

Weekly Newsletter

16th October 2023

We are committed to safeguarding children.

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What we did last Week!



Carrying on with their learning about the environment which was inspired by the Pope's special letter, Laudato Si, the children in Y2 have staged a protest to persuade other children in the school to keep the school grounds litter free and to maintain animal habitats!

This week's Gospel Value

Kindness



This week's mission:

To live a life full of love we need to always show kindness to others. Jesus told us to "Love one another, just as I have loved you".

Can you share God's love by being helpful to others?

- Can you get yourself ready for school each day, as much as you can?
- Do you tidy up as soon as you are asked?
- Are you thoughtful to your neighbours?
Do you try not to be too noisy?

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for loving and guiding me.

Please help me to accept your invitation to God's Kingdom and say 'yes'.

Help me to be loving, helpful and kind to everyone I meet.

Amen

Reminders...

For safeguarding reasons we have to shut the playground gate promptly at 3.25 so that the after school clubs can come out and use the playground and field. We would be grateful if all parents could leave the school site before this time.

As Mrs Gale in the office goes home at 3.30 you will be effectively locked in if you are still on the playground after this time!

I ask that you do not ask Mr Brown to let you out of the school gate should he be on the playground. He runs the after school sports clubs on his own, and you would be asking him to leave children unsupervised in order to do this.

Thank you!

Mrs Harding



Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Primary School

OPEN DAYS

Will your child be joining us in September 2024?

Or are you thinking about our school for your child?

If so, we would love to meet you!

Choosing a school for your child is a big decision so as a smaller school we like to offer a personalised approach for parents.

Parents are invited to come for a personal tour of our lovely school and to meet the Headteacher to talk about your child and what our school can offer.

All you need to do is email admin@olota.uk or call 01803 613095 to make an appointment at a time that suits you!



Virtual SEND roadshow

If you missed your school's SEND roadshow when it visited recently, don't worry.

We're holding a virtual roadshow so you'll be able to find out how the local area works to meet your child or young person's Special Educational Needs or Disability (SEND). You'll also get the chance to ask us your questions.

Register your interest for the online event, which takes place on Monday 30 October from 6pm to 6:30pm: Join the guestlist – SEND virtual roadshow – Teams, Mon 30 Oct 2023 6:00 PM - 6:30 PM ([tickettailor.com](https://www.tickettailor.com))

Learn more about our new SEND Provision and Support toolkits:

<https://www.torbay.gov.uk/graduated-response/> which help to get the Right Support, in the Right Place at the Right Time.





Family Hubs



From this week you can register your baby's birth at one of three Family Hubs, as well as at Paignton Library and Information Centre.

Each week a member of the Registrars team will be in our Family Hubs.

- Torquay – Monday, Zig Zags, 32 Market Street Torquay, TQ1 3AQ
- Paignton – Tuesday, The Beehive, Bishops Place, Paignton, TQ3 3DZ
- Brixham – Wednesday, The Barn, Brixham Enterprise Estate, Rea Barn Road, Brixham, TQ5 9DF

If you haven't been to one of the Family Hubs before, they are great places to find out about activities, services and support available for new parents, as well as meeting other parents to help you on your parenting journey.

You'll need to book an appointment to attend. Visit;

<https://torbayfamilyhub.org.uk/>

Household Support Fund week 16-22 October

Next week is Household Support Fund Awareness Week, when residents on low incomes are encouraged to apply for financial support.

The fund can help with paying for food and energy bills and does not need to be repaid. You don't need to be on benefits to apply.

The council received £2.4m from the current round of the fund, which began in April and will run for 12 months. A new wave of funding began on 1 October so even if you received money between April and September, you can apply again.

<https://www.torbay.gov.uk/benefits/other-help/household-support/>

Secondary Applications

The application period for children born between 1.9.12 and 31.8.13, to make a secondary school application, is 1st September 23 until 31st October 23. The Portal is now open.

Applications received after 31st October 2023 will be at a disadvantage.

<https://www.torbay.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/admissions/secondary-applications/>



PARENTS CLUB

FRIDAYS 9:30AM - 11AM
PALACE AVENUE, PAIGNTON

*Free Support Group for neurodivergent parents,
those with sensory issues or with suspected
neurodivergence and parents of neurodivergent
children under 18.*

*Content to be decided by the group. Be as social or as
quiet as you like.*

contact: admin@therapyservicesouthwest.co.uk

What fictional place would you like to visit?

Does thinking positively help when times are difficult?



SPEAKING UP!

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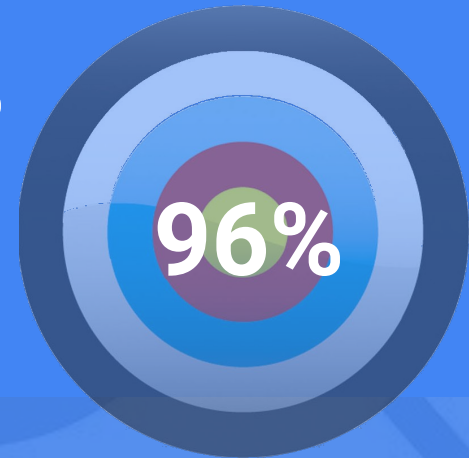




Whole school attendance this week 92.7%

Current overall attendance 93.4%

This week's trend $\uparrow 0.5\%$



House Points - Weekly



Bevan House

528

Stephenson House

447

Pankhurst House

628

Thompson House

377



Awards last week

Class R

Ezra

Elijah

Henry

Class 1

Emeliya

Fire

Luna-Rose

Class 2

Freya

Max

Tamara

Awards last week

Class 3

Jeremy
Shivadha
Alana

Class 4

Antoni
Olivia
Trisha

Class 5

Charlotte D
Toby
Franky

Class 6

Arthur
Ashton
Olivia

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.



School Meals

The cost of a school meal is currently £2.65.

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.

[More information here!](#)

Autumn - After School Clubs Yr R-6

Monday - Boys football 3,4,5,6

Tuesday- Dodgeball 4,5,6

Wednesday - Tag Rugby 4,5,6

Thursday - Girls football 3,4,5,6

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

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



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

Monday-Friday: 10am-6pm

Saturday: 11:30am-12:30pm



New Children's Choirs!



Experience and learn music in a fun, welcoming environment.
Gain confidence, learn to sing in tune, read music and perform
with your friends!

Starting Sept 2023: Tuesdays 3.45pm-4.45pm, 4-7 years
Tuesdays 5-6pm, 8-12 years

Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Primary School, Queensway,
Chelston, Torquay, TQ2 6DB
£7 per session

Contact Amelia Goodall for more information
ameliasgoodall@gmail.com

Also available at Riviera Music Space:

Individual violin and piano lessons. Email for more info.

[Link to Facebook Page](#)

If your child is in receipt of free school meals and would like a free space at the children's choir please let Mrs Harding know. Free places are limited and will be awarded on first come, first served basis.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 17th October	Parents evening 3.30 - 6.00 p.m.
Wednesday 18th October	Flu vaccinations
Thursday 19th October	Parents evening 3.30 - 6.00 p.m.
Friday 20th October	Celebration assembly 2.30 p.m. by invitation
Monday 23rd-Friday 27th October	Half term
Monday 30th October	Non Pupil Day
Tuesday 31st October	School re-opens



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