

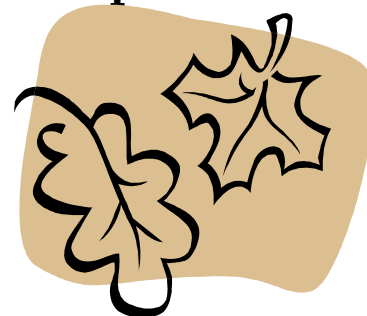
# Tavistock Community Primary & Nursery School



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## Message from the Head Teacher

Welcome to a new school year!

The children have made a fantastic start to our school year—they are superbly presented in their school uniforms—thank you.

### New Faces

Within the school there are new members of staff and we welcome them to our school. In addition to 45 new Reception children, 5 other children have transferred from other schools. Welcome to you all!

### School Librarians

Pupils in Years 4 and 5 are invited to apply to be school librarians. Information will be given to all children in these year groups and applications need to be made by Friday 15th September.

### School Dinners

Our very popular school dinners continue to be excellent value for money for Key Stage 2—£2 a day, £10 a week, £136 for the term. All children are welcome to help themselves to salad options in addition to any main meal choice.

### Water Bottles

Our school policy is for all water bottles to contain **WATER** and not juice or squash. This follows medical and dental advice for all children. All children are encouraged to drink water at school.

### Skills for Success 'Resilience'

C2 Tommy Piper  
C3 Leo Davies  
C4 Harvey McGrath  
C5 Caitlin McCollum  
C6 Zacary Armstrong  
C7 Archie Parsons  
C8 Merryn Birnie  
C9 Tom Goodwin  
C10 Miya Waters Baker  
C11 Phoebe Venning  
C12 Phoebe Bettinson  
C13 James Curtis-Fone  
C14 Bruce Allen  
C15 Chris Francis

### Building Work

Over the summer break we have undertaken a number of building improvements. The Key Stage 2 entrance gate has been replaced, the Foundation Stage garden has been resurfaced and the school hall has been painted and refurbished. These improvements will all enhance the learning environment for our children.

### Devon's Sugar Smart September

We are all trying to reduce the daily amount of sugar in our diet. Following parental requests and in order to support families to eat healthily, all parents are requested not to send sweets or sugary treats in to school for birthdays. We will, of course, continue to celebrate children's birthdays by singing and clapping on their special day.

### Joined Writing

*From the start of this term all children will be taught to use cursive script for all of their writing. Examples will be on the school website and children are encouraged to practise at home.*

### Good to be Green Awards

Foundation Stage - Millie Payne  
Key Stage 1 - Zacary Armstrong  
Lower Key Stage 2 - Leah Kite  
Upper Key Stage 2 - Cyril Jander

### Parking near canal

A Fitzford Cottage resident has highlighted potential weakness along the canal edge and car owners are parking at their own risk. Please remember that Meadowlands parking passes are available free of charge from the school office.

### Hot Reads!

Please look out for these new books in our library:  
FS 'Tiny dinosaurs' and 'Grumpy frog'  
KS1 - 'Sun' and 'Daisy doodles'  
KS2 - 'A Sheepdog called Sky', 'Bundle with the Britons' and 'Letters from the lighthouse'.

### Year 6 House Captains

This week pupils will be invited to apply to be a house captain for the year. Pupils will need to explain to an audience their skills and aptitude for the role and selections will be made next week.

### Meal Time Assistant

We have a vacancy for a new member of staff to join our excellent team. Further details from the School Office.

## Diary Dates

### Family Assemblies in the Hall @9.10

Friday 13th October—Year 3  
Friday 20th October—Year 2  
Friday 3rd November—Year 5  
Friday 10th November—Year 4  
Friday 17th November—Year 6  
Friday 24th November - Year 1  
Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th December  
Nativity by Nursery and Reception

### Events in September

Tues 12th Sept—Y5/6 Parents' meeting  
5pm in our school hall  
Tues 12th Sept—Governors' Meeting  
Tues 19th Sept - Governors' Meeting  
Wed 20th Sept—Junior Life Skills Y6  
Wed 21st Sept—Netball Tournament  
Fri 29th Sept—Bag 2 School collection

### Term Dates

Non Pupil day—Wednesday 11th Oct  
Half Term—23rd to 27th Oct  
End of Term—Friday 15th December

