunning enthusiasm for reading and sharing this enthusiasm with the class!

**Swans:** Bonnie for her effort, imagination and determination with her learning activities.

**Heroes:** Neveah for her excellent effort in all her subjects over the last few weeks.

**Herdsmen:** The whole of Herdsmen for an amazing year of learning!

**Hunters:** Ava– for an excellent week and for being a kind friend.

**Warriors:** Joh for brilliant participation in everything he does.





# ELLACOMBE ACADEMY

PROUDLY PRESENTS

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# MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA

Wednesday 10th July at the Royal Lyceum Theatre  
Kingsley House (Red) & Christie House (Green) @ 10.30am - 11.30am  
Singer House (Blue) & Darwin House (Yellow) @ 1.15pm - 2.15pm

Tickets can be purchased through MCAS

## Disco in the school hall

Tickets £4  
to help raise money  
for  
swimming lessons  
Purchase through MCAS

Monday 8th July  
Reception to Year 3  
3.30 to 4.30  
Year 4 to Year 6  
4.30 to 5.30

Sweets & drink  
included in  
ticket price



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**YOUTH GULLS**

Monday 29th July  
 Tuesday 30th July  
 Wednesday 31st July  
 Thursday 1st August  
 Friday 2nd August  
 Monday 5th August  
 Tuesday 6th August  
 Wednesday 7th August  
 Thursday 8th August  
 Friday 9th August  
 Monday 12th August  
 Tuesday 13th August  
 Wednesday 14th August  
 Friday 16th August  
 Monday 19th August  
 Tuesday 20th August  
 Wednesday 21st August  
 Thursday 22nd August  
 Friday 23rd August

**MINI GULLS**

Monday 29th July  
 Tuesday 30th July  
 Wednesday 31st July  
 Thursday 1st August  
 Friday 2nd August  
 Monday 5th August  
 Tuesday 6th August  
 Wednesday 7th August  
 Thursday 8th August  
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 Friday 16th August  
 Monday 19th August  
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 Friday 23rd August

**GIRLS COURSES**

Monday 29th July  
 Tuesday 30th July  
 Thursday 1st August  
 Monday 5th August  
 Tuesday 6th August  
 Thursday 8th August  
 Friday 9th August  
 Monday 12th August  
 Tuesday 13th August  
 Monday 19th August  
 Tuesday 20th August  
 Thursday 22nd August

**TIMES:**  
 YOUTH GULLS - 9.30am - 3pm  
 MINI GULLS - 10am - 3pm  
 GIRLS ONLY - 9.30am - 3pm

## Kids Club Session at MyDentist St Marychurch Babbacombe Torquay

Message from {mydentist}



'We're on a mission to improve children's oral health– and we'd like you to join us.

Sadly, almost a third of children develop tooth decay by the time they are five years old, making it the nation's most common childhood disease. In its report this year, The Royal College of Surgeons stated it was seriously concerned about the state of children's oral health in the country. At {mydentist}, we share that concern.

And we're determined to do something about it!!

So, over the summer holidays we will be holding "kids club" sessions for children to come and have a free one-off NHS checkup appointment and make sure their smile is fit and healthy. We would love for you take up us on this opportunity!

To book an appointment for your child/children, you just need to call 01803 328113 or pop into our St Marychurch practice and one of reception team will be more than happy to help!

Dates of kids club sessions are as follows;

- ◆ Wednesday 24th July
- ◆ Wednesday 7th August
- ◆ Wednesday 21st August

If you have any questions about this scheme, please do not hesitate to get in contact!'





5th July 2024

## Year 6 End-of-School Celebration

Our Year 6's had a great time last week at their end-of-year/school celebration. Thank you to all the parents for organising this fabulous event for them; great memories

