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Comments from the Head Teacher: Tomorrow all children are invited to wear 'onesies' or 'spotty muftie' for a donation to Children in Need and Junior Diabetes Research.

Remembrance

Our children were exceptionally respectful as they marked the national act of remembrance on Armistice Day.

Admissions

Please note that children born between 01/09/12 and 31/08/13 are entitled to full time education from Sept 2017. The online application process opened on **15/11/17**. There is more information available at www.devon.gov.uk/admissions

Writing Scrutiny

The Literacy Adviser from Devon Local Authority gave a positive report of the quality and quantity of writing across the school. There are some recommendations for further improvement and we have included these in our action plans.

Mark Wickett Soccer School

Mark Wickett will be running Soccer Schools for KS1 and KS2 children on the 19th, 20th and 21st December. Please check his website for more details: www.markwickettsoccerschool.co.uk

Flora and TESCO Vouchers

We will be collecting vouchers from these schemes again this year. All vouchers will be used to 'purchase' equipment and resources to benefit all of our pupils.

Tavistock Cooperative Learning Trust

Our school is part of a Co-operative Learning Trust. If you would like to find out more then the annual AGM is being held at the Innovation Centre at Tavistock College on Thursday 24th November at 5.30— all parents and carers are invited to attend.

HSA Quiz Night

Where: Tavy Club
When: **TONIGHT at 7pm**
How: Teams of 6 people @ £1 each
Please bring donations of prizes with you.
ALL welcome for this enjoyable event.

Communication Choices

We are always trying to improve our channels of communication. Please complete and return the attached form. Thank you.

School Dinners

Our 2 course lunches are very good value for Key Stage 2—£2 a day, £10 a week, £138 for this term.

Home School Association AGM

This annual meeting will take place next Friday 25th November at 9.00am in the clubhouse (old Nursery). This event is open to all parents and carers and you will be made very welcome.

National Sleep Foundation Advice

Children who regularly do not have enough sleep do not become sleepy in the day. In fact, it can display as:

- Hyperactivity
- Irritability
- Anxiety
- Daytime behaviour problems
- Mood swings

How much sleep is recommended?
3-5 years = 10-13 hours
6-13 years = 9-11 hours

Good sleeping habits

- All electronic devices stopped **at least an hour** before bedtime (the bright screen disrupts the production of the sleep hormone melatonin)
- No caffeinated or sugary drinks
- Regular times and routines (even at weekends)

Winter is coming!

As the mornings and evenings grow darker and colder, a few reminders:

- Unaccompanied children should not be on the Key Stage 2 playground before 8.40am
- Please bring a coat every day
- Try and wear something bright so that motorists can see you.

Dickensian Evening

Our school choir are again opening the evening with singing. This will take place in Bedford Square at 5.30pm on Friday 25th November.

Diary Dates

Family Assemblies in the Hall @9.10

Friday 18th November—Year 5
Thursday 8th December 2pm and
Friday 9th December 10am—Nativity by Nursery and Reception children

Curriculum Sharing

Year 5—Fri 18th Nov after assembly
Year 4—Tues 15th Dec 2.00-3.00pm
Year 3—Weekly reading sessions
Year 1— Thursday 1st December 9am
Year R- TBC
Year N- TBC

Events in November

Thursday 17th— Year 6 Equality Talk
Friday 18th— Children in Need day
Thursday 24th— Visiting Theatre Group
Friday 25th—Sporthall Athletics Comp
Friday 25th— HSA AGM Mtg 9.00am
Friday 25th— Dickensian Evening

Term Dates

End of Term—Friday 16th December
Spring Term—Tuesday 3rd January
Spring Half Term—13th to 17th Feb
Easter Holiday—3rd to 17th April
Half Term—29th May to 2nd June
Non Pupil day—Monday 5th June
End of Year—Friday 21st July

