



# Weekly Newsletter 24 March 2025

We are committed to safeguarding children.

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A representative from the Torbay Food Alliance came to visit Reception Class and told us all about the amazing work the food banks do across Torbay helping people in need. We have been collecting donations for the food bank over the last few weeks and Kelly was able to take our donations away to distribute in the community.







**Reception class** also enjoyed a lovely 'Stay and Play' session this week! We hope all who came had fun!





Year 4 were invited to **Torquay Girl's Grammar** School to watch the dress rehearsal of their gymnastics display and dance performance. It was truly amazing and we all really enjoyed it!





Y6 are working on sculpture this half term, inspired by the work of British artist Antony Gormley. The children have had a session where they have experimented with sculpting, joining and engraving the clay! These are the results...







Y6 then went on to try and recreate smaller versions of some of Antony Gormley's more famous sculptures! They did a great job and enjoyed the lesson!





#### The children have made a fantastic start to our Big Lent Walk challenge and have already managed to exceed our 200 kilometre target, clocking up nearly 300 kilometres across the school. We are now raising the target to 500 kilometres and look forward to finding out how many more laps of the playground are completed this week.

# What we did last week!





### This week's Gospel Value...



Jesus offers us rest from our cares and worries.

This brings us peace but how can we also bring peace to others?

This week your mission is to:

• talk to someone about their worries

Dear Jesus,

Help me make every day a Holy day where God is welcomed into everything we say and do.

Help me to fill others with peace and provide them with the rest they need from their cares and worries.

Grant us this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



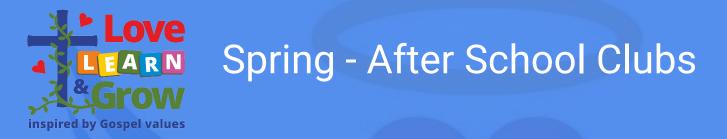


Holy Angels pre-school have advised that breakfast club will **NOT** be available on Thursday 27th March due to the Pre-school team attending an Early Years conference and Pre-school being closed.

After school club will be available but only to those children who are already booked on for that session and regularly attend. We will not be taking any ad hoc bookings for After school club on Thursday 27th March.

Last week of spring term - week beginning 31st March

All Breakfast club and After school club sessions for the last week of term, need to be booked by Friday 28th March. We will not be taking any ad hoc bookings after the 31st March.



Monday - Basketball 5,6 Monday - Dance 3,4,5,6 -full Tuesday - Art and Crafts R,1,2 -full Tuesday - Netball 3,4,5 Tuesday - Choir 3,4,5,6 -full Wednesday - Girls football 3,4,5,6-full Thursday - Tennis 4,5,6-full Friday - Dance 1,2 -full Friday- Boys football 3,4,5,6-full Friday - Journalism 5,6 - full

The clubs are free and are available to book online via your ParentPay account.







The main purpose of the PTA is to raise funds for extra items for the children such as football kit, ukuleles and gardening equipment.

Our PTA is completely reliant on volunteers to be able to run events. All parents / carers are automatically PTA members and are welcome at all meetings. New parents are encouraged to come along and bring their ideas.

We would love to see you!





#### Whole school attendance this week 91.7%

#### Current overall attendance 95.1%

This week's trend ↓0.1%



#### **Attendance Reminders**

If your child is sick please ring on the first day of absence <u>by 9.00 a.m.</u> 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.

#### Is my child too ill for school? (Government advice)

Evidence of all medical appointments must be provided.

If your child arrives after 9am (after registers close) this is recorded as an unauthorised session (unless evidence of a medical appointment has been provided).







Nye Bevan Champion of Wealth Equality



House Points Bevan House 680

Stephenson House 605 Pankhurst House 591 Thompson House 981



Paul Stephenson Champion of Racial Equality



Emmeline Pankhurst Champion of Gender Equality

Tanni Grey -Thompson Champion of Disability Equality



### Awards last week

<u>Class R</u> Nicola Yoan Harmony <u>Class 1</u> Ezra Isla Maisie H <u>Class 2</u> Dakota Emilya Phoenix



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<u>Class 3</u> Chloe Clayton Alarna <u>Class 4</u> Omotara Sonny Autumn <u>Class 5</u> Holly Adam Isaac <u>Class 6</u> Holly Elisha James





#### **School Meals**

The cost of a school meal is currently £2.81.

All meals must be ordered by midnight the day before 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.



### Nut free school!



Please be reminded that the school is a nut free zone.

Please check your child's packed lunch before sending it in. Children are not permitted to eat products containing nuts on the premises.

Nuts and peanuts can cause allergic reactions, which are sometimes severe, resulting in anaphylaxis. This can be life-threatening.

We insist on the school being a nut free zone to protect the children in our school who have this life threatening allergy.

Thank you for your understanding.



### Library Opening



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

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. <u>More information here!</u>



### **Upcoming Events**

Tuesday 25th March	Tempest class photos AM
Thursday 3rd April	Celebration assembly 9.00 a.m. by invitation only.
Friday 4th April	Way of the Cross assembly led by Y6
Monday 7th April to Monday 21st April	School closed-Easter holidays
Tuesday 22nd April	School re-opens



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