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School News

A message from Mrs. Denham

It has been lovely to be back into school and see all the children's smiley faces and hear all about their Christmas holiday adventures. What a change in temperature we have seen this week! Can we please ask that you send your child into school with a warm coat and hat and gloves as you feel is necessary? We are obviously ventilating the classroom as much as possible but we trying to ensure the classrooms stay as warm as possible. We open all the doors at playtimes and lunchtimes to allow a clear flow of air throughout the classroom.

A main priority in school is to promote a LOVE OF READING in every child. Over the last year we have heavily invested in new ways of supporting your child to read. We have purchased the Read Write Inc. phonics programme to develop a structures and systematic approach to learning phonics, writing and writing. It is designed to create fluent readers, confident speakers and willing writers. We have also bought the accelerated Reader programme which is a computer-based program that we use to monitor reading practice and progress. It helps us guide children to books that are at children's individual reading levels. The children take short quizzes after reading a book to check if they've understood it. We hope your children will be able to tell you about these programmes in the coming weeks.

School News

We have many lunch boxes in school which have not been claimed. We have put them in the shelter on the bottom playground, please check on Monday to see if any belong to you.

'Times Tables Rock Star' day

On Tuesday 25th January the Year 4s will be taking part in a 'Times Tables Rock Star' day.

All of Year 4 are invited to come in dressed as rock stars (this could include jeans, trainers, or simply non-uniform that they feel comfortable in). Throughout the day they will be taking part in fun times table and Maths activities including making times table board games and using time and money skills to help them problem solve.

PE - Spring Term

Please could your child come into school in their PE kit on the following days:

Class Torridge: Wednesdays & Thursdays

Class Taw: Wednesdays & Thursdays

Class Lyn: Tuesdays & Wednesdays

Class Bray Tuesdays (Gymnastics beginning 18th Jan) & Wednesdays

Bray Class

A reminder, Year 1 & Reception children will be attending Falcons Gymnastics next Tuesday 18th January. The total cost for 9 sessions will be £47.00, payable on Parent Pay. A letter has been sent providing you with details.

Cricket Lessons

Every Tuesday from 10:30 to 11:30, until half term, Class Lyn will be having cricket lessons. Please ensure that your child wear their PE kit to school.

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<https://ventrus.org.uk/our-people/privacy-notices/>

<https://ventrus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Pupil-Privacy-Notice-2021-Final.pdf>

Admission to Primary School September 2022

Admission to primary school 2022 (for children born between 01/09/2017 and 31/08/2018) The application facility opened on 15th November 2021 and closes at midnight on 15th January 2022. It is important that parents apply before the closing date, even if they are intending to defer their child's admission until later in the academic year, they must secure a place before that decision need be made.

The Step by Step Guide and poster is now available for download from our website,

http://www.primaryschoolsbarstaple.co.uk/website/joining_our_school/261003

The Education Helpline Advisers are on hand to manage queries and will help parents navigate the system if necessary, telephone 0345 155 1019.

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/DCCSchoolAdmissions> and twitter [www.twitter.com/DevonAdmissions](https://twitter.com/DevonAdmissions)

Free School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please go to the [Citizen Portal](#) which is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in an instant decision.

ParentPay

These trips are now available for payments to be made on ParentPay:

Gymnastics for Bray Class

Skern Lodge – Residential Year 3&4

Ventrus Job Vacancies

<https://ventrus.current-vacancies.com/v?id=VENTRUSMUL&t=Ventrus-Careers>

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Dates for your diary

16 th January 2022	Year 6 SATS Meeting via teams at 4.30pm
18 th January 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
25 th January 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
1 st February 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
8 th February 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
15 th February 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
21 st to 25 th February 2022	Half Term
1 st March 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
7 th to 13 th March 2022	Parent Conference Week
8 th March 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
15 th March 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
22 nd March 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
30 th March to 1 st April 2022	Skern Lodge Residential for Yr. 3 & 4 Pupils
7 th April 2022	Easter Service 11:00am in St Peters Church
8 th April 2022	Last Day of Spring Term
11 th April to 22 nd April 2022	Easter Holidays
25 th April 2022	Children return to school
2 nd May 2022	Bank Holiday
27 th May to 3 rd June 2022	Half Term
22 nd July 2022	Last day of Summer Term

PTA News

Preloved uniform

Has your child outgrown their uniform? Is it still in good condition? If so, please donate it to our school PTA. If you have any Bratton Fleming logo uniform, you feel you are able to donate please bring it to our school office. Preloved uniform is available to buy from Chantal Shapland (PTA chairperson) from £2 per item and helps to raise money for our school. Please don't hesitate to contact her for any items the PTA may have available.

[https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/cause-data/046ca73f-e6b2-472e-aadc-c69aa4bdced8/leaflets/f45d5656-d12d-439b-8859-efafb6f3f7b3/ysl back to school sept2021%20-%20digital.pdf?updated=637612624401200000](https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/cause-data/046ca73f-e6b2-472e-aadc-c69aa4bdced8/leaflets/f45d5656-d12d-439b-8859-efafb6f3f7b3/ysl%20back%20to%20school%20sept2021%20-%20digital.pdf?updated=637612624401200000)

Many thanks for your support.