

NEWSLETTER

1ST DECEMBER 2023

WEEK 5



Happy Friday all!

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! There is so much happening in school at the moment that you will notice the newsletter has lots more content. We have included more photos of children's learning, some useful reminders of up and coming dates and events, the usual calendar of events until the end of term, achievements, attendance, reminders, notices, advice on how to get involved and pleas for resources. Read carefully to ensure you are fully up to date.

On a separate note, it has been lovely meeting some more of our families recently. I had the pleasure of introducing both Year 1 show outcomes this week and met lots of supportive family faces then. I look forward to meeting many more of you soon at future outcomes and the Winter Fayre.

Have a great weekend all.

Mr Wallis

SHOW OUTCOMES!

Butterflies and Bumblebees performed their outcomes this week and what stars they were! I got the chance to watch both and they were so bright, expressive and clear. It's hard to believe they have only just left Reception. Well done all, including to the team for all their work behind the scenes and to family at home for their ongoing support.



'I thought it was lovely, especially the songs.' - Parent feedback

'Great show! All the children got involved.' - Parent feedback.



YEAR 3/4 LEARNING

Year 3 and 4 have been up
to loads recently - take a
look!



Puzzles and practical
activities on 'No Pens Day'!



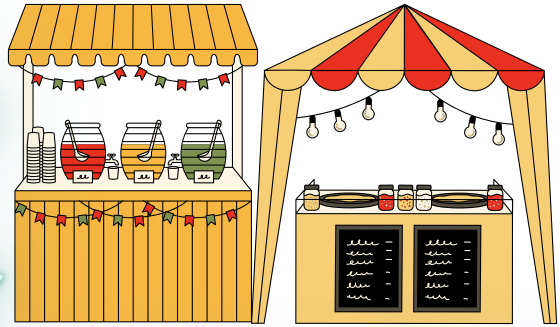
Roman trip to Exeter Museum!
Artefacts, outfits and
information galore.





Christmas Events

Winter Fayre
5th December



CHRISTMAS LUNCH
13TH DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY
13TH
DECEMBER



Online Pantomime!

On the last day of term for all the
children to watch.

Funded by the PTA - Thank You!

RECEPTION LEARNING

What have the Ladybirds
and Grasshoppers been up
to this week?
Hint: Nativity!!!!



MARATHON ACHIEVEMENT

A massive congratulations to Josiah from Seahorses,
who through their determination, resilience and
hard-work has managed to complete the distance in
the junior park run equivalent to a full marathon!
How amazing is that! Well done Josiah!





Rudolph Run



Monday 4th December

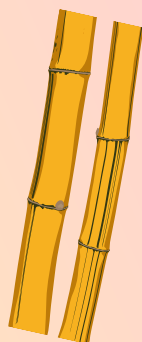
On Monday, the children will be taking part in their Rudolph Run to raise money for Rowcroft Hospice. Thank you to those of you who have already sponsored and have helped the children drum up plenty of support. There is still time to help out and sponsor ahead of the event on Monday. The children will run at various times of the day and various distances depending on their ages. Even our littlest are joining in. Photos to follow!

Wild for Learning!



Our fantastic Mrs Brown, in Year 1, and amazing volunteer Mrs Foley are working hard in our Wild for Learning area and have done an amazing job working alongside the children to enhance the space whilst also promoting children's love of the outdoors. They have asked if anyone has any nearly new wellies for children they would be happy to donate to please leave them at the main school office. They are also looking for any of the following items should anyone have anything they are happy to donate:

- seeds
- potting trays
- bamboo canes
- garden string
- gardening tools



Lanterns, Lights and 'Luminations



Stagestuck were amazing! Thank you to all who turned out to support us and to the staff for all their work before and during the event.





PROSPECTIVE FOUNDATION TOURS

We would love to meet those considering joining us in Reception next year. If you know of anyone in the area with children of school age in September, please direct them to our Facebook page and encourage them to contact us for a visit. We would love to see them and hopefully welcome them to the Eden Park family.



A welcoming school community which provides the opportunity for every child to thrive within a school with a strong, **GOOD** Ofsted.

DON'T MISS OUT!

School spaces for your child
available for September 2024

Nursery spaces
available now!

CALL **01803 854011** EMAIL **ADMIN@EPPSA.ORG.UK**



ABSENCE

If your child is absent, please ring the school office before 8.30am to let us know.

CLUB COLLECTION

Pick up from clubs is only through the main pedestrian gate by the car gate. All other gates are closed after school.

CAR PARK



A polite reminder that the car park is not for general use during drop-off and collection. It is only to be used by those who have had a conversation with a member of SLT and obtained permission. In the future we will be handing out badges to those who have permission from the school. We like to limit the car park to improve the safety of all at these busy times.

ATTENDANCE



Thank you to all for the increased focus on attendance, it has been noticed. Attendance is up on this time last year still and that is due to the work of all families and carers. See below for the most recent attendance figures. If you are having problems with getting your child to school, please make an appointment to meet with your child's class teacher in the first instance. We are aiming for all children to be at or above the national government expectation of 96%. Thank you for your continued support.

See below for attendance figures per class since the start of the academic year. I will put a weekly figure on each newsletter from now on as attendance remains a top priority.

Class	Percentage Attendance
Ladybirds	91.6%
Grasshoppers	94.6%
Bumblebees	94.2%
Butterflies	94.1%
Caterpillars	95.3%
Dragonflies	94.2%
Pufferfish	94%
Seahorses	96.8%
Dolphins	92%
Starfish	91.9%
Sharks	94.8%
Stingrays	94.9%
Swordfish	89.2%
Lobsters	93.7%

KEY DATES



Monday 4th December 2023	Rudolph Run
Monday 4th December 2023 at 14:45	Year 4 - Romans outcome
Tuesday 5th December	Winter Fayre (after school)
Monday 11th December 2023 at 14:00	Frogs Christmas outcome
Tuesday 12th December 2023	Church Service
Tuesday 12th December 2023 at 14:00	Tadpoles Christmas outcome
Tuesday 12th December 2023 from 17:00-17:30	Year 5 Star-gazing Evening
Wednesday 13th December 2023	Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch
Friday 15th December 2023 at 14:15	Reception Nativity performance
Tuesday 19th December 2023	Last day of term
Wednesday 3rd January 2024	First day back

YES Brixham FoodBank & Community Fridge

YES Brixham runs an independent food bank. Food parcels are available to collect five days a week from 10.30-4.30pm

In addition to our food bank we have also launched a self serve community fridge and larder which is free to access and open to all throughout our opening hours.

Being an independant foodbank we rely on donations from the community. All items are very gratefully received however if you would like to know what we are most in need of then please contact us

at info@yesbrixham.org.uk
or 01803 851414



Monday Brixham Foodbank at 14 Brewery Lane from 2pm to 4pm

Wednesday Brixham Foodbank at 14 Brewery Lane from 2pm to 4pm and

Friday Brixham Foodbank at 14 Brewery lane from 2pm to 4pm

Contact phone number – 07873 164211

GET INVOLVED!

There are many ways you can be involved with the school if you'd like to be more hands on!.

School are always on the lookout for anyone who might be interested in becoming a governor now or in the future.

or



Do you want to be a part of the fundraising efforts of the PTA who aim to help improve the experiences of all children? This could include becoming a member and helping organise and run events that enhance the already great offer for the pupils here at Eden Park Primary and Nursery School.



FACEBOOK
@edenparkprimary



INSTAGRAM
@edenpark_primary

If you are interested in either, please leave your name at the main office and we will be in touch.

ARBOR PARENT PORTAL



Familyhub
TORBAY

This is our main method of communication going forward. Please ensure details are correct and you are able to log in.

Please ensure you have reviewed your permissions - without these your children will not be able to be used in photographs such as our celebrations or those taken on trips - it would be a shame for them to miss out.

Yes! Brixham
Collect from our office
The Edge, Bolton Street Brixham
Donations needed!

Brixham
School uniform bank

Free to collect

Monday 10 - 4.30
Tuesday 10-4.30
Wednesday 12-4.30
Thursday 10-4.30
Friday 10 - 4.30

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For any advice or support please visit:

Family Hub (torbayfamilyhub.org.uk)

There are a range of services and support avenues to explore all for free! See the website for more information. This is across the Torbay area, with many services offering local hubs right here in Brixham.

Holiday Activity and Food Programme

Find out about how we make sure children have access to food and activities over the school holidays.



<https://www.torbay.gov.uk/children-and-families/early-years/healthy-holidays/>

HAF is a national scheme being run by the council in the Bay to ensure that children have access to food and activities over the school holiday periods. They will be delivering at least four hours per day for four days per week, one week in the Easter holiday period, four weeks in the summer holiday period and one week in the Christmas holiday period.

The primary aims of the programme are to reduce social isolation and 'holiday hunger' for children aged 5 to 16 years who are in receipt of benefits based free school meals.