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Attendance figures for week ending Friday 6th November are as follows:

Year R 100%	Year 1 100%	Year 2 94.9%	Year 3 97.8%
Year 4 100%	Year 5 88.9%	Year 6 100%	97.5%

Well done to Years R, 1, 4 and 6 for 100% attendance
Whole school attendance this academic year: 96.8%

SCHOOL CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER

Little poppy, little poppy given to me
Help me keep England safe and free
I'll wear a little poppy as red as can be
To show that I remember those who fought for me

CLASS 3 TEXTILES!



NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Following new Government advice all after school clubs have been cancelled until further notice. After school clubs at the Dartmouth Academy will still run as childcare provision. We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause.

COMMUNITY CHEST

We have a food bank area in the porch of the school. If any of our families are struggling please feel free to come and help yourself to food. Times are extremely hard for people and we wish to support our school community.

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.

COMPOSTING WORKSHOPS FOR ALL CLASSES

On Thursday 12th November, Class 3 will have a workshop during the afternoon on composting and habitats. We will arrange their PE session for the morning so they don't miss out. Please can children come in Forest School clothes on that day.

Class 1 and 2 enjoyed their composting workshops today. Class 2 have learnt about composting and growing plants and Class 1 enjoyed learning about composting and mini-beasts.



NOVEMBER FOREST SCHOOL SESSIONS (WEATHER PERMITTING)

Thurs 12 th	All Class 3
Fri 13 th	Year 3 / Year 1
Thurs 19 th	Year 6
Fri 20 th	Year 2 / Year 1
Thurs 26 th	Years 4 and 5
Fri 27 th	Year 3 / Year 1

FLU VACCINATIONS - FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

The flu vaccinations will take place next week on Friday 13th November, please ensure you have signed up for this important immunisation.

<https://schoolsimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2020/devon>

Even if you do not want your child to receive this vaccination, please complete the consent form stating "no" consent. You will also find answers to your FAQ's on this link.

BAG2SCHOOL

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

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](#)