



Dear Families,

I hope you have all had a good half term break and everyone is feeling fully rested for Autumn 2.

Many of our Year 5 and 6 children have been on their residential this week down to Slapton Sands in South Devon; they have had a fantastic few days exploring different aspects of the countryside and coast as well as developing their independence by living away from home. As a school, we are always looking for new opportunities for our pupils to enable them to develop, mature and learn in different ways.

Thank you to all the parents who completed the Parent Survey; as a Senior Leadership Team we will be looking over these results and comments to celebrate the things we are doing well and look for areas in which we can always improve.

We would love it if you could join us next Thursday morning (14th Nov) as you drop your children off at school to come and read with them for a short period of time and learn about how we teach reading at Ellacombe; there might even be some biscuits to tempt everyone in.

Regards, Ms Alison Helm: Headteacher

Dates for your diary ...

<i><b>NOVEMBER</b></i>	
<i>Wednesday 13th November</i>	<i>Reception Open Afternoon/Evening for children starting Reception in September 2025 - see website for details</i>
<i>Thursday 14th at 8.45am</i>	<i>Reading and Cake! Save the date</i>
<i>Friday 15th</i>	<i>Interfaith Day in House Teams</i>
<i><b>DECEMBER</b></i>	
<i>9th December</i>	<i>Last week of After School Clubs</i>
<i>11th December</i>	<i>Rudolf Run for charity</i>
<i>13th December</i>	<i>Little Stars Christmas Celebration</i>
<i>18th December</i>	<i>Christmas lunch and Jumper Day. Celebration Afternoon - parents/carers invited in.</i>
<i>19th December</i>	<i>Christmas church service - years 2 to 6 from 1.30pm to 2.30pm</i>
<i>20th December</i>	<i>Break up for Christmas</i>
<i><b>JANUARY</b></i>	
<i>Monday 6th January</i>	<i>Back to school</i>
<i>Tuesday 22nd April</i>	<i>Extra non-pupil day—school closed for children</i>



## 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 and Hunters** classes **100% attendance** this week.



CLASS ATTENDANCE		HOUSE ATTENDANCE	
Little Bears	96.32%	Christie House	92.27%
Little Lions	87.06%		
Little Foxes	95%		
Little Tigers	98%	Darwin House	94.67%
Unicorns	91.29%		
Dolphins	96.52%		
Little Horses	96.43%	Kingsley House	98.57%
Eagles	98.67%		
Swans	96.67%		
Herdsmen	100%	Singer House	98.1%
Heroes	90.8%		
Hunters	100%		
Warriors	99.13%		
The winner are... <b>HERDSMEN AND HUNTERS!</b>		The winner is ... <b>KINGSLEY HOUSE</b>	



## STARS OF THE WEEK



	<b>Little Stars</b>	Yuwin for showing a lovely caring attitude to his friends.
	<b>Little Bears</b>	Jonathan for showing our school value of stewardship at tidy up time!
	<b>Little Lions</b>	Danya for his kindness, enthusiasm and wonderful contributions to group discussions.
	<b>Little Foxes</b>	Harvey - for your engagement with learning this week and showing our school value of per-
	<b>Little Tigers</b>	Kendrick - for coming back to school ready and engaged in all learning and for being so in-
	<b>Unicorns</b>	Unicorns - Colby for settling well into our Ellacombe family.
	<b>Dolphins</b>	Eduard for improving his expression when reading aloud!
	<b>Little Horses</b>	Zakhar for settling into Ellacombe life amazingly!
	<b>Eagles</b>	Skyla K for giving her 100% in every piece of work and for being a role model
	<b>Swans</b>	Isabella for your wonderful contributions to class discussions this week.
	<b>Herdsmen</b>	All of the children in year 5 and 6 for being amazing both on residential and in class.
	<b>Heroes</b>	
	<b>Hunters</b>	
	<b>Warriors</b>	

### UNIFORM

Wearing the correct school uniform is essential and a smart dress code benefits everyone. It creates a sense of belonging and unites us as a community, giving us all an identity to be part of and proud of.

It has been noticed that some children are coming into school in unsuitable shoes, hoodies and tracksuit bottoms. Our uniform is as follows.

- **Navy sweatshirt (jumper) with school logo (required)**
- **White polo shirt or white shirt with collar**
- **Grey trousers / skirt / shorts**
- **Grey or blue and white checked pinafore dress**
- **Grey or white socks or plain grey tights**
- **Black enclosed shoes**

Your co-operation is appreciated.

[Uniform Policy](#)



## COME AND JOIN US

We would love it if you were able to come into school at drop-off time on Thursday 14th November to spend a bit of time reading with your child/ren. We will also be sharing with you ideas about how to support your child with their reading at home.

All parents/carers in all year groups are more than welcome.

Just come in through the gates with your child at 8.30—8.40am and head to their classes.



## Fundraising Events

As a school, we are very aware that asking parents/carers for lots of money for school events and fundraising events can be quite stressful for some. As such, we have spent time this year thinking about which events and charities we will fundraise for in order to not be constantly asking you for donations. This term, we will be focusing our fundraising on the Rudolph Run for Rowcroft Hospice and a Christmas Disco to fund the year 3-5 swimming lessons. We are also selling poppies for Remembrance Day.





ELLACOMBE  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

# The Ellacombe Weekly

8th November 2024



Is your child starting 'big' school in September 2025?  
Come and visit our lovely EYFS Reception Class and  
meet the class teachers.

**When-** November 13<sup>th</sup> 2024 1.30-2.30pm & 4-5pm

**Where-** Via the main school office on the school site  
Ellacombe Church of England Academy,  
Ellacombe Church Road

Torquay  
TQ1 1T

**Who-** All parents and carers of children born between 1st  
September 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021 due to start school in  
September 2025.

Applications for Torbay primary school places open on  
November 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 and close on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025







## TORBAY COUNCIL

### ENGLISH

Was your child born between 01.09.2020 and 31.08.2021? You should apply for a primary school place before 15 January 2025. Contact your local primary school for information or telephone 01803 208908.

### MELAYU MALAY

Adakah anak anda lahir di antara 01.09.2020 dengan 31.08.2021? Anda hendaklah memohon untuk memasuki sekolah rendah sebelum 15 Januari 2025. Hubungi sekolah rendah setempat anda untuk maklumat atau telefon 01803208908.

### Polski POLISH

Czy Pana/Pani dziecko urodziło się pomiędzy 01.09.2020 r. a 31.08.2021 r.? Wniosek o przydział miejsca w szkole podstawowej należy złożyć w terminie do 15 stycznia 2025 r. Aby uzyskać informacje należy skontaktować się z lokalną szkołą podstawową lub zadzwonić pod nr tel. 01803 208908.

### Lietuvių LITHUANIAN

Ar Jūsų vaikas yra gimęs nuo 2020-09-01 iki 2021-08-31? Jūs turėtumėte teikti prašymą dėl vietos pradinėje mokykloje iki 2025 m. sausio 15 d. Susisiekite su savo vietos pradine mokykla dėl informacijos arba telefonu 01803 208908.

### Latviešu LATVIAN

Vai jūsu bērns piedzima laika posmā no 2020. gada 1. septembrim līdz 2021. gada 31. augustam? Jums jāpiesakās uz vietu pamatskolā līdz 2025. gada 15. janvārim. Sazinieties ar savu vietējo pamatskolu, lai saņemtu informāciju, vai arī zvaniet pa tālruni 01803 208908.

### Български BULGARIAN

Детето ви е родено между 01.09.2020 и 31.08.2021? Трябва да кандидатствате за място в основно училище преди 15 януари 2025 г. За информация се свържете се със своето местно основно училище или се обадете на телефон 01803 208908.

### Magyar HUNGARIAN

A gyermeke 2020. szeptember 1-je és 2021. augusztus 31-e között született? 2025. január 15-e előtt kérnie kell az általános iskolai felvételét. Forduljon a helyi általános iskolához tájékoztatásért vagy hívja a 01803-208908 számot!

### 中文 CHINESE

如果你的孩子是在2020年9月1日至2021年8月31日之间出生，那么你应该在2025年1月15日之前申请小学的上学名额。请联络你当地的小学以获取信息，或者是致电：01803 208908。



## School Nursing Service Parent

### Drop in

A member of the school nurse team will be attending your child's school on:

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024** between the hours of **9 and 10.30am**

We will be able to offer support and advise for:

- Bowel and bladder
- Diet and nutrition
- Sleep
- Emotional wellbeing (if there is an associated health need)
- Behaviour (if there is an associated health need)

**No booking needed, just turn up!**

