

STOKE FLEMING PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Set sail in the world...

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

DECEMBER

12th-14th—Stoke Fleming Christmas Tree Festival

17th—Phase 2 Panto Stoke Fleming Village Hall 5pm

18th—Phase 3 Carol Service St Peter's Church 5pm

19th—Break up for Christmas holidays

JANUARY

5th—Back to School

FEBRUARY

16th-20th—half term

MARCH

10th—Eden Project trip for classes Invincible & Victory

16th— Non Pupil Day

APRIL

2nd—Break up for Easter holidays

20th—Back to School

Dear Parents / Carers,

Christmas festivities have been in full swing at Stoke Fleming Primary School this week. It was a pleasure to welcome so many of you into school for two packed-out performances of our Early Years Nativity on Monday and Tuesday. As I said to many of you at the time, working in a school at this point in the year is a real joy, and it was wonderful to be able to share some festive cheer together.



On Wednesday, we were treated to a very special visitor who arrived in style on his motorbike. Father Christmas came to visit, as he so often does at this time of year, with many of our children firmly on his 'nice list'. My thanks go to the Friends of the School, and in particular Emily Handley, for arranging his visit. We followed this with our festive lunch, complete with crackers, music and, of course, pigs in blankets!



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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

Today, the whole school enjoyed a visit to the church to see the Christmas Tree Festival. The children wrote notes of Christmas well-wishes to decorate the community tree, a lovely way to share kindness and festive messages with the wider village.

Looking ahead to next week, we are excited to continue spreading Christmas cheer as we welcome parents to our Phase 2 panto on Wednesday and our Phase 3 Carol Concert on Thursday.

Attendance — Staying Healthy and in School

At this time of year, with colds and other winter illnesses circulating, we know lots of families are thinking carefully about whether to send children to school. Regular attendance is vital for children's learning and wellbeing. If your child is genuinely too unwell to attend school, we will of course record this as an authorised absence, and you will not be penalised for it. Schools are expected to authorise absence for genuine medical reasons as long as we are informed promptly.

The NHS and UK Health Security Agency guidance is helpful in deciding whether your child should stay home. In general:

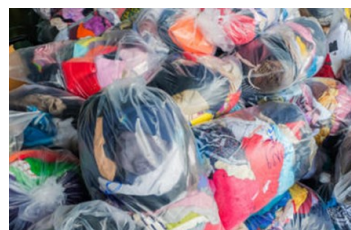
- Mild symptoms such as a runny nose, slight cough or sore throat *do not usually require* staying off school if your child is otherwise well
- Children should stay at home if they have a high temperature or are unwell enough that they cannot participate in school activities.
- For diarrhoea or vomiting, they should remain off school until at least 48 hours after symptoms stop.

For some conditions like chickenpox or certain infections, children may need to stay at home until they are no longer contagious (for example, until spots have crusted over).

For detailed NHS guidance about when your child is too ill for school, you can visit the NHS advice page: *Is my child too ill for school?* (<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>) [nhs.uk](https://www.nhs.uk)

We appreciate your continued support in ensuring children are healthy, safe and able to benefit from every day of learning here at Stoke Fleming Primary.

BAG 2 SCHOOL
FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS
In partnership with your school or organisation



Thank you to everyone who donated clothes to the fundraising for school this week, we raised £63.

Warmest wishes,

Mr Harrison



Celebration



Attendance Matters

This week's attendance by class:

Challenger - 98.12%

Invincible - 94.44%

Victory - 97.93%

Discovery - 90.71%

Endeavour - 95.48%

WOW! Well done

Challenger

Best attendance this week!

School attendance for the year
so far is currently **97.22%**

**Please keep supporting our attendance
target of 96% or above**

Certificate of Excellence



Challenger— Marnie & Phoenix

Invincible— Beatrix & Nancy

Victory— Finn & Laith

Discovery— Bella P & Oscar

Endeavour— Angus & Louis



Road Closure

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

SECTION 14

THE COUNTY OF DEVON (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) (DARTMOUTH ROAD, STOKE FLEMING) NOTICE 2025

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC

DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL hereby give **NOTICE** that:

From **TUESDAY 16 DECEMBER 2025**
for a maximum of 5 days

Until **THURSDAY 18 DECEMBER 2025** (both dates inclusive)

No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed on the sections of Affected Roads.

Roads affected -

DARTMOUTH ROAD, STOKE FLEMING. FROM O/S NO.1 ROSE COTTAGE TO O/S NO3 ROSE COTTAGE DARTMOUTH RD

The alternative, signed, route for vehicles will be via - A379 TO DARTMOUTH, A3122 TO HALWELL CROSS, TO KINGHSBRIDGE VIA A381 THEN A379 TO STRETE TO STOKE FLEMING.

This temporary restriction is considered necessary to enable -

URGENT LV CABLE FAULT REPAIRS DUE TO DAMAGE FROM THIRD PARTY (DRAINAGE WORKS).

For additional information contact:

NATIONAL GRID (PLYMOUTH)

Telephone: **01752 506134**

Dated: **TUESDAY 16 DECEMBER 2025**

Meg Booth
Director of Climate Change, Environment and
Transport
Devon Highways
Devon County Council
County Hall
Exeter
EX2 4QD

Ref: TTRO2567197



Class Endeavour

This week in Endeavour we had an amazing German lesson with one of our pupils (Dante) he taught us how to count to ten and write the days of the week. We all had a great time learning a new language.

In English, we have been very busy writing speeches for an example: Animal cruelty, AI and Migration. Some of the year 6 are practising for youth speaks (which is in January), and this will help them build confidence.

In science, we tested our reaction catches using a ruler. A pupil tried to catch a ruler as fast as they could, but they didn't know when it was going to drop. We made a table and worked who caught it the fastest.

In maths we have been working on fractions. Adding fractions to dividing them. It has been a busy week, and we have all had fun!

We also enjoyed the Christmas tree festival at the church this morning.

Merry Christmas!

By: Louis (Y5), Jacques (Y6), Ava (Y6).





Stoke Fleming School

Christmas Carol Service

Thursday 18th December

St Peters Church Stoke Fleming

Refreshments from 4.30pm

Service starts at 5.00pm

Join us for

Mince Pies Mulled Wine

Tea & Coffee Hot Chocolate

Gingerbread Cookies

All proceeds to The Friends of Stoke Fleming School

Registered Charity 1052968

Come and enjoy the magic of Christmas

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

29 real Christmas Trees, individually decorated

St Peter's Church, Stoke Fleming

Friday 12th and Saturday 13th December – 10am to 5pm

**Sunday 14th December from 10am
until short closing service at 5pm**

ALL WELCOME



Free entry but donations welcome. Refreshments available.

Raising Funds for
St Peter's Church, kitchen and WC upgrade project
Trees kindly provided at a generous discount
by gardentime, Blackawton



Swim School Offer

Give your little one something to get excited about this Christmas with our limited-time swim school offer! Enrol now and enjoy all the benefits without paying a penny until 2026.

Here's what you'll love:

Nothing to pay until 2026

FREE casual swimming for your child

Secure your place before the January rush

Pre-Christmas excitement for your little one

Spaces fill quickly at this time of year, so now is the perfect moment to dive in.

To book or find out more, contact us on 01803 837010 or email Dartmouth-sales@fusion-lifestyle.com.

We can't wait to welcome you to the pool!

This offer expires this Sunday 14th December



FLASH SALE

Fusion Leisure Centres
- All Devon Sites

Join our Swim School today and
get the rest of the year for FREE*

Christmas Services

CHILDREN OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME AT ANY OF OUR SERVICES
BUT THE SERVICES LISTED HERE WILL BE PARTICULARLY
SUITABLE FOR FAMILIES TO ATTEND TOGETHER.

DECEMBER

Sunday 7th December

Christingle Service

11am, St Clement's, TQ6 9SN

Join us to make a Christingle and
to celebrate the start of the
Christmas season

Sunday 21st December

Nativity Service

11am, St Clement's, TQ6 9SN

Chance to wear a Nativity costume once again, and to
join in with this improvised retelling of the traditional
Christmas story - bring your own costume, borrow one of
ours, or simply come as you are...

followed by...

POSADA PARTY

11:45am - 1pm, St Clement's, TQ6 9SN

Join us for this festive treat at the start of
the Christmas Holiday



CHRISTMAS EVE

Wednesday 24th December

Family Carol Service

3pm, St George's, Dittisham TQ6 0HS

A popular village tradition as we bring together the Nativity
Characters and retell the story of the first Christmas Eve



CHRISTMAS DAY

Thursday 25th December

Christmas Celebration with Communion

8am, St Clement's, TQ6 9SN

Festive pyjamas and jumpers are essential
on 'the BIG day' so come as you are!
Service will finish in plenty of time to get home
to prepare Christmas Lunch.

JANUARY

Sunday 4th January

Epiphany Service

11am, St Clement's, TQ6 9SN

Join us for our New Year's Service as we reflect on the
story of the Wise Men. Followed by a shared meal.



"Clements Coffee".



"The United Benefice of Dartmouth and Dittisham"



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