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Date: 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025

### Dear Parents and Carers,

#### Exmoor Zoo - Year One

The children had a wonderful time visiting all of the amazing animals at Exmoor Zoo. They handled a spider, snake and large stick insect. The children are now looking forward to designing and making their own animal enclosures.













## RHS Rosemoor Gardens - Reception

The children had a wonderful time exploring the gardens and took part in a plant scavenger hunt. They also made wreaths with natural materials and planted pea seeds.







#### Ilfracombe Lighting of the Lights Event - Today - Year Two

Our Year Two children have been invited to join the Lantern Parade which forms part of the Lighting of the Lights event taking place this evening. 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. Children and their adults will meet at the Candar (outside the library) at 5:45 pm as the parade will start promptly at 6.00 pm. At the end of the parade, which travels through the town, a space will be reserved for our Year Two families at the front so the children have a clear view of the final proceedings. We hope many of you will be able to join this enjoyable community event and we look forward to seeing you there.

## Winter Wonderland at Bicclescombe Park - Saturday 6th December

The children have been invited to sing at the opening of Winter Wonderland at Bicclescombe Park on Saturday 6th December 2025. 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. The children's beautiful Christmas artwork will also be on display on the big screen.

#### **Recycled Materials**

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

#### School Admissions for Reception and Year Three

The online application portal for new reception and year 3 admissions are now open. The closing date for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026. Please visit <a href="www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline">www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline</a> to make your application and for more information.

Kind regards,

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Claire Grant

Executive Headteacher

## Diary Dates

Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception - Jellyfish Christmas Performance: 9:30am
	Reception - Turtles Christmas Performance: 2.30pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Year One - Zebras Christmas Performance: 9.30am
December	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	Nursery - Christmas Performance: 9.30am
	Year Two - Kingfishers Christmas Performance: 2.30pm
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch for the children
December	
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

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. 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

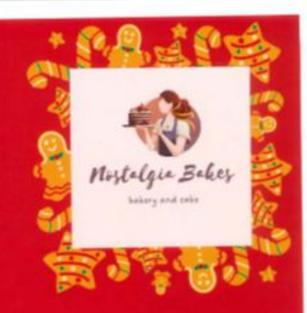
5. Avoid costs

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 www.nhs.uk/child-flu









# FREE CHRISTMAS-MINDFUL BAKING!



Thursday 11th December 4:30pm - 6pm @ Belle's Place

Saturday 20th 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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