

WE ARE A NUT, CHICKPEA AND SESAME FREE SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers,

Just a polite reminder to inform the office if your child is unable to attend due to illness. The attendance team are due to analyse school attendance figures and letters will be sent to any families whose children have 90% attendance or below. This is a supportive process where school and parents work together in order to ensure attendance levels do not have a detrimental impact upon their child's learning or social and emotional development.

If you do have any questions at all about attendance, please read the Attendance Policy which is on our website or get in touch.

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Mardling and team

New dates for your diary

Fri 28th Nov: CI 2&3 cinema trip

Fri 28th Nov: Christingle Service 2:30pm
at St John's the Baptist Church

Thurs 4th Dec: School choir at Affinity Devon

Wed 10th Dec: CI 2&3 afternoon performance

Thurs 11th Dec: CI 2&3 afternoon performance

Fri 12th Dec: Christmas Fayre and Carols

Mon 15th Dec: Santa Run- **new date**

Wed 17th Dec: Early Years Nativity

Thurs 18th Dec: Christmas Lunch

Thurs 18th Dec: Guitar assembly

Fri 19th Dec: Children break up

Mon 5th Jan: Children return to school

Please look on the website calendar to keep up with the dates for the whole academic year.

Little Butterflies update

The afternoon provision will continue this half term. If numbers pick up, this will carry on in the new year.

However, if numbers remain low, Little Butterflies will run a pickup service instead. Please could you contact Little Butterflies if you would like to secure a place for September.

Contact details are:

01271 321277

littlebutterfliesdaynursery@gmail.com

Attendance

Well done to this week's winners

Class 2 with a score of 98.30%.

Class 3: 96.90%

Class 4: 95.4%

Class 5: 94.50%

Class 1: 94.30%

LUNCH MENU

Week 2 menu

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Lasagne	Sausage rolls	Roasted sausages (DF)	Tomato pasta (DF)	Fish (DF)
Vegetarian	Veggie lasagne	Veggie sausage rolls (DF)	Veggie plait		Veggie burger
Sides	Crusty bread	Potato crunchies, baked beans	Potatoes, gravy carrots, peas	Garlic bread	Chips or pasta and peas
Jacket Potato	Beans (DF)	Cheese	Beans (DF)	Beans and cheese	Tuna mayo
Pudding	Carrot cake (DF), fruit or yoghurt	Ice cream(DF), fruit or yoghurt	Fruit salad or yoghurt	Banana toffee pancakes (DF), fruit or yoghurt	Custard biscuit, fruit or yoghurt

DF - Dairy Free

Dairy free yoghurts available every day

Christingle



Oranges needed!

Can we please have donations of large oranges please ideally by Wednesday. We will use these to make our Christingles ready for the Church service next Friday. Each child will need an orange.

Thank you



Eight children from Instow took part in a climbing competition at Rock and Rapid in South Molton on Saturday. They had to do 4 rope climbs and 4 boulders each getting progressively harder. They all supported each other so well and had a great team spirit. Well done all.

British Values

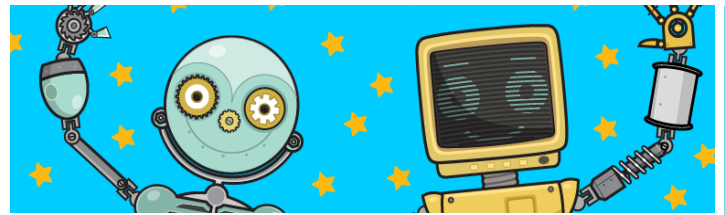
Celebrating Differences

This unit links very closely to Anti-Bullying week and supports children in how to be tolerant and respectful of others who are different to them.

If you would like to know what exactly your child is learning in this term's Jigsaw unit, please follow the link for the Knowledge Organiser. It gives an overview of what is being learnt in each year group.

[Knowledge Organiser](#)

Your Top Doodling Classes this week!



Here are the Top Doodling classes at Instow Community Primary School for the last seven days:

DoodleMaths: Lundy Year 5 (64% of pupils in the green zone)

DoodleTables: Hartland Class (12% of pupils in the green zone)

DoodleEnglish: Year 2 (19% of pupils in the green zone)

DoodleSpell: Trinity (27% of pupils in the green zone)

Congratulations to all of the pupils in the green zone – they should be really proud of themselves!

As you will know from the school newsletter, Mrs Turner our school SENDCO and Class 5 teacher is leaving the school at the end of term. If you feel you would like to contribute towards some leaving gifts, please hand any donations into the school office. Thank you.

Super Doodlers!

Evie A – 100 day streak in DoodleEnglish

Lilly O – 50 day streak in DoodleMaths

Emmett – 50 day streak in DoodleMaths

Ruairi – 50 day streak in DoodleMaths

Well done.

CELEBRATION CERTIFICATES

A huge well done to all the children who have been recognised this week for their outstanding attitude towards learning or for their citizenship skills.

We are all very proud of you.

Windmills: Callie and Naya

Eddystone (CI2): Finley S and Ru

Hartland (CI3): Louis and Ensley

Lundy (CI4): Lilly O and Leighton

Trinity (CI5): Jacob and Coco





INSTOW SCHOOL'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE & CAROLS

Friday 12th December 3pm

EYFS Unit - Cakes/Biscuits

bring in morning of 12th

Class 2 - Good cuddly toys

Class 3 - Chocolate

Class 4 - Sweets for sweet
cones or popcorn

Class 5 - Small prizes

**All - Jazzy Jars - a jar filled
with sweets/chocolate/little
toys/craft bits etc**

Donations and jazzy jars can now be brought into school

If any parents/grandparents/friends would like a stall then please email
classsupport@instowcps.co.uk or see Miss Graves.

Apply for a primary school place

Was your child born
between 1 September 2021
and 31 August 2022?



Apply online at:
devon.cc/admissionsonline

or scan the QR code. Applications open from
15 November 2025 to the **15 January 2026**

If you can't access the school admissions website you can get more information by emailing admissions@devon.gov.uk or call our Education Helpline on:

0345 155 1019



You must apply through the Admissions Team, even if you've already given details to a school. Applications made directly to schools or on their lists will not be accepted.

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MONTHLY MONDAYS!

ST PETER'S CHURCH HALL

3.30 - 4.30PM

8 SEPT AUTUMN 13 OCT
10 NOV 8 DEC

FREE
games, activities, drink and snack
for families

COME AND JOIN US!

CHILDREN TO BE ACCOMPANIED
BY AN ADULT



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STARTING 3RD NOV

BUMPS AND BABIES

ST PETER'S CHURCH HALL
FREMINGTON

MONDAYS DURING TERM TIME

11AM - 12 NOON

A GROUP FOR EXPECTANT
AND NEW PARENTS OF
0-6MONTH BABIES

£2 PER FAMILY

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