

Newsletter



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Message from the Headteacher

Good Afternoon,

The first week of December is always an exciting one for children as Advent calendars are opened for the first time and Christmas day is that little bit closer! In assembly this week we explored the concept of Advent through the phrase 'Good things come to those who wait'. I spoke to the children about how waiting can be a time of preparing and reflecting and that learning to wait is a very important skill that we all have to learn!

In art lessons this week, our classes have been creating beautiful Christmas decorations that can be bought at the PTA's Christmas fayre next Friday!

I look forward to seeing you all next week.

School Messages

Christmas Jumper Days

A reminder that children may wear their Christmas Jumpers on the following dates: 13th, 18th and 20th December. This year you can make your donation on the Arbour School Shop, Save the Children Christmas Jumper Appeal 2025. We recommend a donation of £2.00 per child for the four dates.

Swimming Class Taw

Today we have sent a letter to all parents/carers of children in Class Taw, providing information about swimming lessons which will commence on Tuesday 14th January.

Romar Sports Football Sessions

are to continue their football sessions for Years 2 to 6, in the New Year, commencing on Wednesday 15th January. Please use this link to enrol your child on the sessions.

<https://romar-sports.classforkids.io/info/1040>

Admissions to Reception Year for September 2025

The school admissions process for the 2025 primary admissions round has been updated to streamline communication and application procedures. An online Microsoft form is now available for parents and carers to express their interest in applying for a school place. Application window opens on 15th November 2024. Read more: <https://www.devon.gov.uk/eycs/school-admissions-process-update/>

Devon Family Hubs December Newsletter

In this month's issue...

- 🚩 **TOP TIPS** - this month's Top Tip topic looks at how to save money this Christmas.
- 🚩 **PARENTING PRE-TEENS** can be a challenging time. We share some information and guidance on how you can stay close as your children move into adolescence.
- 🚩 **IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR..** Or is it? Christmas can be a challenging time for some people. We share some tips and resources for making the festive period a little easier.

We've also got our usual features - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - information about upcoming events the Devon Digital Team are running, SEND, DECEMBER AWARENESS DAYS and much more.

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PTA News

Christmas Fayre



The PTA are organising a Christmas Fayre which guarantees to be a fun afternoon for you and your family to enjoy, and we can't wait to welcome you! This will be held on **Friday 13th December**

With everyone feeling the pinch, we will be running things a little different this year and will be offering '**stamp card passes**' to bundle buy a bunch of activities to help save the pennies!

This will entitle your child to: -

- 🎄 All games in our prize-winning game zone
- 🎄 Entry to the craft corner (and keep their creations!)
- 🎄 Glitter tattoos at the tattoo station

The cost of these cards will be £5 each and can be purchased in advance as of next week (see a PTA member in the playground) or on the day of the fayre. You can also 'Pay as you go'. Please note this is a CASH ONLY event.

Alongside this activity afternoon there will also be opportunities to win prizes on guessing games, and a draw for our very kindly donated hamper and raffle! Delicious home baked refreshments, along with a visit from a very special guest 🧑🏻🎅

Children must be accompanied by an adult during this event.

Your child will also be coming home with enveloped raffle tickets if you would like to buy your raffle tickets in advance (details on the slips).

We look forward to sharing the magic with you all!

The PTA 🎄

Ventrus Job Vacancies

<https://ventrus.current-vacancies.com/v?id=VENTRUSMUL&t=Ventrus-Careers>

Please remember: **Bratton Fleming School is a NO NUT Zone**

Dates for your diary

11 th December	Christingle in St Peter's Church 2.15pm
13 th December	Christmas Fayre
13 th , 18 th & 20 th December	Christmas Jumper Fundraiser
16 th & 17 th December	Taw Class Parents' Evening (3:30pm – 5:30pm)
18 th December	School Christmas Lunch
19 th December	Carol Service & Nativity in St Peter's Church 2.15pm
20 th December	Last day of term
6 th January	Non-Pupil Day
7 th January	Children return to school
17 th – 21 st February	Half Term
26 th to 28 th February	Residential Yr 3&4 to Calvert Trust
7 th – 21 st April	Easter holidays
22 nd April	Non-Pupil Day
5 th May	Bank Holiday
26 th May – 30 th May	Half Term
23 rd July	Last day of term