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Dear Parents and Carers,

#### Year Two Visit to Holy Trinity Church, Ilfracombe

The children enjoyed a trip to Holy Trinity Church as part of their R.E. topic on sacred places. The vicar showed them some of the main features of the church and discussed the importance of the building to Christians.







#### Nursery - Frogs

The children have enjoyed learning about the life cycle of frogs. They have been observing tadpoles grow and change in shape and learning the vocabulary "frog, tadpole, frog spawn, eggs, hatch, tail, shrink, legs, and grow".





We are very sorry that our School Inclusion Leader, Silvia Panella-Peral, will be leaving the school today. Silvia has been a dedicated and committed member of staff and we will all miss her very much. We are fortunate that she will continue to serve the school as a member of the governing body, we wish her the very best for the future. Silvia is keen to communicate with parents and carers, please see her letter below:

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to let you know that I will be leaving my post at Ilfracombe Infant & Nursery School at the end of this term due to external circumstances. This has been a very difficult decision, as being part of such a nurturing and inclusive school community has meant a great deal to me. I am incredibly grateful for the support I have received during my time here and feel privileged to have worked with such wonderful children, families, and staff.

I have felt truly inspired working alongside the Headteacher and the Leadership Team and such dedicated, compassionate staff who work tirelessly to help every child flourish and reach their full potential. I am also incredibly grateful to have met so many supportive and committed parents—it has been a privilege to work in partnership with you in supporting your children's learning and development.

Although I am stepping down from my current role, I am pleased to share that I will remain part of the school community through my ongoing role as a governor. I look forward to continuing to support the school in this capacity.

It has been a pleasure to be part of such a caring and inclusive school community. Thank you all for your kindness and support.

Warm regards, Silvia Panella-Peral

In the light of Silvia's resignation we have appointed Mrs Kate Cooke to join the senior leadership team. Mrs Cooke is a very experienced school leader and is excited to join our school community. Mrs Cooke will be Head of Teaching and Learning and Mrs Langmead will be Head of Inclusion and Behaviour which includes school SENDCO and Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Mrs Cooke, Mrs Langmead and myself are available throughout the week should you need to contact any of us. Please talk to your child's class teacher as your first point of call.

#### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Swans and Kingfishers, Year Two Trip to Plymouth Aquarium

The children in Swans and Kingfishers classes need to arrive at school at 8.00 am in the morning on the first day back after the half term for the trip to the National Marine Aquarium, Plymouth. The children will arrive back at school between 5.30 pm and 5.45 pm in the evening. A packed lunch, snacks and bottled water will be provided for each child.

#### Swimming from Thursday 5th June for Nursery

Please ensure that your child has their swimming costume or trunks together with a towel in a named bag on their swimming day.

Monday	Nursery
Thursday	Nursery

#### Lost Property

We have a large amount of lost property items including clothing, bags, lunch boxes, and bottles in the school foyer area. Parents and carers are welcome to come and have a look for missing items at any time when the school is open. Please visit the pre-loved clothing area in the foyer of the school at any time and help yourself. There is no charge for any of the items.

#### Dinner Menu

We will be returning on Week One.

Kind regards,

Claire Grant

Executive Headteacher

#### Diary Dates

Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Half term holiday	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Back to school	
	Year Two Trip to the National Marine Aquarium, Plymouth	
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception, Year One and Year Two, Skate and Scooter Day	
	Year Two, Poetry Slam at Ilfracombe Junior School	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception and Year One Sports Day at 2.00 pm	
	(Reserve date Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July at 2.00 pm)	
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year Two Sports Day at 2.00 pm	
	(Reserve date Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July at 2.00 pm)	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Library Summer Reading Challenge Assembly	
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year Two Transition Day to Ilfracombe Junior School	
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception, Year One and Year Two, Essex Dance at the Landmark Theatre	
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception and Year One Transition Day to their new classes	
	Year Two Leavers' Assembly - Swans at 2.30 pm	
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year Two Leavers' Assembly - Kingfishers at 9.30 am	
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of Term	

## Toddler

# Allotment



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- Ilfracombe Family Hub
- Monday 09.30-11.30

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