



### Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Comic Relief**

Just to let you know that the total amount raised for Comic Relief was £220 😊 A huge thank you to Sue for organising the nose photo, it was lovely to see the whole school together and having fun!



### **News from the Governors**

We welcomed a new governor to the board at this week's meeting, Jenny Barker, and also confirmed Rob's new term. Great stuff. Just a reminder that you can find out more on the role of the board, and who we are, on the [governor pages of school website](#).

The resources committee met last week to monitor the budget as we approach the end of the financial year, and our thanks again go to Hilary and Sandie for managing the budget so well in what is a constantly changing framework and set of pressures. As I have mentioned previously, this means investments continue to be made to support the curriculum, in resources available to all children, and also in development opportunities for staff. Approval of the budget was recommended by the resources committee and agreed on Tuesday by the full board.

In addition to the more procedural items, we also discussed staff and pupil wellbeing and the continued support available, and heard how the Primary Partnership of nine local schools is developing. This partnership gives the opportunity to share experiences and offer support and through reciprocated visits with peer groups across the schools' staff. And finally, we have started to look at ways to increase parent engagement - as a starting point we will use the themes raised from last year's parent and carers survey, and will let you know what format this will take and how you can contribute.

Thank you, Ian Stewart, Chair of Governors

### **Oak Tree Class**

Hollie in Oak Tree Class has been doing some fantastic fundraising to help children in Ukraine. She walked 10 miles from Totnes to Dittisham and has currently raised £1790! If you would like to support her in her amazing efforts you can donate to her Justgiving page here: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/hollie-help-ukraine>

### **Beautiful Art work your children all worked together on creating**

Every so often we re-design our large canvases around school with each class having one to work together on. The theme this time was 'dreams and aspirations'. They are beautiful. We have posted them on our home page of our website for you to see – your child can talk to you about them.

### **Parking at the front of the school and pavement access**

You may have noticed a traffic warden last week on The Grove after school. They have clarified that there should be no parking at all on the road outside the school at pick up times as it is a clear-way from 9am to 6pm. Obviously no one should be stopping at any time on the school zigzags side of the road morning or night. If you are collecting by car, then please use the carparks and the field entrance to avoid this issue as the traffic warden will be making regular spot checks. Also, if you are chatting on the pavement please make sure people do not have to step into the road to walk around you or your dogs. It is a narrow pavement and priority should be given to children trying to make their way home safely.

Kind regards

Hilary Priest

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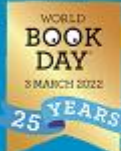
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### What's on at Dartington

Thrive Festival from 29 April – 2 May. Thrive is going to be a celebration of the joy, sunshine and hope that the start of summer represents, and includes concerts in the Great Hall, craft and music workshops for children and adults, music on the lawn and a shadow play. There's a mix of free and paid events (you still need to book tickets for free events though!), with things like a performance of *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark* and workshops for kids to paint birds, make bird boxes, building mini treehouses (perfect for fairies!), and lots more. All the info is here: [Thrive Festival - Dartington Trust](#)

Easter holidays (Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April) where kids will have the chance to get to know how different wind instruments work, as well as hearing short extracts from different classical pieces: [Magnard Ensemble: Family Concert - Dartington Trust](#) Hopefully a great event to nurture childrens' interest in music and wind instruments!

TORQUAY MUSEUM



# World Book Day Celebration

26th March 10am - 4pm


**Comic Strip Making Workshop (7-14yr olds)**

@ 10.15, 11.15, 12.15, 2.15, 3.15

**Storytelling in the Old Devon Farmhouse (3-7yr olds)**

@ 10.15, 11.15, 1.15, 2.15, 3.15



**Mystery Film** 

@ 10.15, 12.00, 2.00



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