

“Mighty oaks from little acorns grow”

Through having high expectations for all, we constantly strive to promote the overall development of all members of our school community to enable them to reach their full potential. We are a welcoming, and motivational school that nurtures and supports pupils to learn transferable skills for life-long learning.

Message from Simon Roberts

Welcome back to school and a very Happy New Year! After an action-packed end to 2022, the children and all of our team are enjoying being back in a normal school routine.

Please look at page 2 for a snapshot of what the children have been up to over the last fortnight. For further details of what they will be covering over the weeks and months ahead, please look at the curriculum overview sheets and home learning enrichment sheets that were sent out earlier today.

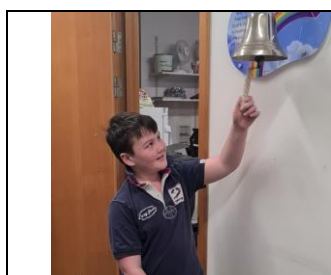
Weekly certificate winners

Mathematicians of the Week	
Our mathematicians this week are:	
	13.01.23
Acorn	Kaiden
Andrews	Sutton
Scott	Arlo
Daley	Rose
Acland	Sami
Reynolds	Ellie
King	Samuel

Stars of the Week	
Our stars this week are:	
	13.01.23
Acorn	Lily
Andrews	Natalie
Scott	Maia
Daley	Joey
Acland	Tom
Reynolds	Coby
King	Esme & Millie

Questions of the Week	
Our impressive questioners for the week are:	
	13.01.23
Andrews	Ella
Scott	Harper P
Daley	Florrie
Acland	Rory
Reynolds	Elliott
King	Deegan

In assembly time, we also celebrated this remarkable achievement!



For those in a battle with cancer, the ringing of a bell signifies a great accomplishment. It signifies the end of a tough chapter of treatment and the beginning of a new one.

This week, we celebrated the extraordinary resilience of Luuk, in year 4, who reached this significant milestone. We are so proud of you.

Our fortnight in photos

<p>Acorn class</p> 	<p>Andrews class</p> 	<p>Scott class</p> 
<p>In our creative lessons, we have been mixing primary colours to create secondary colours.</p>	<p>In maths, we have been playing board games to help us learn our number bonds to 20.</p>	<p>In computing, we have been using the Turtle Logo programme to create algorithms and instruct a character.</p>
<p>Daley class</p> 	<p>Acland class</p> 	<p>Reynolds class</p> 
<p>In PE, we have been using mindfulness dance as part of our health and wellbeing topic.</p>	<p>In PE, we have been exploring balance by creating our own bridges.</p>	<p>In science, we have been using our inflatable solar system to learn how planets move in relation to the Sun.</p>
<p>King class</p> 	<p>Thank you, from Acorn Class!</p> 	
<p>In PE, we have started to learn a range of tag rugby skills including dodging and passing.</p>	<p>Thank you to everyone who donated toys or came to buy from our nearly new toy stall at Christmas. We raised a total of £90.21 for the charity 'Young Lives vs Cancer'. We took the remaining toys to the charity shop in Tiverton.</p>	

Diary Dates

Term	Commences	Finishes
Spring	3 rd January 2023	31 st March 2023
Summer	18 th April 2023	21 st July 2023

Date	Item
w/c 16 th January	Spring clubs begin
8 th February	Daley class assembly (3pm)
10 th February	Non-Pupil Day (school closed)
13th – 17th February	Half-Term Week
2 nd March	World Book Day
8 th March	Parents' Evening (All classes)
9 th March	Parents' Evening (All classes <u>except</u> Acorn class)
15 th March	Parents' Evening (Acorn class only)
13 th – 17 th March	British Science Week
17 th March	Red Nose Day
31 st March	The Duchy Mile
31 st March	Last Day of Term

The Duchy School Uniform

The school places great importance on the wearing of school uniform. It is a valuable sign that children have pride in their membership of the school and in the team spirit it creates.

- We ask that all items of clothing and personal items are marked with your child's name.
- Sweatshirts, cardigans and purple tee shirts are available from the school.
- Black PE hoodies are optional and can be ordered from the school office. No nail polish, added hair colours or make-up.

Please do check for availability with the office before paying for any items on Parent Pay first.

UNIFORM
Purple sweatshirt/cardigan available from the school
White polo shirt or blouse
Grey trousers/shorts/knee-length skirt/knee-length pinafore
Grey or white socks/tights
Black shoes (not boots) - trainers are not permitted
Purple and white summer dress/ blue, white or black summer sandals with socks
Purple PE tee shirt/black PE shorts/ white PE socks/white or black trainers/optional black PE hoodie

In the community

