

Teignmouth Community School, Mill Lane

Autumn 2 Newsletter

What an incredible term this has been! The children have been enjoying exciting experiences– from fun quest days to wonderful trips– and it’s wonderful to hear the children’s fondness for these memories. However, it is the day-to-day that really stands out. Visitors to the school talk about the ‘buzz’ and atmosphere at Mill Lane: the pupils are respectful, responsible and love learning. One huge success has been the range of our curriculum (look overleaf to see the impact of our new timetable). We are also hugely grateful to you, the parents and carers, for your continued support. Thank you for all you do.

I wish you all a wonderful, happy Christmas and we look forward to welcoming your children back in 2023!

Mr Marchant

Diary Dates

Following parent feedback, we have put together our key dates for the next half-term. KS1 and Years 5 and 6 are also holding trips this half-term, and will be in contact once their arrangements are complete.

04.01.23	Spring term begins – children return on Wednesday 4 th January
11.01.23	Year 3 and 4 trip to Tiverton Museum – more information to follow
15.01.23	World Religion Day
30.01.22	After-school Fundraising Events happening this week: ‘Stay and Read’- parents are invited to purchase a coffee and cake, and read with their children in the library.
31.01.23	Year 1 and 2 trip to Paignton Zoo
02.02.23	Year 5 and 6 trip to Paignton Zoo
03.02.23	NSPCC Number Day – your child is invited to come dressed up as a robot (EYs and KS1) or a rock star (KS2)
06.02.23	Mental Health Week
07.02.23	Safer Internet Day
08.02.23	Year 3 and 4 Quest Day – the children are invited to come in dressed as Romans
09.02.23	Year 5 and 6 Quest Day – the children are invited to come in dressed as explorers or animals Year 1 and 2 Quest Day – the children are invited to come dressed as an animal.
09.10.22	LAST DAY OF PUPILS IN SCHOOL
10.02.23	Non-Pupil Day on Friday
13.02.23	Half term holiday begins
20.02.23	Children return to school

CLUBS AND TRIPS— From a wonderfully musical recorder club to exciting battles in chess club, the children have really enjoyed the wider experiences on offer. We've been very impressed with how well children have done in some of our local competitions! It's been wonderful to see everyone enjoying their trips this term, and making the most of our local area.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Thank you to everyone who supported the 'Book and Bake' - it was wonderful to see so many families supporting our Y6 fundraising! We've greatly enjoyed our Reception workshops, coffee mornings with the Children's Centre, and parent craft sessions! Thank you again to those who attended the parent forums for your feedback.

CHRISTMAS AT MILL

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—There has certainly been Christmas magic in the air at our school! Parents have attended a special Christmas craft workshop, pupils have shared decorations and gifts with Exeter Leukemia Fund, and the children have all been busy rehearsing for their performances next week! Of course, there's even more excitement due to happen with Christmas dinners, Christmas Jumper Day, the 'Get a Gift' sale, and our charity ELF day. There are even rumours that Santa may be visiting next Thursday...



Have you joined our Facebook Group?



To keep up to date with more of the exciting things happening in our school, look for 'Teignmouth Community School, Mill Lane' on Facebook. Feel free to share some of the amazing things happening with friends and family!



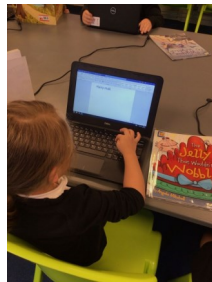
One big change this year has been to our curriculum timetable. We now cover all subjects more regularly. We've had some great feedback from pupils and parents. Beyond our core subjects of science, English and mathematics, we ensure that children are enthused by our broad and exciting curriculum. But don't take our word for it! Look at all of the amazing learning that's happened this term! Can you spot what your child has been studying?

Outdoor Learning - This is something extra that we offer at our school- the children love it and we feel it is important our pupils experience the outside world.



PSHE - We've learnt about our relationships, and valuing the difference between each other. We like learning how to discuss these things with our peers.

Computing - We can make music, create 3D models, and more just from our weekly computing this term!



History - From the Bronze Age to Victorians, we've been working on exploring timelines and links across our history.



Geography

Fantastic field trips and exploring the world? We love finding our way in geography.

Music—From composers in other cultures, to superb Christmas singing, our weekly music is wonderful fun.



Art- From Van Gogh to William Morris, we have been exploring famous artists and artwork!

PE —From tournaments to gymnastics and football, pupils love their PE sessions.



Spanish - KS2 have enjoyed their weekly Spanish learning. Bien!

RE—Pupils say: 'we love learning about other people's views' as they explore their own beliefs.



Design Technology

Look at all of this cooking! DT has been delicious in autumn!

