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Message from the Head Teacher

We are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers to our consultation evenings next week. Please make sure you have received your appointment time.

Love in a Box

A final reminder to send your box into school by Monday 16th November as they will be collected from school on Wednesday 18th November. A big thank you to those families who have already sent in a box!

Dragon's Den

Tomorrow a group of pupils will represent the school in a Dragon's Den workshop with other local schools. We wish them luck!

School Website

We are continually improving our website. Overviews of curriculum planning and some policies are now available online with further updates soon.

Armistice Day

Yesterday pupils in Key Stage 1 and 2 took part in a period of silence to commemorate Armistice Day. The children are to be congratulated for their thoughtful and respectful response.

School Calendar 2010

The calendar is currently at the printers but there is still time to place an order : £4.50 each. Please send in any monies to the Office in an envelope marked with your child's name and class. Cheques should be made payable to Tavistock Primary H.S.A.

Morrisons' Let's Grow Vouchers

We shall be sending these off at the end of next week, so please check your bags/purses/cars and send in any vouchers you may have. Thank you very much for your support of this scheme.

Children in Need : 20th November

GO DOTTY WEAR SOMETHING SPOTTY! This will be a mufti-day with a theme of wearing something SPOTTY! We are asking for voluntary donations of your choice on this occasion. Mrs Morgan, Kitchen Manager, will also be offering Pudsey Bear biscuits for dessert as part of the school meal on Friday 20th November.

16th to 20th November

We shall be having an **Enrichment Week**, incorporating **National Anti-Bullying Week**. There will be special assemblies and on Thursday 19th November, talks on the environment by a member of the Young People's Trust for the Environment.

The Data Protection Act 1998 and Images

You will recall that a letter was sent home at the beginning of term requesting your permission, or not, for photographs to be taken of your child. These images may be used in a variety of ways. If you have not returned the form with your choices your child will not be involved in any photograph opportunities. However, should your personal circumstances change at any time you may wish to revise your choices, please let us know. Spare copies of the letter are available at the Office if required.

Admissions to Primary School Sept 10 and Jan 11 Please see information overleaf.

Governing Body News

This half term the Curriculum and the Finance Personnel Committees have met to carry out their responsibilities including the review of the following policies: Teaching and Learning
PSHE and Citizenship
AntiBullying
Finance Scheme of Delegation
The Premises Committee will be meeting on Monday with a Full Governing Body the following week.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 13th November—Class 5 Assembly
Friday 20th November—Class 12 Assembly 9.15 am
Friday 20th November : Children in Need Day
Friday 27th November : M & M Productions KS2 : Beauty & the Beast
Wed 9th December 6.00 pm : Carols 'Round the Tree
Fri 11th December : KS1 Theatre Trip : Three Little Pigs
Thursday 17th December : FS Theatre Trip : Three Little Pigs
Friday 18th December : LAST DAY OF TERM 9.30 End of Term Assembly at The Roman Catholic Church
Monday 4th January : FIRST DAY OF SPRING TERM

Parent Carers Voice for families of children with special needs : next meeting to be held on **Wed 9th December 11.00—1.00 pm** at the Church House Inn, Churchstow, Kingsbridge. To book lunch ☎01803 863761/ Helen@parentcarersvoice.org .

ADMISSIONS TO PRIMARY SCHOOL : September 2010 and January 2010 : Parents and carers of children who have a child who will have their 5th birthday during the period 1st September 2009 and 31st August 2010, now need to register their child's name for school with the Local Authority (Devon County Council). If this applies to you **HAVE YOU REGISTERED? THE CLOSING DATE IS THE 23rd JANUARY 2009**. Places can be applied for either online at www.devon.gov.uk/admissiononline or using the application form in the **First Step Booklet**. Copies of the First Step are available from the School Office or the Customer Service Centre on 0845 155 1019. Completed application forms can be handed into the Office. Please note that you must complete either an online or paper application even if you have requested a place at Tavistock Primary School through our own school office. Mrs Coombe is willing to give advice or guidance should you need it, please pop into the office and see her. There is also a 'Choice Adviser' in Tavistock : *Caroline Down*, who can be contacted on 07791563927 to give you advice if required.