

Head of School – Mr James Pritchard

Friday 10th January 2025

Dear Parents,

Welcome Back to the New Spring Term!

A warm welcome back to all our pupils and families at the start of the new spring term! It has been wonderful to see the school buzzing with positive spirit, calm energy and a purposeful focus on learning. The enthusiasm and readiness displayed by our children embody the very best of our 'Ways of Being'—Ready, Respectful, Safe, and Together. We look forward to a term filled with growth, achievements and shared successes.

Stars of the Week - Our Ways of Learning

Congratulations as ever to our marvelous children who have all shown what it means to be a learner by demonstrating their Creativity, Reflection, Empathy, Independence, Resilience and Curiosity. Your character shines brilliantly among so many stars, embodying our ways of being **Ready**, **Respectful**, **and Safe – Together**. Well done!



















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Celebrating Attendance!

We are thrilled to report excellent attendance during the first week of the new term—what a fantastic start! Attendance plays a vital role in supporting every child's success, and we are very proud to celebrate those who have achieved 98% or higher in the Autumn term. Certificates are awarded for 98% or greater, 100% attendance, and to the five pupils with the **most improved attendance**. Let's continue striving for success together!

Upholding Uniform Standards

A gentle reminder to all families about the importance of meeting our uniform standards, which help promote equity, pride and readiness for learning. Recently, we have noticed an increase in trainers and coloured trousers being worn instead of the correct uniform. We kindly ask for your support in ensuring all pupils adhere to the uniform expectations outlined in our policy, fostering inclusion, equity, a sense of belonging and school identity – our togetherness. We do hold stock of uniform and can always help when needed, please contact Emma Thomas at the Infant School.



Staffing

We are pleased to share that we have successfully appointed a new SENDCo who will be starting with us after Easter. In the meantime, we will continue to be supported by Sarah Dingle, the Aspire Hub SEND lead. We are also excited to welcome back Tilly Dumbleton who returns to the fold and will be working in Poppy and Wanson across the week.

Spring 1 PE days

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 4	Year 3	Рорру	Year 3	Рорру
Year 5		Year 6	Year 4	Year 5
			Year 6 -	Year 6 -
			Duckpool	Summerleaze





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Diary dates

Tuesday 14 th January	Year 6 trip to St Nectan's Glen – payment on ParentPay.	
WC Monday 27 th January	Year 5 swimming – payment on ParentPay	
Monday 3 rd February	Year 4 Plymouth Residential Parent Meeting	
Thursday 13 th February	End of Spring 1	
Friday 14 th February	Staff inset training day	
Thursday 13 th – Friday 14 th March	Year 4 Plymouth Residential	
Wednesday 21st – Friday 23rd May	Year 5 Carnyorth Residential – more information to follow	
Wednesday 2 nd – Friday 4 th July	Year 6 Bristol Residential	



Interested in taking further steps to tackle child online safety?

As your school is part of Aspire Academy Trust, you can sign up for a free 20mins online presentation, plus informal Q+A, here:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/parent-carer-online-safety-session-for-aspire-tickets-1076538899829?aff=ebdsoporaprofile

Wednesday 15th January at 7pm. An additional date will follow shortly.

Further guidance around online safety, including Aspire's Restrict-Understand-Limit-Explain initiative, can all be found

here: https://www.aspireacademytrust.org/1094/online-safety





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