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## NEWS

**Medicines**-a reminder that if your child needs to have an inhaler, etc during school time, then these need to be brought into school by the parent and handed to a member of staff. If you have not completed a medicine form to give consent to administer this, please collect one from the school office. When keeping medicines at school we must have the part of the medicine that has the prescription label attached to it.

**School Uniform**-It's lovely to see the children looking so smart; thank you parents for supporting the school's uniform policy. Please could we request that all long hair be tied back to help to avoid unwanted visitors. Extreme hairstyles, shaved lines into the head or colours are not permitted. Small hairbands can be used however elaborate bows and unicorn-style hairbands cause a distraction in school. Nail varnish and make up is not permitted. Watches are permitted but no other jewellery should be worn. School shoes should be flat, sensible, safe black shoes. If children need to wear trainers they must be black and not have any colour or white on them.

**PE**-Children need to have a PE kit in school every day including a change of footwear. Children in Reception and Year 1 will initially just change their footwear for PE. Children who have their ears pierced should wear small studs or sleepers and, for safety, these must be removed or covered for PE. Where possible it is better for children on PE days not to wear their ear rings to school especially if they can't remove them for themselves. In this instance they can be taped. If you are not sure which days your child has PE speak to your child's teacher.

**Drinks and Snacks**-Can we remind children that water bottles should contain water only and that snacks from home should be healthy – either a raw vegetable or piece of fruit. All children in KS1 will continue to be provided with a free piece of fruit every day. We are very keen to instil a healthy attitude to food and so all other types of snacks will be discouraged. We are a nut free school as a number of children have a severe allergy to nuts.

**Trips and Visits**- There will be a number of trips and visits during the year and wherever possible we try to give you as much notice as possible. If your child is away or we have to cancel due to circumstances beyond our control we will not provide a refund.

## Learner of the week



FSDB Whole Class  
FSG Whole Class  
1BA Esmae  
1P Robyn  
2D Amelia-Rose  
2P Heidi  
3H Alissa  
3S Summer  
4C Basti  
4E Beau  
5F Jaxon  
5S Cameron  
6P Emma  
6W Feo

## Lunchtime Behaviour



FSDB William  
FSG Poppy  
1BA Murray  
1P Joshua  
2D Lily  
2P William  
3H Maisie  
3S Ellie-Mai  
4C Lily-Rose  
4E Ruby  
5F Maddie  
5S Cameron  
6P Ashton  
6W Sofia

## Best Attendance

4C, 6P & 6W – 100%





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## Diary Dates



Theatre Alibi-  
Tuesday 18  
September

## Term Dates



Autumn Half Term  
Monday 22 October-  
Friday 26 October

Last Day of Autumn Term  
Wednesday 19 December

First Day of Spring Term  
Monday 7 January 2019

Spring Half Term  
Monday 18 February-  
Friday 22 February

Last Day of Spring Term  
Friday 5 April

First Day of Summer Term  
Tuesday 23 April

## Super Learners

The children below have all reached the very top of our learning behaviours and expectations system this week.

6H- Brooke for listening well and good quality work.

6H- Ashton for overcoming difficulties and working hard to self regulate when things were tricky.

4C-Tyla for listening extremely well and putting in extra effort to create a thoughtful and humorous poem.

## Message from Miss Higginson

Welcome back to everyone. I hope that you had a super summer break with such good weather.

The children have already begun to settle into the everyday routines. I know that, with your help and encouragement, the children will be able to maintain this positive attitude to learning and have a really successful year. I would like to extend a warm welcome to the families and children who are new to our school this academic year. As always, if during the course of the year you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact school.

We would like to welcome Mr Watson to Year 6 and Mrs Parker and Mrs Isaac who have joined the lunchtime team. Mr Hudson, Miss Ford and Mrs Ford are all currently recovering from operations and we wish them all a speedy recovery.

Thank you to 2 former pupils who called the fire service on Saturday having spotted a small fire in our pond area. If you have any information regarding this fire please contact the police on 101. As you are aware the school grounds are private property and should not be used out of school hours without permission or as a cut through from the park.

This week you will be receiving further information about the learning the children will be taking part in this term. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Secondary School Applications-The application window for Year 7 secondary school admission in 2019 is now open. Parents of Year 6 pupils should receive a letter from the Local Authority giving details about applications for secondary schools. It is important that all Year 6 parents make their applications either on-line or send a paper copy to the Admissions Team at Devon County Council by 31st October 2018. It is important that the application is made on time so that parents can secure a place for their child at the secondary school of their choice. If you have any difficulties accessing this online, please ask school for assistance and we will happily support your application. All the information you need, including a Step by Step guide is available on Devon's secondary school admission website via this link:

<https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/apply-for-a-schoolplace/apply-for-a-secondary-school-place>

