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Date: 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **RHS Rosemoor Gardens – Year Two**

The children had an amazing time learning about the different foods that we can grow and the parts of the plants that we can eat. The children planted some peas to take home and enjoyed playing in the play area.





## **Ilfracombe Lighting of the Lights Event – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Year Two**

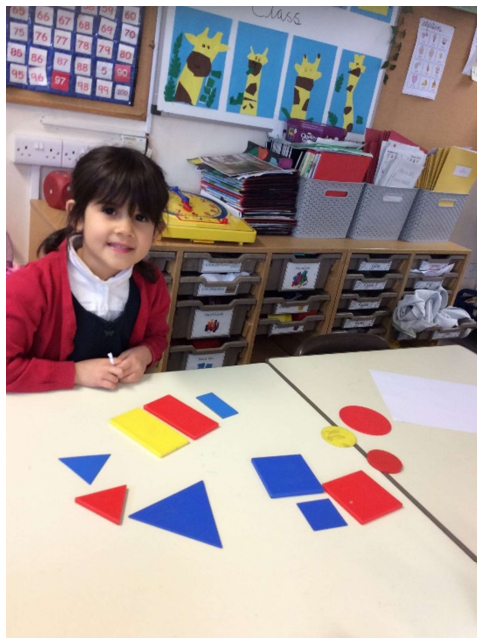
The Year Two children have been given the opportunity to be part of the Lantern Parade on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November. Next week, the children will be making their own wood and tissue paper lanterns, in a style similar to the larger lanterns that will feature in the Lighting of the Lights event. These will be sent home in the hope that as many as possible will be able to join us, with their families, on the night. The parade starts at the Candar (outside the library), at 5:45pm for a 6.00 pm start. At the end of the parade, space will be reserved for our Year 2 families at the front so the children have a clear view of the final proceedings. We are grateful to North Devon Council for supporting this initiative by funding the cost of materials for the lanterns through the Winter Flourishing Culture Grant. Please note that this is not an organised school trip. If your child wishes to join the parade, they must be accompanied by an adult at all times, as staff will not be supervising the event. We hope to see you there!

## **Winter Wonderland at Bicclescombe Park – Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

The children have been invited to sing at the opening of Winter Wonderland at Bicclescombe Park on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2025. We have been learning a selection of Christmas songs to sing at the event. Please could any children wishing to take part, arrive at the entrance to the event at 3.20pm. All children will need to be accompanied by an adult for the duration of the singing.

## **Maths – Year One**

The children have been looking at 2D and 3D shapes. After hearing the story of Rapunzel, the children investigated the properties of 3D shapes by building towers and discussing their choices. The children also discussed the properties of 2D shapes and used these criteria for sorting them into groups.



## School Admissions for Reception and Year Three

The online application portal for new reception admissions in September 2026 is now open. The year 3 admissions to the Junior School is also now open. The closing date for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026. Please visit [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline) to make your application and for more information.


## Recycled Materials

We would be grateful for any yoghurt pots/cereal boxes next week for the Year One children to make animal enclosures.

## Tempest Photographs

Tempest photographers are coming into the school on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November to take portraits and family group photos. If your child has siblings and you would like a family group photograph, these will be taken between 8.00 am and 9.00 am in the Sports Hall.

Kind regards,



Claire Grant  
Executive Headteacher

## Diary Dates

Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception visit to RHS Rosemoor Gardens, Torrington
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Tempest Photographs
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception - Jellyfish Christmas Performance: 9:30am Reception - Turtles Christmas Performance: 2.30pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Year One - Zebras Christmas Performance: 9.30am Year One - Giraffes Christmas Performance: 2.30pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Year Two - Woodpeckers Christmas Performance: 9.30am Year Two - Swans Christmas Performance: 2.30pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year Two - Kingfishers Christmas Performance: 2.30pm
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch for the children
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Visit from Father Christmas
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of Term



# Apply for a primary school place

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



**Apply online** at:

**[devon.cc/admissionsonline](https://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](mailto: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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County Council 

# flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



## 1. Protect your child

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

## 2. Protect you, your family and friends

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

## 3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

## 4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record

## 5. Avoid costs

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

Most children have the nasal spray vaccine which is the preferred vaccine. A vaccine injection is also available which does not contain gelatine from pigs (porcine gelatine).

For more information visit  
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## Parent Carer Session

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- Communicate
- Work in  
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Wednesday 26th  
November. 9am.

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# SEQUINS & SANTA

**SAT NOV 22<sup>ND</sup> 6PM - 10PM**

Ilfracombe Youth Football Club Christmas Party

**FAMILY TICKET**  
 (4-6 PEOPLE) - £25  
 SINGLE ADULT - £8  
 SINGLE CHILD - £5  
 CHILDREN UNDER 5 - FREE

**Everyone Welcome!**

Games, Christmas Raffle, DJ & Disco, Karaoke & Meet Santa. Food and Christmas cocktails available!

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## FREE CHRISTMAS MINDFUL BAKING!

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 4:30pm - 6pm @ Belle's Place

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December 1:30pm - 3pm @ Slade Vision Centre

**Get in touch to secure your place now or turn up on the day!**

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