



NEWSLETTER



26TH JANUARY 2024

WEEK 4



To paraphrase the TV show 'Gladiators' - another week bites the dust!

It has been lovely to see what the children have been getting up to - Year 6 are in the middle of their 'Art in Architecture' work and the drawing skills are truly impressive. I have already warned them I will be coming by for lessons from the pupils themselves.

I managed to pop in and see some phonics earlier in the week. It was fabulous watching how successful our younger learners are with their letters and sounds. I may have been told off for my own mispronunciation by some of our Year 1 pupils! It was great to see how much knowledge they have and how they felt empowered to correct and help one another.

We got to end the week with our usual celebration assembly and the reasons our children are getting noticed for by the staff in their teams are so heart warming to hear. Well done to all our recipients this week and to those who have been rewarded as well for demonstrating the school values.

Have a great weekend all.

Best Wishes

Mr Wallis

FLOOD RESILIENCE WORKS

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Until further notice, from Monday 29th January, Gate 4 (off Drew Street) that leads down to the Infant Playground, will be closed and you will have to access the site via one of our alternative gates. Thank you for your understanding as the work around school is on-going.



ATTENDANCE DROP-IN

**MONDAY 29TH JANUARY
8:45 - 9:15 Key Stage 2 Hall**

**Join members of the Senior
Leadership Team and Pastoral
team for an informal chat for
anyone that would like help or
advice on attendance**



**We will be serving hot drinks and refreshments
and very much look forward to meeting you.**

DFE INFORMATION

We have been asked to pass on the following information from the Department for Education:

Information for all settings: Guidance on measles outbreaks

There have been recent localised outbreaks of measles centred around the West Midlands. There is a risk of further outbreaks in other areas unless urgent action is taken to increase Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccination take up in areas with low MMR vaccine rates.

Measles spreads very easily among those who are unvaccinated, especially in nurseries and schools. The best protection against measles for children and adults is to get both doses of the MMR vaccine. It is never too late to have these vaccinations.

The following UKHSA guidance is available on GOV.UK:

Health protection in children and young people settings, including education - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Managing outbreaks and incidents - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk).

The NHS also has the following advice for parents on measles:

Measles - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

DfE has published an Education Hub blog with guidance on measles and the MMR vaccine for parents, nurseries and schools.

FOUNDATION - PEDAL TO THE METAL/ HOSPITAL VISIT

The Reception children enjoyed their first bikeability lesson recently. Last term, Mrs McCrum was fortunate enough to win a £2500 bid, which resulted in training for Miss Drysdale and Mrs Honey, plus 6 new bikes and helmets. The children's first lesson consisted of safety skills, riding in a straight line and manoeuvring around cones. We are super impressed with the children's skills and are looking forward to our upcoming lessons! Also the children went to visit the hospital recently and they got to meet the staff and learn about what they do!





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IN THE COMMUNITY

Spring And Summer Fun 2024

For all the family

Friday 12th January 3.45 - 6.00 pm

Friday 9th February 3.45 – 6.00 pm

Friday 8th March 3.45 – 6.00 pm

Sunday 10th March is Mothering Sunday

Friday 29th March is Good Friday 10.00 am - 1.00 pm

Sunday 31st March is Easter Day

Friday 12th April 3.45 – 6.00 pm

Friday 10th May 3.45 – 6.00 pm

Friday 14th June 3.45 – 6.00 pm

Friday 12th July 3.45 – 6.00 pm

Everyone is welcome

Familyhub
TORBAY



Have you got a child with additional needs?

Do you want to share your knowledge with other families whose children have an additional needs?

Join the Family Hub volunteering team and become a Peer Champion supporting parents in and around your local community!

Please contact Anna Messer – Practice Team Lead for SEND on 07872502957 for more information and tap the link in the caption to apply!

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Today the Environmental Health Officer from Torbay Council came to visit the Kitchen Team and complete their bi-annual unannounced Food Hygiene checks.

Congratulations to the team who managed to secure yet another 5 rating, which is the highest possible. It's great to know our children are receiving the highest possible care.

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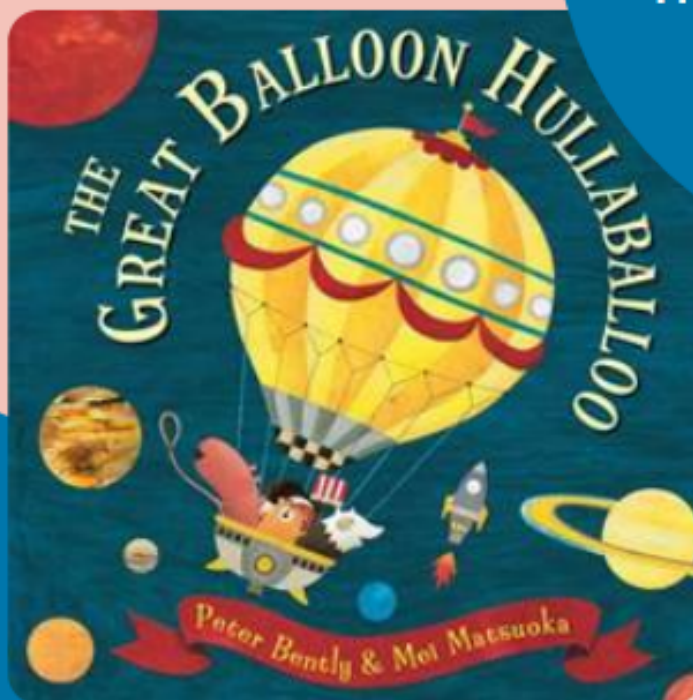
HALF TERM ACTIVITY

MONDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2.30 - 3.30

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IN-YEAR ADMISSIONS

Deadlines for submissions have now passed. We look forward to welcoming our new cohort next year. Should you know of anyone with children in the area who would like to transfer in-year, please put them in contact with the school office who will be more than happy to help.

We are always looking to welcome more into the Eden Park Primary and Nursery family.

ATTENDANCE



As you know attendance remains a top priority for us all. Below you will find this week's attendance figures.

Class	Percentage Attendance
Ladybirds	88.64%
Grasshoppers	93.64%
Bumblebees	94.8%
Butterflies	92.31%
Caterpillars	96.67%
Dragonflies	89.57%
Pufferfish	97.86%
Seahorses	95.86%
Dolphins	92.38%
Starfish	90.43%
Sharks	97.59%
Stingrays	95%
Swordfish	91.67%
Lobsters	91.79%



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

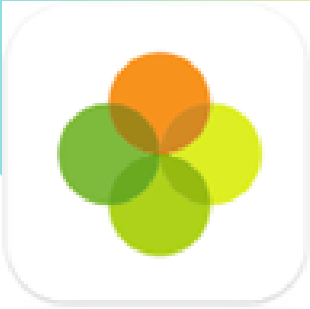
KEY DATES



Wednesday 31st January 2024 9:30-10:15	Year 4 Outcome: Music
Thursday 1st February 2024 14:40-15:05	Year 2 Geography Outcome
Tuesday 6th February 2024 14:00-14:45	Frogs Outcome
Tuesday 6th February 2024	PTA School Disco
Wednesday 7th February 2024 14:00-14:45	Tadpoles Outcome
Wednesday 7th February 2024 14:30-15:15	Year 6 Outcome: Art in Architecture
Tuesday 26th March 2024 14:15-15:30	Reception Outcome



ARBOR PARENT PORTAL



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.



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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.

SWIFT Initial Teacher Training (SWIFT ITT)

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED A CAREER IN TEACHING?

Watch our short animation to learn more about the rewards of training to become a teacher. Train locally with the South West Institute for Teaching (SWIFT) and gain experience through placements and training across your area. For further details on SWIFT Initial Teacher Training, visit our website

<https://www.swiftteachertraining.org.uk/>