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Tuesday 9th January 2024

Autumn 1 Events for Your Diary

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to our families and staff. We hope that you are returning well rested and ready to start the new academic year after having a wonderful summer break. Please see below a few reminders and a list of upcoming activities and events. As always please remember to regularly check the school website www.devonshirehill.com and your ParentMail notifications for updates.

MONDAY 2 SEPTEMBER



Apply Now for Reception 2025 | Applications close **Wednesday 15 January** | Nursery

All children who are looking to attend Reception at Devonshire Hill Primary School from September 2025 must complete an application form - this includes families who are currently attending our Nursery. To find out more about how to apply visit the 'Join Our School' page on our school website: <https://devonshirehill.com/about-us/admissions/>

TUESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER | Autumn 1 First Day - Welcome Back!

Below are a few reminders as we begin the new term...

Punctuality - The gates open at 8:45am, the school day begins at 8:55am. Breakfast club is available to those requiring an earlier start. The school day ends at 3:15pm after school clubs are available to those requiring a later finish time.

Clubs - Breakfast Club and After School Clubs are now being run by **Dalmage Active** and should be booked via the links on the school website: <https://devonshirehill.com/parents/after-school-clubs/>

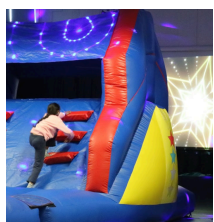
Uniform/Forest School/PE Kit - Children should wear suitable clothing for their daily timetable and for the current colder weather conditions. Please remind yourself of your child's timetable by visiting the school website: www.devonshirehill.com/about-us/the-school-day/

School Meals Menu - Olive Dining have provided new menus for Spring Term including a number of exciting event menus which can be accessed here: www.devonshirehill.com/parents/school-meals/

Open Day Tours - We will continue to host daily open day tours from Monday 30th September. These sessions are for prospective families to come and visit our school. If you have family or friends that might be interested in joining our school please encourage them to get in touch and book onto a tour.

Parent/Carer Volunteers - If you are available to support any of the events outlined below please make contact with your class teacher or with a member of staff at the Main Office. Volunteering could include helping out behind the scenes - i.e. putting up decorations, creating hampers for our raffles, organising the library etc or attending an activity in class, event or trip in order to support the staff and children.

FRIDAY 6 SEPTEMBER



Inflatable Obstacle Course | Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6

Children who attended school for 100% of the Autumn 2024 Term and children in Lynch House are invited to take part in a session on the inflatable obstacle course. In addition all children in Lynch house are invited to wear one item of blue clothing/accessory to school on this day. Socks must be worn on the inflatable, if you do not wish to take part please notify your class teacher before Friday 6 September.



MONDAY 9 SEPTEMBER



Celebration Assembly - 100% Attendance | Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 - families invited - 9:05am

Our weekly Celebration Assemblies start with awarding children who attended school for 100% of Summer 2024 and 100% of the Academic Year 2023-2024.

Parents/Carers are invited to attend each week to help us celebrate our achievements.

This week Ammolite will receive awards in class due to attending the Into University Trip.



Into University Focus Week | Y6 Ammolite Class - Tower Gardens

Children in Ammolite Class will attend a series of workshops and trips across the week. Learning will focus on Sociology and going to university. Children must wear full school uniform, including school shoes for the duration of this week.

WEDNESDAY 11 SEPTEMBER



Into University Royal Courts of Justice Trip | Y6 Ammolite Class

Children will attend the Royal Courts of Justice as part of their IntoUniversity Focus week. All children must wear full school uniform including school shoes. Please also provide a waterproof coat, refillable bottle of water. Children require a packed lunch for this trip.

FRIDAY 13 SEPTEMBER



Into University SOAS University Trip | Y6 Ammolite Class

Ammolite Class will attend SOAS University London as part of their IntoUniversity Focus week. Children must wear full school uniform including school shoes. Please also provide a waterproof coat, refillable bottle of water. Children require a packed lunch for this trip.



Celebration Assembly - 100% Attendance | Y1, Y2 - families invited - 9:05am

Our weekly Celebration Assemblies start with awarding children who attended school for 100% of Summer 2024 and 100% of the Academic Year 2023-2024.

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MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER



Mulberry Woodside Secondary Transition Assembly | Y6 families invited 9.30am

Mulberry Woodside will join the end of our Celebration Assembly to talk to Year 6 and their families about secondary school transition. Join us for useful information to support your family with your child's transition from primary to secondary education.

WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER



National Fitness Day | 'Find Your Fit'

Children across the school will be celebrating National Fitness Day through their PE lessons. Find out more about National Fitness Day at <https://www.nationalfitnessday.com/about/> for some inspiration for how to take part at home. We would love to hear all about what fitness activities you complete together at home.

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THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER



Parent/Carer Presentation Afternoon | N, R, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 - 3.30pm - 5pm

Parents/Carers are invited to attend our presentation afternoon from 3.30pm. Join us to find out more about the expectations of the academic year. Each class teacher will hold a formal presentation about school vision, expectations and opportunities. You will have lots of opportunity to ask questions and explore the school after the presentation ends.

MONDAY 23 SEPTEMBER



Into University Focus Week | Y6 Azore Class - Tower Gardens

Children in Ammolite Class will attend a series of workshops and trips across the week. Learning will focus on Sociology and going to university. Children must wear full school uniform, including school shoes for the duration of this week.

WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER



Into University Royal Courts of Justice Trip | Y6 Azore Class

Azore Class will attend the Royal Courts of Justice as part of their IntoUniversity Focus week. Children must wear full school uniform including school shoes. Please also provide a waterproof coat, refillable bottle of water. Children require a packed lunch for this trip.

FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER



Into University Northeastern University Trip | Y6 Azore Class

Azore Class will attend Northeastern University London as part of their IntoUniversity Focus week. Children must wear full school uniform including school shoes. Please also provide a waterproof coat, refillable bottle of water. Children require a packed lunch for this trip.

MONDAY 30 SEPTEMBER



Open Day | Families joining Reception in September 2025

Come along for a tour, see our amazing facilities, meet our friendly staff, ask questions about the Reception learning journey and about the application process.

This open day is the final open day before the Reception 2025 admissions deadline on **Monday 15th January**.

Book a place on the school website: <https://devonshirehill.com/about-us/admissions/>



British Museum Trip | Y3

Year 3 will attend the British Museum as part of their History Learning Journey. All children must wear full school uniform including school shoes. Please also provide a waterproof coat, refillable bottle of water. Children require a packed lunch for this trip.

TUESDAY 1 OCTOBER



Black History Month | Whole School

The whole school will take part in various projects across their curriculum learning which is aimed at celebrating Black History Month.

