STOKE FLEMING PRIMARY SCHOOL

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

OCTOBER

1st—EYFS Parent meetings

6th—10th—Y6 Skern Lodge Residential

15th—Y6 Junior Life Skills

24th-26th—Dartmouth Food Festival

27th—31st—October half term

NOVEMBER

4th—Individual school photos

4th—EYFS Open afternoon

6th— EYFS Open morning

18th & 19th—Parent meetings

DECEMBER

1st—Non Pupil Day

10th—Christmas Lunch

12th-14th—Stoke Fleming Christmas Tree Festival

19th—Break up for Christmas holidays

JANUARY

5th—Back to School

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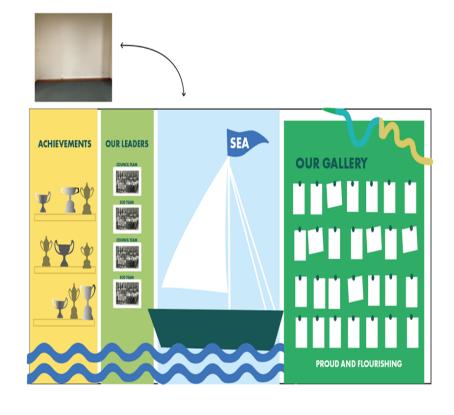
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Set sail in the world...



Dear Parents/ Carers,

This week we were delighted to welcome Els Incy, a local artist and designer, into school. Many of you will know Els as the leader of our weekly arts and craft club, but she is also working closely with us on redesigning some of our school spaces. On Wednesday, Els joined us in assembly to share her exciting designs with the children, who were brimming with enthusiasm and ideas. I look forward to sharing the finished projects with you in the coming weeks.



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Our vision: Set sail in the world
Our Values: Considerate, Confident, Creative and
Cultured.

Our mission: Our 'charted curriculum' inspires everyone to explore, dream and discover the world around us



This week cont'd

Family Groups

As we do each week, on Thursday afternoon our family groups came together. This week's theme was paired reading with buddies. This is a valuable opportunity for children to connect across year groups, build confidence and enjoy books together. Younger pupils benefit from listening to fluent role models, while older children develop leadership, empathy and pride in supporting others. Importantly, it is not just about reading skills — it is about community, relationships, and the simple joy of sharing stories. We aim to make these sessions calm, positive, and a true celebration of reading and togetherness.







Attendance

Our whole-school attendance currently stands at **97.1%**, which is a wonderful start to the year — thank you for everything you do to help make this possible.

I would like to remind everyone that, by law, we cannot authorise holidays during term time except in truly exceptional circumstances. While we understand that families sometimes face difficult choices, it's important to know that if a child accumulates 10 or more unauthorised sessions (i.e. 5 school days) we are required to refer the matter to Devon County Council, who may issue a fixed penalty notice. Any period of absence impacts on children's progress and, over time, what can seem like just a few days here and there can add up to a significant amount of missed learning.

Percentage Attendance	Days Missed	Lessons Missed (assuming a 5- period day)	Achieving Expected Pro- gress in Reading, Writing and Maths at the end of Year 6	Achieved Grades 9-5 in GCSE English and Maths at the end of Year 11
95-100%	0-10	0 - 50	68%	56%
90-95%	10-20	50-100	58%	44%
85-90%	20-30	100-150	47%	34%
80-85%	30-40	150-200	38%	24%

Thank you for your ongoing support in helping us maintain strong attendance and ensuring every child has the best chance to succeed.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Mr Harrison Headteacher



Celebration



Attendance Matters

This week's attendance by class:

Challenger - 96%

Invincible - 98.08%

Victory - 99.26%

Discovery - 98.52%

Endeavour - 95.33%

WOW! Well done

Victory

Best attendance this week!

School attendance for the year so far is currently **97.72%**

Please keep supporting our attendance target of 96% or above

Certificate of Excellence



Challenger—

Invincible— Alice & Walter

Victory— Henry & Ivy

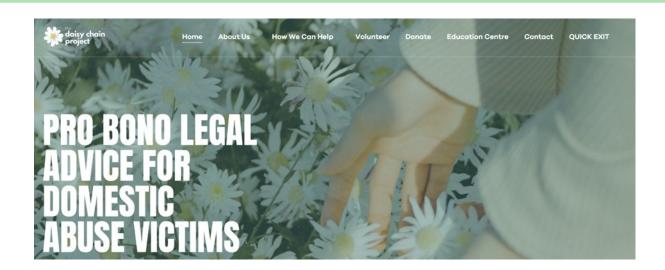
Discovery— Erin & Reuben

Endeavour— Cohan & Dante





SEND Signpost



Supporting you every step of the way

We provide pro-bono legal advice to men and women experiencing, or fleeing, domestic abuse. This advice is supported by our team of regulated barristers and solicitors.

We want this website to be an educational resource for legal options and advice when dealing with domestic abuse situations, which we will be updating on a weekly basis.

We're passionate about helping our local community. If you'd also like to support us, you can volunteer your time to help. Learn more on our volunteer page here. Alternatively, you can donate to us here.

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Open events



Stoke Fleming Primary School Open Events - 2026 cohort

We will be holding two open events for 2026 school starters.

This is an opportunity to come into the classroom to find out more about life in a Reception Class, have a look around the school and take part in activities with your child.

We hope that you can join us on one of the following dates:

Tuesday 4th November from 9.00am - 10.30am

Thursday 6th November from 1.30pm – 3.00pm

On the day, please come along to the School Office.

If you have any questions, please phone us on:

01803 770244



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