

The summer holidays seem far behind us now, we hope that you had a restful break. The children and staff have quickly settled and focused and there is already plenty of exciting news to report. Here is a reminder of last terms events and an update of what is to come this Autumn.

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Egg-citing Science

This Monday 26th September a very special delivery of 10 eggs arrived at the school gates. These eggs are not made of chocolate unlike the giant chocolate egg which we received earlier in the summer, they are also much smaller. These eggs are living chicken eggs and arrived in an incubator. By Wednesday morning we were welcomed into school by the cheeping of the first 3 fluffy chicks to hatch, the rest followed soon after! We will be keeping 4 female chicks who will eventually move into our new Diversity Den (an outdoor Science classroom). Members of our Early Birds Breakfast Club and SAS (Serious About Science) Club will be learning how to care for our latest additions. It will be a few months before our chickens start laying any eggs but we are very excited to get cooking when they do!



Important Dates in October:

Monday 3rd October

Launch of Paperless Letters

Parent/Carer Maths Mastery

Wednesday 5th October

Tea & Coffee Morning

Monday 10th October

Flu Vaccinations— Y1,2,3

Community Committee

Meeting

Wednesday 12th October

Tea & Coffee Morning

Wednesday 19th October

Tea & Coffee Morning

Friday 21st October

Inset Day— school closed

Monday 24th October

- **Friday 28th October**

Half Term Holiday

Monday 31st October

Autumn 2 Term Begins

Monday 31st October

– **4th November**

Work Week

Last Day Of Term

Thursday 22nd December

More details can be seen on our school website calendar, you can subscribe to notifications to avoid missing out!

Tea & Coffee Mornings

Come along to one of our Tea & Coffee Mornings. Meet other parents, take part in planned activities and engage in our discussions.

Every Wednesday 8.30am-11am

In the Multi Purpose Room with Jennie Brett-Collins.



Early Birds Breakfast Club

Children who attend Early Birds Breakfast Club are reminded that the club starts at 7:45am. All food and drink is packed away at 8:20am and so we are unable to provide breakfast to children who arrive after this time. Those who are not arriving before 8.20am must be provided with something to eat and drink before they attend Breakfast Club.



Punctuality...

The school gates open at 8:45am for children to go straight to class for their Morning Challenge. Please ensure that your child is in school before the register is taken at 8:55 daily.

Be on time



at five to nine

Nut Allergies

Please be reminded that we are a Nut Free School. Under no circumstances should nuts be brought into school or provided in packed lunches!



Sports Day

Sports Day 2016 was full of fun and excited cheers. The children participated in a variety of running, throwing and jumping activities with a giant obstacle race for the grand finale. Well done to everyone who participated! Thank you to those parents who came along to spectate, and even participate in our own parent/carer race! A big thank you to Mr Kyeyune and Mr Fox for organising our best Sports Day yet.



The Queen's Tea Party

The event of the 2015/16 year had to be the Queen's Tea Party! Congratulations to all of those children who won a prize for their Queen's Portrait and Plate designs. There were some really inspiring artworks created, you can now see the prize portraits on display in the front office, why not come and take a peek? Well done to the children who provided entertainment on the day by taking part in our Royal Variety Show, everyone will agree you were all brilliant, we had singing, dancing, cup tapping and comedy performances, which were fit for the Queen herself. We all owe a huge thank you to Ms O'Malley for all of her hard work and efforts which went into ensuring that this day was a huge success!



Year 6: Oliver Production

What a huge success for our former Year 6 pupils and teachers, the perfect closure for their time here at Devonshire Hill. Hopefully these successful learners are now settled into their secondary schools, going by their fantastic performance they will be brilliant in their drama classes!

DVDs of the performance are now available to purchase from the school office for £5.00.



New School Website – Paperless Letters from Monday 3rd October

Hopefully you have now had time to navigate around the new school website, we are sure that you will agree this is packed full of lots of exciting and informative content. Along with Parent Mail the school website is a useful tool for us to communicate effectively and to keep parents/carers and pupils up to date and informed of upcoming events and important news. Please familiarise yourself with the 'News' tab as from Monday 3rd October letters will no longer be printed to go home, they will be uploaded to the school website and distributed via parent mail for everyone to access electronically.