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Newsletter: Friday 21st November 2025

Key Dates:

25 November
Year 5/6 Parent Event

4 December 2pm
Reception Parent Event

4 December
Blyton Cake Sale

8 December 2pm
Year 1/2 Nativity

9 December 9.15am
Year 1/2 Nativity

11 December
WAPTA Christmas Discos
(More info to follow from WAPTA soon)

16 December 2pm-3pm
Year 3/4 Parent Event
(More info to follow next week)

17 December
Christmas Jumper & Dinner Day

19 December
Last Day of School

School Attendance for October 2025
93.2%

Best Class Attendance for October 2025
Blyton

98%

Message from Katie Chown

It has been a busy and inspiring couple of weeks at school! We are thrilled to share that we raised £366.10 for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Thank you for your generosity in helping us honour and remember who served. Our Remembrance Day Assembly was a truly poignant occasion, with a minute's silence beautifully marked by Piyo playing 'The Last Post' on her trumpet. Her skill and composure created a wonderful moment for us all.

We also had great fun supporting Children in Need, with pupils dressing in yellow, spots and bright colours to raise £283.67. The laughter was contagious as children guessed which adults were pictured as young children.

Finally, we welcomed the Devon Freewheelers Blood Bikes into school. The children learned about the vital role they play in our community and particularly enjoyed speaking over the radio to the control room to say hello and seeing the bike! It was an exciting and educational experience for everyone.

EYFS.
This week the children in Reception have been looking closely at numbers to 5. As part of our maths learning, we have been talking about the composition of numbers to 5 and identifying different ways to make up these numbers. The children have loved using their mathematical knowledge to engage in sorting activities and challenges! Well done Reception!

Years 1 & 2

This week in RE, the children explored the theme of belonging and how it is expressed in different religions. They worked with a range of pictures showing religious artefacts and symbols from Christianity, Judaism, and Islam, sorting them into groups. The children explained their choices confidently, giving thoughtful reasons for linking each item to a particular faith. They also had opportunities to look more closely at individual symbols, ask questions, and deepen their understanding of what the artefacts represent and why they hold significance within each religion.

Years 3 & 4
In Year 3 and 4 this week, we were delighted to welcome parents and carers to our special Roman-themed craft afternoon. As part of our history topic on the Romans, the children stepped back in time to explore Roman art and currency. During the session, pupils had the chance to create Roman coins using clay and traditional designs and to design and assemble a Roman-style mosaic, inspired by ancient patterns and symbols.
This hands-on afternoon was both fun and educational; giving children the opportunity to share their learning while getting creative. It was wonderful to see so many parents and carers join in and take part in the activities alongside the children.
Look out later in the newsletter for pictures of our Roman craft event in action.

Years 5 & 6 .
This week, Year 5 and 6 have enjoyed a visit to the Narnia Experience at St Thomas Baptist Church. All the children immersed themselves in the world of Narnia. Beginning the experience as evacuees in a train station, they went to meet C.S.Lewis in his study and learnt what inspired him to write his books. They then headed through the wardrobe doors to meet Mr Tumnus and explore ideas of choices and forgiveness.

We would like to say a very big "Thank You" to the staff at ICE Trust for inviting us and hosting the experience.

Please see page 3 for pictures of this event!

Year 3 & 4 Parent Event Making Roman Coins and Mosaics

Year 5 & 6 visit to The Narnia Experience at St Thomas Baptist Church

World Diabetes Day

Last week marked World Diabetes Day, an important reminder about the health and wellbeing of our children. Type 1 diabetes can develop quickly and, if not spotted early, can lead to serious illness.

To help raise awareness, we are sharing the Diabetes UK "4 Ts" poster in this newsletter. If you notice any of these symptoms in your child, please seek medical advice immediately and ask for a simple finger-prick test. Acting quickly can make a big difference.

THIS WEEK WE CELEBRATE:

STAR ACHIEVER

14.11.25

Donaldson- Logan
Hughes - Mirha
Murphy - Freddie
Briggs – Ethan
Ahlberg – Owen
Smith - Matilda
Dahl - Maddie
Blyton - Sophia
Morpurgo - Yevhenii
St John - Jacob G
Horowitz – Piyo

21.11.25

Donaldson- Vaibhav
Hughes - Abdulhameed
Murphy - Annabelle
Briggs – Declan
Ahlberg – Ezra
Smith - Amelie
Dahl - Albie
Blyton - Jada
Morpurgo - Paisley
St John - Sophie
Horowitz – Ben B

VALUES CHAMPION

14.11.25

Donaldson- Winnie
Hughes - Ada
Murphy - Essa
Briggs – Harry B
Ahlberg – Skye
Smith - Archie
Dahl - Mehran
Blyton - Benjamin
Morpurgo - Olivia M
St John - Olivia T
Horowitz – Lola

21.11.25

Donaldson- Selene
Hughes - Archie W
Murphy - Isla
Briggs – Pepper
Ahlberg – Rosie
Smith - Sam
Dahl - Jay
Blyton - Lucas
Morpurgo - Bartosz
St John - Darcie
Horowitz – Kieran G

Rosen Stars of the Week

14.11. 25
Oscar & Toby

21.11.25
Armaan