

11th March 2022

Dear Parents,

We have had another busy week in Dunsford. On Tuesday, we had a visit from a member of Parliament, Tom Williams who talked to children in Cedar and Oak class about Parliament. Tom talked about the different rooms in the House of Parliament and what happens in them. He was very impressed by the curiosity of the children and by the number of questions they had for him!



Coffee morning with Mr Thorne

Mr Thorne writes:

A big thank you to everyone who came along to our first parent coffee morning on Wednesday in the Village Hall. It was great to have the opportunity to sit down with you and be able to answer some of your questions, hear about your experiences as parents and take on your ideas for support in the future. It was very useful for me to understand some of your concerns and I will do my best to alleviate and overcome these concerns going forward.

As I discussed at our meeting, the most important thing for children is High Quality Inclusive Class Teaching led by the Class Teacher. The SEND graduated approach is the way in which we support children and the way in which we begin to identify any additional needs. Support for children is broken down into universal support, targeted support and specialist support:

<https://devoncc.sharepoint.com/sites/PublicDocs/Education/Children/Forms/AllItems.aspx?id=%2Fsites%2FPublicDocs%2FEducation%2FChildren%2FSchools%20Support%2FServices%20and%20contacts%2FSEND%2FLevels%20of%20SEN%20Provision%2Epdf&parent=%2Fsites%2FPublicDocs%2FEducation%2FChildren%2FSchools%20Support%2FServices%20and%20contacts%2FSEND&p=true>

If you are unsure of anything the Devon Local Offer page has information and advice:

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/education-and-families/send-local-offer/>

The Devon Information and Advice Service will also provide support and advice:

<https://devonias.org.uk/>

I am looking forward to meeting you all again after half-term.



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FLOURISHING FUTURES



Red Nose Day – Friday 18th March

We are very excited to be able to support Red Nose Day again this year. The donations help to make a real difference to the lives of millions of people not only across the UK but around the world.

We are planning a fun and active day in school and invite the children to wear something red into school or wear a crazy hair style (or do both!). It will be a non-school uniform day – so if you don't have something red please do not worry. We suggest a donation of £2 per family, but feel free to donate as much or as little as you wish.

We would also like to hold a cake sale after school. If there are any budding bakers out there who would be happy to bake and donate some cakes for us to sell that would be great! Please pass your donations onto your Class Teacher in the morning and contact Mrs Sinton if you are able to help with setting up and selling the cakes. All your help will be much appreciated!

The school day will start with a Trust Comic Relief Virtual Assembly then each class will also be taking part in ½ hour activity – maybe yoga, dancing, running or something else! With every school in our Trust taking part, the pupils will be contributing to a 24-hour activity as a collective.

I hope you will be able to support this worthy cause, thank you!

Ukrainian Appeal

We are extremely concerned about the fast-deteriorating ongoing situation in Ukraine. As the conflict intensifies, civilians are increasingly at risk and so we have decided to raise funds for Red Cross in support of people fleeing the war. We will send you more information about the fundraising events taking place in Dunsford next week.

Finally, thank you for your ongoing support and I wish you all a lovely weekend!

Yours sincerely



Mrs Stephens

Executive Head of Newton and Teign Hub