

# SMUPS News

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## Hello from the Head

This week has really flown by and half term is fast approaching. Our harvest festival donations have been taken to South Molton Food Bank and have been weighed and added to the stock, ready for distribution. We donated an amazing amount, which will make up well over 200 meals. Thank you to everyone for their kind and generous donations.

On Tuesday, Year Five joined over 1500 other primary school children at Westpoint in Exeter for the Farmwise event. There they learnt about where our food comes from and the importance of farming and food production. They had a great day out. Well done year five.

In school, there has been a great buzz of learning and it is great to see the children learning with so much enthusiasm. Yesterday, we showed a visitor from another school around who had come to look at our work on curriculum and she was very complimentary about the children's learning and the work they were doing.

A reminder that there are the PTFA discos next Friday. Key Stage One disco is at 3pm—4pm. Please pack your child's disco clothes to change into (so they don't get them dirty during the school day). Please make sure you pay in advance. Pick up will be from their normal place. Key Stage Two disco is at 4:15pm—5:15pm. Children will be picked up from their normal pick up point. Please make sure you pay in advance. A reminder email will be sent out next week.

Have a wonderful weekend.

## Collective Worship

This week we have continued to focus on our theme of thankfulness. On Tuesday Pine class led Collective Worship on what they were thankful for.

## Things to Remember

- Please do not park on the school site at normal pick up and drop off times. The safety of the children and pedestrians is paramount. Please park carefully and considerately on the roads near to the school and use the pedestrian path.
  - Please ensure that break time snacks and lunchboxes are healthy and nutritious.
- School starts at 8:30am for Reception and KS1. Please ensure children are at school, ready to be let in for a prompt start at 8:30am. KS2 start at 8:45am.
  - Please support your child with their home learning.
  - Long hair to be tied back and nail varnish removed.

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## CERTIFICATE WINNERS

Each week, we celebrate brilliant learning in our celebration assembly.

We give out certificates for Resilience, Resourcefulness,

Relationships, Risk and Reflectiveness as these are our

Building Learning Powers.

ACORNS: Erica & Austin

OAK: Jenson & Lucas

ASH: Lara & William

PINE: Leah-Mai & Riley

BEECH: Max & Liberty

HOLLY: Jack & Sophie

WILLOW: Emily & Mila

ELM: Blake & Ella M

Well done to Evanna, Lilly-May, Delilah, Poppy, Beatrice and William for winning the Numbots certificates for this week.

Well done to Elyssia, Mia, Alfie L, Steve, Alex, Emily, Isaac, William, Ella H and Heidi for winning the TTRS certificates for this week.

Well done to Maylah in Willow class for achieving 250,000 words on Accelerated Reader. Great effort.

## ATTENDANCE

0 days of school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

The attendance percentages for each Class this week are

Year One Oak: 97.5%

Year Two Ash: 98.4%

Year Three Pine: 95.5%

Year Four: Beech: 95.3%      Holly 91.5%

Year Five Willow 92%

Year Six Elm: 87.7%

## Dates for this half term

Please note that there will be more dates added over the coming weeks.

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October – South Molton Carnival**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October – PTFA Discos: KS1 3-4pm, KS2 4:15-5:15pm**

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October – [New Reception Parents \(September 2025 starters\) Open Day](#): 5-6pm**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Last Day of Half Term and PTFA Tuck Shop**

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November: Half Term Holiday**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – First Day of Autumn Half Term 2**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November - New Reception Parents (September 2025 starters) Open Day: 9:30-10:30am**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Choir Singing at Christian Aid Coffee Morning**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November - New Reception Parents (September 2025 starters) Open Day: 4-5pm**

**Week Beginning 11<sup>th</sup> November: Parent Consultations – Dates to be confirmed**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November - New Reception Parents (September 2025 starters) Open Day: 1:30-2:30pm**

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November: PTFA Bingo at the Coaching Inn: Evening**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December: PTFA Wreath Making (7-9pm)**

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December: PTFA Wreath Making (7-9pm)**

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December: PTFA Christmas Fayre (3pm-5pm)**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Carol Service in church (Choir) 5pm-5:30pm**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December: School Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day**

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December: Whole School Christmas Carol Service in church (9:30am)**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December: Last Day of Autumn Term**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025: First Day of Spring Term**