



Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Primary School



# Weekly Newsletter

## 20th March 2023

**We are committed to safeguarding children.**

Designated Child Protection Officer: Amelia Harding  
Deputy Child Protection Officers: Kate Davenport, Lauren Stone  
Named Governor for Child Protection: James Beamish

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# Year 4 trip to Buckland Abbey



On Tuesday last week, Year 4 had the wonderful opportunity to go to Buckland Abbey in Yelverton.

This house was owned, and lived in by Francis Drake - our topic focus this term. The Abbey is now run as a National Trust visiting centre, and houses some incredible artefacts like the 'lost mould' used for 2 of Francis Drake's bronze statues.

We enjoyed walking around and seeing all of the things related to Francis Drake. In particular, a class favourite was looking at the Tudor artefacts - from laundry tongs to bread, from smelling salts to shoes with no left and right - it was here that we learned where phrases used today such as 'upper crust' and '3 square meals a day' come from!

# Year 4 trip to Buckland Abbey

We also had the opportunity to try on some replica Tudor Clothing and learned about the Sumptuary Laws.

Other class favourites were the huge barn and the coat of arms in the house. We also got to enjoy a painted map with lots of hidden information about Drake!

We had a wonderful time on our trip and our visit leaders said that we are a credit to our school.



# Easter Holiday HAF programme

Children and young people who are eligible for benefit related Free School Meals in term time can access FREE Easter Holiday club provision between the 3rd and 14th April.

Information can be found on the Healthy Holidays page of the Torbay Council website

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

Additional information about childcare support and other information and advice relating to the cost of living can be found here:

<https://www.torbay.gov.uk/benefits/cost-of-living/>

# Our Gospel value this week



Jesus teaches us to show **compassion** to others particularly those who find life hard or who are looked down upon.

How can you show **compassion** today?

Can you try to imagine what it is like to be in someone else's shoes?

Can you listen carefully without judging someone?

Can you offer help?

Loving Father,

Help us to be children of the light, shining with love

And able to see clearly what is really important to you.

Please help me to find ways to show compassion to others.

We make our prayers through Christ your son..

**Amen**





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Should sea life be kept in tanks?

Would you rather be able to control the weather or have the ability to talk to animals?



**SPEAKING UP!**

Oracy Project





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# School Meals-price increase



**Chartwells**  
So much more than Fantastic food

The cost of a school meal is currently £2.34. Please note from the 17th April 2023 the cost will increase to £2.41.

School dinners **will not** be ordered by the school in class or by the office staff.

Parents must order and pay for school dinners in advance via ParentPay. Please note that parents whose children are entitled to Free school meals or universal infant free school meals must also order their children's lunches in advance.

School dinners must be ordered by midnight.



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# Holy Angels Pre-school



Holy Angels Pre-school would like to remind parents that they will close at 3pm on the last day of term, Friday 31st March. After School Club will NOT be available.





**CAFOD**

**THE BIG LENT WALK**

To raise money for the CAFOD Big Lent Walk, we are challenging the children to collectively walk/run 1500 km over the next 5 weeks leading up to Easter beginning on Monday 27th February.

Collectively the children have walked 722 KM already!  
Don't forget to remind your child to get sponsors.

Spare forms can be collected from the office.



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# EASTER PASSION PLAY

Members of the parish of The Church of the Assumption of our Lady in Abbey Road will be performing

**'No name in the street'**

on Thursday 30th March, Friday 31st March and Saturday 1st April at 7pm.

Tickets cost £5 per adults and £3 for children under 12.

A family ticket for 2 adults and 2 children can be purchased for £12.

Tickets may be purchased on the door

or please contact Julia Beacraft on 07751 670211 for more details.





# Awards last week

## Class R

Reggie

Freddie

Libby

## Class 1

Ayobami

Keshav

Chloe

## Class 2

Harper

Shivadah

Sonny



## Awards last week

### Class 3

Marla

Alfie

Ayla

### Class 4

Alex

Layla C

Donatella

### Class 5

Zenna

Thomas

Amelia

### Class 6

Raphael

Bobby

Aleks

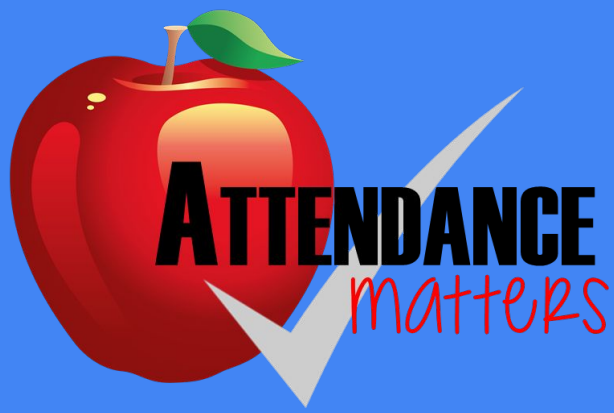


# House Points - Weekly



Bevan House	395
Stephenson House	341
Pankhurst House	447
Thompson House	643





Whole school attendance this week 93.1%

Current overall attendance 93.8%

This week's trend ↓0.6%



Our target this year



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# Summer term - After School Clubs Yr R-6

Monday - Boys football 3,4,5,6

Tuesday- Cricket 3,4,5,6

Wednesday - Netball 3,4,5,6

Thursday - Girls football 3,4,5,6

Friday - Multi Skills/Sports R,1,2,3

The clubs are free but please book online via your ParentPay account.





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# Attendance Reminders

If your child is sick please ring on the first day of absence by 9.00 a.m. and every other day thereafter. If you don't do this we will ring you as we are required to check on the welfare of our pupils. You must inform us of your child's symptoms.

Evidence of all medical appointments must be provided.







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## Library Opening

The library is open every day at hometime. Please feel free to pop in after school to choose books with your child.

The library is located just to the left of the Reception area. We have books for sharing for younger children and the children's Accelerated Reader books.



Remember that research tells us that the more children read for pleasure the higher their academic attainment will be. [More information here!](#)

The Torbay Community Helpline is a one-stop-shop for access to advice, information and referral to a whole range of support in the community and beyond.

Call or use the online form to ask for help or signposting about anything, including:

- Benefits, debt, and finance
- Housing issues
- Activities and groups in your area
- Mental and physical wellbeing
- Caring for someone
- Accessing training and skills
- Domestic abuse
- Volunteering

If you need to speak to someone face to face, you can also visit the Community Cafe and Help Hub at Temperance Street, Torquay (down the slope next to McDonalds in Union Street). They are open Tuesday to Friday, from 10am to 3pm.

# Torbay Community Helpline

## One call - that's all



Contact us:

Phone: 01803 446022

Online form: [bit.ly/torbayhelpline](http://bit.ly/torbayhelpline)

Monday-Friday: 10am-6pm

Saturday: 11:30am-12:30pm





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## Upcoming Events

March

Tuesday 28th	Class photos-Tempest photography
Friday 31st	Celebration assembly 9.00 a.m. -by invitation only Last day before Easter Holidays
3rd - 14th	Easter Holidays
Monday 17th	School re-opens

April



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