

It certainly has been a wonderful start to the year in our first half-term as Teignmouth Primary School! The children have settled in well to their new classes, and look incredibly smart in their new uniforms.

As always, we continue to look for more exciting ways to enrich our curriculum and give children fantastic experiences. Maple and Pine class enjoyed a fun trip on the train to iTown and many of our KS2 pupils enjoyed sporting competitions in netball and cross-country running! Following parent feedback, we have been giving children more opportunities to enjoy cookery (see overleaf for more details) and music: we have recently trained our staff in teaching the ukulele, meaning children will learn 3 different types of instrument in their music studies whilst at Teignmouth Primary School!

After half-term, we have two new teachers joining us: Mrs Peatt will be teaching in Nursery, and Mrs Drew will teach in Year 1 alongside Miss Gobel. We are really excited to have such passionate and creative staff joining our team. In addition, Miss Gobel and Mrs Pritchard will also be sharing the role of SENDCo after half-term.

I would like to wish you a wonderful half-term holiday. After the break, we have a huge amount of exciting events ready in the run up to Christmas– please see the diary dates below.

Warmest regards,

Mr Marchant

Diary Dates

Please find the diary dates below– **please note the 6th and the 13th December as our Christmas performance dates!**

- *KS1 are also planning a trip to Teignmouth Lifeboat– we are awaiting confirmation of dates.*
- *Reception have a trip planned for Marldon Christmas Tree farm but are awaiting further confirmation.*

31.10.23	First day back – children return to school following the half-term holiday
1.11.23	Reception– Beach Trip (rescheduled from last term)
8.11.23	Phonics meetings for parents
10.11.23	Willow and Hazel– Year 3 and Year 4 Quest Day– no dressing up required
Wb. 13.11.23	Anti-bullying week– Children wear Odd Socks Day on Monday
15.11.23	Reception parents invited to attend Outdoor Learning for Nursery Rhyme Time
17.11.23	Children In Need– the theme is ‘Spot-acular’, and the children are invited to wear something spotty
20.11.23– 24.11.23	Year 6 Residential Week <i>Tempest Photography visit for Reception, Year 2 and Year 4</i>
6.12.23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EYFS and KS1 Christmas Productions– 9:30 AM and 5:00PM • <i>KS1 Quest Day– more information to follow.</i>
8.12.23	Christmas assembly for EYFS and KS1 Oak and Elder- Year 5 and 6– Quest Day– <i>The children are invited to come in dressed as Polar animals or explorers.</i>
	CHRISTMAS WEEK
11.12.23	<i>Singing Club performing at a local residential home</i>
12.12.23	ELF Day– the children will take place in a charity fun run
13.12.23	Christmas Pantomime in School KS2 Christmas Concert at Teignmouth Pavillions- parents are invited to watch their children perform at the Pavillions after school– times TBC.
14.12.23	Christmas Dinner Day and Christmas Jumper Day– Children will be able to order online. Children are invited to wear Christmas Jumpers. In the afternoon, the children will have a hot chocolate and a Christmas Film.
14.12.23	Last day of school before half term holiday
15.12.23	REVIEW DAY– appointments will be available to meet your child’s teacher
3.1.24	First Day of Spring Term



FANTASTIC FUNDRAISING We have been proudly supporting ELF (the Exeter Leukaemia Fund) as our charity of choice. The children have raised more than £200 to support families in hospital. In addition, Willow Class have been busy designing special Christmas bunting that can be put up in hospitals to provide a bit of festive cheer over the Christmas period.

DAHLICIOUS DAY We love reading at Teignmouth Primary School! It was especially exciting to celebrate the works of Roald Dahl with the pupils. As well as dressing up in some fantastic costumes, a range of 'whoopsy whiffing' activities took place! Our older pupils shared stories with the younger years, some pupils learnt a Revolting Rhyme to perform, and the teachers enjoyed sharing their favourite Roald Dahl story.



COOKING UP A TREAT! As part of our DT curriculum, children all have opportunities to cook and bake every year. In Oak and Elder class, Year 5 and 6 pupils enjoyed designing and baking their own Maya-inspired bread. In Tree Tots Nursery, the children made a delicious carrot soup!



HARVEST FESTIVAL At Teignmouth Primary School, we take a real pride in our wider community and love to help others. Thank you so much to everyone for your harvest donations. Jackie Jackson, our governor and councillor who works with the community larder, would like to share this message with you:

Teignmouth Primary School and Nursery, thank you, children, teachers, mums and dads for being so generous at your harvest festival and collecting all this food for people going through tough times. Here's Naughty George my dog helping me to pack it all up, for taking it for the larder packs on Wednesday!



**Reception
Open Days**

Teignmouth Primary School
would like to invite you to
our Open Days

Thursday 2nd November: 9.30am
Thursday 9th November: 9.30am
Tuesday 14th November: 1.30pm

Led by our Head of School, you and your child can enjoy a tour of our classrooms and teaching areas, explore our wonderful grounds and get to know us better!

To book a place please email
info@teignmouthschool.co.uk
or call 01626 772320



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If you know someone looking for a school for Reception 2024, please let them know about our tours happening next half-term!