

Dear parents and carers,

It has been a wonderful Autumn 2 at Teignmouth Primary School.

We are always looking for ways to enrich our children's learning and provide them with wider experiences. This has been clear from a range of exciting trips (the Year 6 Residential, Year 3 and Year 4's church visit, the Reception trip to Marldon Christmas Tree Farm, and the KS1 adventure to the Teignmouth Lifeboat Centre). Of course, all classes have enjoyed their Quest Days this half-term (please look on our Facebook page for more photos of the fun activities that they have been experiencing).

There has been the excitement of Christmas in the air, and the children have had a wonderful end to the term with a particularly exciting Christmas week— please see overleaf for more information!

One of the best things at Teignmouth Primary is seeing the incredible learning that our children do every day. A recent review from our School Improvement Partner commented on how fantastically well-behaved our children were, and how they continued to challenge themselves in lessons. The pupils certainly made us incredibly proud then— as they do every day. All that is left to say is Merry Christmas! We wish you all a wonderful holiday break and we look forward to seeing you all in 2024.

Warmest regards,

Mr Marchant

Diary Dates

- Please find the diary dates below for the next half-term.
- Year 5 and Year 6 will have a trip to Torre Abbey with dates to be confirmed (costing approximately £5).
- Please note that, due to a school training day, our last day is Thursday 8th February

3.1.24	First day back – children return on Wednesday 3rd January
12.1.24	Year 1 and 2 Quest Day - non-uniform— children to come in dressed in one colour
23.1.24	Impact Day— Children to come to school in PE kit
25.1.24	National Child Measurement Programme 2024 - (Rec and Year 6)
1.2.24	Year 5 and Year 6 Quest Day— no dressing up required
2.2.24	NSPCC Number Day — KS2 children are invited to dress up as Rock Stars. Reception and KS1 are invited to dress up as Robots.
5.2.24- 8.2.24	Children's Mental Health week, and Safer Internet Day— activities will take place in class connected to this
8.2.24	Year 3 and 4 Quest Day—no dressing up required
8.2.24	Last day of half-term— Children break up on Thursday 8th February

FESTIVE FUN! Christmas is always a magical time of year at Teignmouth Primary School, and this year was certainly no exception! We had an incredible nativity performance of 'Bethlehem Bake Off' from Reception and KS1. KS2 lit up the stage at Teignmouth Pavilions with their Christmas Concert. Our Nursery children loved welcoming in their parents and carers for a special Christmas Event. All of the children have also enjoyed ELF day, where they dressed as elves and participated in a charity fun run to raise awareness for Exeter Leukaemia Fund (more of that below). On the last day of term, we have also been enjoying Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Dinner, and a festive film treat. At the time of writing, we also have the Christmas Disco approaching! The children have had a wonderful time. Merry Christmas!



HEART OF OUR COMMUNITY

At Teignmouth Primary, we believe in taking pride in our community and want our pupils to see the impact they can have on the world around them. Already this term, we have enjoyed numerous charity events with Exeter Leukaemia Fund, including designing a Christmas tree and donating toys to the charity. Our singing club have performed at the library and a local residential home; the church has also appreciated all of the children's contributions to the Harvest Festival.



YEAR 6

RESIDENTIAL

Our Year 6 pupils had a wonderful time on their residential trip to Grenville House in Brixham! Over their week, they took part in a huge amount of challenging outdoor activities. From kayaking in the sea to abseiling in a quarry, caving deep underground or climbing the high ropes, the children all showed huge amounts of resilience and courage. What was particularly impressive was the way the children all supported each other and showed the kindness and respect that we value so much at Teignmouth Primary. Well done, Year 6! We are all incredibly proud of you.



PARENT EVENTS Thank you to all of the parents and carers who attended our classroom events over this term! From phonics workshops in Reception, to reading sessions in KS2, it's been wonderful to welcome so many of you in during the school day. We will also be holding another parent forum in spring term, and we look forward to working together even further.

