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### Newsletter 20-11-20

Attendance figures for week ending Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November are as follows:

Year R 98.7%	Year 1 98.4%	Year 2 98.3%	Year 3 98.8%
Year 4 100%	Year 5 100%	Year 6 100%	<b>99%</b>

Well done to Years 4, 5 and 6 for 100% attendance.

**Whole school attendance this academic year: 97.1%**

### SCHOOL CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER

Dear Jesus

Help us to be strong like St John the Baptist.

Let us show love, peace and kindness to all.

Encourage us to be the best that we can be and always show your love.

Amen

### TELEPHONE LINES UPDATE

Apologies for not having a telephone line this week due to the lightning strike last weekend. The external line to the building has now been fixed and we are just waiting for the internal system to be repaired. Please continue to email the office with any queries you may have and we thank you for your patience.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Lily in Class 2 whose picture depicting the month of March has been chosen by artists Paul Barclay and Tor Allen for the 2021 Calendar by Coast and Country Cottages. 12 schools took part in the competition and there were over 450 entries. Not only does Lily win a prize for herself, but she has also won £100 worth of book tokens for the school library. Well done Lily.



### GIVE A GIFT FOR BEACON HOUSE RESIDENTS

This year Christmas will be very different for us, especially for the residents of Beacon House who will not be allowed visitors. If you would like to donate a little gift for their residents then please drop it into reception. Thank you.

### TOYS

We are collecting good quality toys. We will isolate these for 72 hours and then pass them onto the Community Chest to help families who are struggling this Christmas. If you are having any clear-outs, please consider donating them.

## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Due to lockdown we are unable to drop off the shoeboxes at a collection point, which means we are still able to collect the boxes until the beginning of December. Thank you.

## **NOVEMBER FOREST SCHOOL SESSIONS (WEATHER PERMITTING)**

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup>      Years 4 and 5  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup>        Year 3 / Year 1

## **CLASS 2 MANDALA STONES**



## **BAG2SCHOOL**

There will be another Bag2School collection on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December. The Friends are organising one collection per term. Please leave your bags under the shelter on the morning of the collection.

## **DARTMOUTH LIBRARY – CHOOSE AND COLLECT SERVICE**

Dartmouth Library offers Choose and Collect Monday to Friday morning 9.30-12.30. Reserve your books online or contact them on 01803 832502 or email them at [dartmouth.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk](mailto:dartmouth.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk). All reservations are free until 31/03/2021

## **COVID 19 TESTING**

We are aware that there have been some significant problems with access to COVID-19 testing. You will have seen on the news that this is not unique to Devon but none the less is of significant concern. DCC and PHE have escalated this regionally and nationally but it is unlikely we will see a rapid improvement.

Individuals should only get tested if they have symptoms of coronavirus which are:

- A high temperature (feeling hot to touch on your chest or back)
- A new continuous cough (coughing a lot, for more than an hour or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours or if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- A loss or change to their sense of smell or taste (noticing you cannot smell or taste anything or things smell or taste different to normal)

Parents or carers of children attending school or school staff with symptoms of coronavirus should book a test as normal via the government website or by calling 119.

If they are unable to book a local testing slot then individuals should complete the appropriate forms by following the links below:

Children under the age of 5:

[Urgent Referral Form - Under 5's](#)

School aged Children (5-18):

[School Aged Children](#)

NHS/Health/Care workers:

[NHS/Health/Care Professionals](#)

All other individuals:

[Urgent Referral Form - Adults](#)