



Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Primary School



# Weekly Newsletter

# 12th December 2022

**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: Angie Baldwin



# Year 1 & 2 Angels Day

The children had a fantastic day at Buckfast Abbey. They looked for angels, heard stories about angels and even made some angels of their own!



Thank you to parents and the PTA for supporting the trip!

# Year 4 Anglo-Saxon Day

It was really interesting when we went to Tiverton Museum. We learned about the clothes that the Anglo Saxons wore and how they wore them.

We also learned to weave with two sticks and that their clothes were mostly made out of wool but their armour was made out of metal. They let us try on the Sutton Hoo helmet. *(But don't worry it was replica!)*

By Meelie

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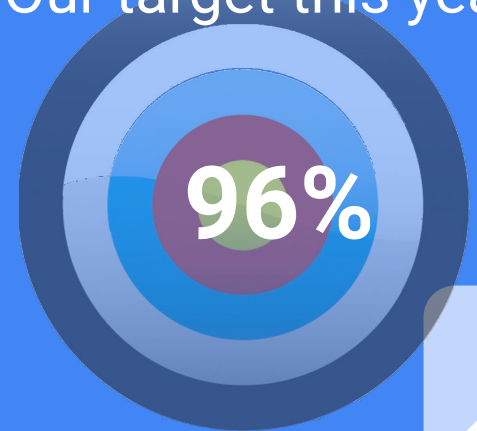


Whole school attendance this week 88.2 %

Current overall attendance 93.6%

This week's trend ↓ 3.6%

Our target this year





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## Strep A

It is incredibly sad to hear of the recent deaths of young children from Group A Streptococcus infections. It is a worry for all of us as parents but we should remind ourselves that it remains very rare for there to be complications and can usually be treated with antibiotics. The Department of Education states that all children are still required to attend school.

We are following the guidance to reduce the transmission of infection as follows:

- Children with raised temperatures should not attend school
- Children should exercise good hand and respiratory hygiene.

More information can be found by clicking this [link](#).



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# Primary Admissions

Children born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 will start primary school in September 2023.

Apply online from 1 November 2022 for September 2023 admissions. You must apply by 15 January 2023. If you apply after 15 January your application will be considered as late and may be at a disadvantage.

To apply visit <https://www.torbay.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/admissions/>



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# School Meals



**Chartwells**  
So much more than Fantastic food

The cost of a school meal is £2.34.

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

Parents must order and pay for lunches 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.

Lunches must be ordered by 8.15 on the day, but can be ordered in advance.



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## Holy Angels Pre School

A reminder from Holy Angels Pre-School, that as usual, there will not be any After School Club on the last day of term.

Holy Angels Pre-School will close at 3pm on Friday 16th December 2022.





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# Warm Spaces throughout Torbay

**TORBAY**  
**COUNCIL**

Torbay Council are supporting their community partners to run Warm Spaces throughout Torbay. These are places across the community which are warm, welcoming, and safe. They are free to use and will provide hot drinks for visitors. They may also provide food or activities, too, and will be able to signpost people to other support if they need it.

<https://www.torbay.gov.uk/benefits/cost-of-living/warm-spaces/find-a-warm-space/>



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## Supporting Torbay through the cost-of-living crisis

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Torbay Council understand that there is a rise in the cost of living. They want to make sure they support residents where they can. If you need advice, support or urgent help, there are organisations and schemes that could benefit you as we head into the colder months.

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

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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## 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!](#)



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## Spring term - After School Clubs Yr R-6

Monday - Boys football 3,4,5,6

Tuesday- Uni-hoc 4,5,6

Wednesday - Netball 3,4,5,6

Thursday - Girls football 3,4,5,6

Friday - Multi Skills/Sports R,1,2

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





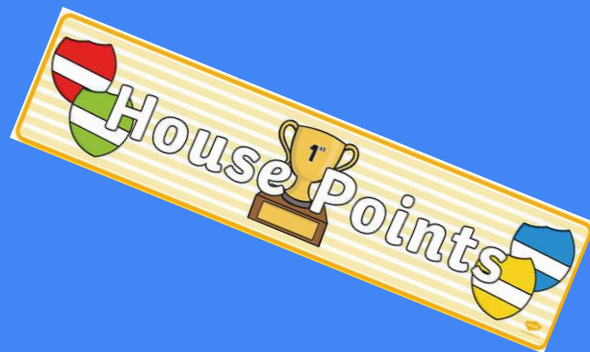
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## House Points - Weekly



Bevan House  
354  
Stephenson House  
264  
Pankhurst House  
233  
Thompson House  
232





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# Endeavour Awards



Class R Libby  
Class 1 Saanchi  
Class 2 Caroline  
Class 3 Julita

Class 4 Ollie  
Class 5 Ayomide  
Class 6 James R



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# Achievement Awards



Class R Zayn

Class 1 Niko

Class 2 Arlo

Class 3 Marla

Class 4 Evelyn

Class 5 Zenna

Class 6 Rudy





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# Respect Awards

Class R Riley  
Class 1 Annabelle  
Class 2 Lexy  
Class 3 Lucas

Class 4 Godwin  
Class 5 Arthur  
Class 6 Evie





# Attendance Reminders

If your child is sick please ring on the first day of absence by 9.15 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.

Children arriving after 8.50 a.m. will be recorded as Late, and after 9.15 a.m. will be recorded as late after registers have closed.





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## Upcoming Events

December

**Tuesday 13th**

EY/KS1 Nativity 2pm

**Thursday 15th**

Christmas dinner (wear a Christmas hat or accessory)

**Friday 16th**

Celebration assembly 9.00-by invitation  
Christmas parties in classes (school uniform-with  
Christmas accessory)  
Last day of term

January

**Tuesday 3rd**

School re-opens



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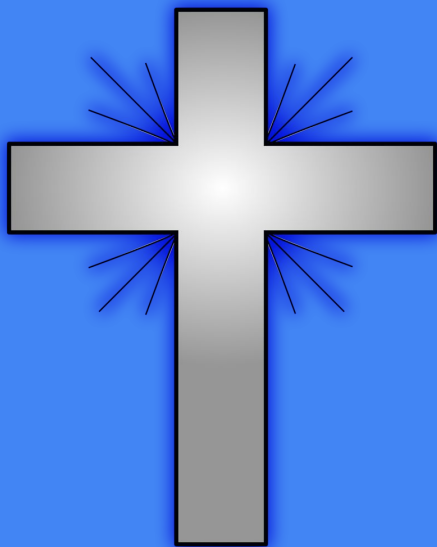
Father God,

As our lifelong pilgrimage continues, may our journey be filled with  
Prayer, penance, charity and solidarity.

With the help of your Holy Spirit, may our words and actions  
Make us your witnesses throughout the world.

We ask this through Jesus our Lord,

Amen





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