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NEWSLETTER Thursday 13th February 2025

Dear Parents,

I can hardly believe we are winging our way towards half term already! Spring is definitely around the corner, so let's hope the weather soon changes. Please read on for the latest news.

LANDSCOVE LEARNERS

CLASS 1 took us on a wonderful journey around our solar system as they shared their learning in their space-themed class assembly. They shared the creation story; sang about 5 little men in a flying saucer and shared some amazing planet facts. It was out of this world! I was particularly impressed by the parents during the planet quiz ~ you held onto yourselves beautifully! (You all know what I mean!)



CLASS 2

Class two have been super busy

over the last fortnight. They all had a fantastic time at the Future Musicians Project on Monday, making the most of a musical workshop before having the opportunity to perform alongside lots of talented musicians. The class have also been enjoying their science lessons and finding out about how the human body works. They drew around each other and added as many labels as they could, including some of the organs inside their bodies.



CLASS 3

Class Three has enjoyed learning Spanish this half term. They have learned new vocabulary for colours and pets. Bien hecho Clase Tres.



CLASS 4

Class Four's Dartmoor Landscape Project has really inspired the children's creativity. Watercolour paintings have been finished with tonal changes used effectively to create form and depth. We have planned our collages, focusing closely on the varied range of colours and textures – the work has started this week – we cannot wait to see the beautiful end products! I know Mrs Neville intends to share these with 'Jam – contemporary art- in Ashburton.







ECO GROUP ~ What a difference pupil voice really can make! Our children's team have engaged with decision makers and secured a fabulous eco and sustainable set of results. Rather than replacing stock with our usual supplies, we have made some changes – thanks to Mrs Grant for researching and negotiating on the children's behalf! Firstly, every child in school is about to get their own glue stick, which is refillable, saving on single use plastic as well as on money. Our whiteboard pens (of which we get through hundreds) are being switched out for whiteboard pencils which are water soluble and biodegradable to go with bamboo fibre cleaning cloths for the whiteboards. RESULT! Alongside these, four members of the Eco team also met with myself, Mr A and a representative from a national campaign group Let's Go Zero as the beginning of our aim to be zero carbon by 2030. This has enabled us to access funding and have all lights changed in school to LED. The change over is due to happen this coming half term. Well done team ECO!



SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

Attendance:	
(Our school target is 96.8%)	
Whole school	96.7%
Class 1	94.5%
Class 2	97.6%
Class 3	98.5%
Class 4	94.9%
Well done Class 3!	

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Safer Internet Day 2025 | Internet Matters

This year, the theme for Safer Internet Day was 'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online.'

https://www.internetmatters.org/digital-family-toolkit/ this link will take you to personalised online safety advice, giving you everything you need to keep your child safe.



CLUBS AND LUNCHES

Mr Tanner will be running a KS2 multi-sports club on Mondays after school, Patty will be returning with Spanish Club on Tuesdays and Saints Southwest will continue to offer football on the field every Thursday. A plea from Mrs Grant: Please remember to order your child's school lunch 48 hours in advance and ready for the first day back following half term – thank you!



FOLS - a message from Michelle

Wow what a fantastic turnout we had for the silent disco and movie night (nearly the whole school!!) It was so lovely to see all the children having the best time with their friends. As an amazing added bonus, we raised just over £500 for FOLS.

A big thank you for all your continued support, we hope you have a lovely half-term break. Many thanks, Michelle

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

14.2.25	Break up for half term
5.3.25	Devon Science – whole school workshops linked to science week – Thank you to FOLS for supporting this event for us
5&6.3.25	Parents Evening ~ this will be set up on eschools, more details to follow from Mrs Grant
12.3.25	Class 4 assembly 3pm School Hall – Class 4 parents invited to join
14.3.25	C1 Buckfast Abbey trip – The donkey's tale
19.3.25	Class 2 assembly 3pm School Hall – Class 2 parents invited to join
19.3.25	Class 4 Trip to the Moors
26.3.25	Class 3 assembly 3pm School Hall – Class 3 parents invited to join
28.3.25	Class 3 Handball Event
28.3.25	Mothering Friday 9:15 St Matthew's
4.4.25	Break up for Easter

That's all for now. Have a great weekend.

