

November 13th 2020 School Newsletter



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Dates

- ◆ 6/11/20 - Photos (postponed)
- ◆ 20/11/20 - Flu Vaccine
- ◆ 18/12/20 - Break the rules day
- ◆ 18/12/20 - Last day of term
- ◆ 5/1/2021 - Term starts



Attendance

Good attendance at school is important to ensure that the children do not develop gaps in their understanding or miss out on shared experiences with their friends. I am pleased to say that our average attendance is just over 95% which is higher than both the Devon and National average. At the moment it is a difficult balance to get right as we do not want children in school if they are poorly. On Monday letters will be coming home if your child's attendance has dropped below 90% - this does not include absences where people are following government guidance for COVID 19. The letters are sent to help with awareness and so that the school can support if it is needed. We would like all our children to be in school as much as possible as they are missed when they are away.

Children in Need Pick Up

Sorry for the late notice about the non-school uniform day to support the BBC Children in Need appeal. Well done to all those who went that step further and came in spotty, it was great to see. I am pleased to say that we raised £182 for Children in Need, which is fantastic!

I appreciate that some of the spaces are difficult at pick up time but please can I ask that social distancing is observed. Where this is not possible then a face mask must be worn. Also children that are waiting should be kept under close supervision and I am afraid they can not just freely play at this time. Thank you for your help with this.

Nasal Flu Vaccination

If you have not yet consented to the flu vaccination for your child please complete the link below today so that this does not get forgotten or missed.

The Immunisation Team urges you not to miss this opportunity as they are getting a lot of parents approaching the team after the date of the school sessions having missed the deadline to consent. Although there are Community Clinics, due to Covid, numbers that can be vaccinated at those clinics are restricted.

The link to complete the electronic consent is:

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

Devon Virtual Games

During lockdown Devon ran Virtual Games for the children to compete in. Over a number of weeks a series of sporting challenges were set for children across Devon to have a go at. It was lovely to be able to present Tommy with his bronze medal for coming third within his age group in these games. Well done Tommy!

PTA Christmas Cards

The PTA have organised a late order for Christmas Cards. A few weeks ago the children brought home a sample card that they had designed. If you missed the 1st deadline then there is another opportunity to get your Christmas cards. Please ensure your order is at school office no later than Friday 20th November so the PTA have time to send off the order to the printers.