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Dear Parents and Carers,

Appledore Book Festival Author Visit – Years One and Two

The children were captivated by John Dougherty and Petr Horáček. They sang songs and read some of their stories. Petr Horáček inspired Year One with his illustrations and comical animations. Each child was given a signed book from their visiting author to take home.

Futures Farm Visit – Zebras

The children had a wonderful time getting to know the chickens, goats, sheep, pigs, alpacas Shetland ponies and Highland cows. They listened carefully to the farmers and helped ensure that all animals were fed and cared for.

Reception Parents and Carers Phonics Workshops

Come and join us for the workshops to find out more about how phonics is taught and the types of experiences your child will have on their reading journey. Please come to the reception area and you will be taken to your child's classroom.

Monday 12th October 2026 at 2.45 pm – Turtles

Tuesday 13th October 2026 at 5.00 pm – all parents and carers

Wednesday 14th October 2026 at 2.45 pm – Jellyfish

Harvest Singing for Parents and Carers

Parents and carers are invited to come along to your child's class on the following dates:

Tuesday 20th October at 2.15 pm – Turtles and Jellyfish

Wednesday 21st October at 2.15 pm – Giraffes and Swans

Thursday 22nd October at 2.15 pm – Zebras and Kingfishers

Harvest crafts will be available in Reception and Year One and the children in Year Two will be sharing the soup and bread that they have made.

NHS Supervised Toothbrushing Scheme – Nursery and Reception

The children in Nursery and Reception will shortly be starting the NHS Supervised Toothbrushing Scheme. Please could parents and carers complete and return to school the consent form that was sent home with children recently and complete the Parent Survey: <https://bigbrushclub.co.uk/parent-survey/>

Access to Water in School

Children have access to water throughout the day. At lunchtime, children can bring their own drinks bottle if they have a packed lunch. The school follows the Government guidelines that promotes drinking water instead of juice/squash. This also promotes good oral health.

Volunteers

We are very grateful to the volunteers that help us. If you would like to become a volunteer, please contact the school office.

Kind regards,



Claire Grant

Executive Headteacher

Diary Dates

Monday 12 th October	Turtles Class Parents and Carers Phonics Workshop - 2.45 pm
Tuesday 13 th October	All Reception Parents and Carers Phonics Workshop - 5.00pm
Tuesday 13 th October	Reception, 'Through the Seasons' Workshop, RHS Garden Rosemoor, Great Torrington
Wednesday 14 th October	Jellyfish Class Parents and Carers Phonics Workshop - 2.45 pm
Wednesday 14 th October	Year One, 'Through the Seasons' Workshop, RHS Garden Rosemoor, Great Torrington
Monday 19 th October	Whole School Music Workshops with Becki Driscoll
Tuesday 20 th October	Reception - Harvest Crafts and Singing for Parents and Carers - 2:15 pm
Wednesday 21 st October	Whole School Music Workshops with Becki Driscoll
Wednesday 21 st October	Giraffes - Harvest Crafts and Singing for Parents and Carers - 2:15 pm
Wednesday 21 st October	Swans - Harvest singing and sharing soup - 2:15 pm
Thursday 22 nd October	Zebras - Harvest Crafts and Singing for Parents and Carers - 2:15 pm
Thursday 22 nd October	Kingfishers - Harvest singing and sharing soup - 2:15 pm
Friday 23 rd October	Non-Pupil Day
Monday 26 th October - Friday 30 th October	Half Term
Monday 2 nd November	Return to School