



Autumn Term Week 10 – 21st November 2025

Dear Parent/Carers,

Thank You for Your Support at Parents' Evening

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our recent Parents' Evenings. Your engagement and partnership are vital in helping us support your children to achieve their very best. If you were not able to book an appointment, please don't worry—it's not too late. We will always make time to talk about your child's progress and discuss how we can work together to support them in every way possible. Families who didn't book may receive a phone call soon, as we are aiming to ensure that **100% of parents** have the opportunity to receive an update on their child's education. We truly value your involvement and look forward to continuing this important dialogue.

As we head into the colder months, we kindly ask parents to ensure that all coats and belongings are clearly labelled with their child's name to help us return any lost items quickly. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support in keeping our playgrounds safe in the mornings by avoiding the use of scooters. Your cooperation makes a real difference and helps us ensure a calm and safe start to the school day for everyone.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs J Tierney and the Primary Phase team

Dates for the diary

December

1st – Non-pupil day

4th – Primary Open Morning @ 9.30am

9th – Rainbow Theatre Performance

10th – EYFS Nativity @ 9.00am

12th – Christmas Fayre

15th – Y1 - 6 Carol Service, St Clements Church at 2pm

17th Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day

19th – End of term, closing at 1pm

January

5th – Back to School

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Celebrations

Attendance Matters

This year's attendance by Year Group:

Year 1 – 94.5%

Year 2 – 96.5%

Year 3 – 94.9%

Year 4 – 94.7%

Year 5 – 94.2%

Year 6 – 93.7%

Year 7 – 94.1%

Year 8 – 94.1%

Year 9 – 91.9%

Year 10 – 92.9%

Year 11 – 93.2%

School attendance for the year so far is currently

93.6%

Thank you for supporting our target of 96%

Primary celebrations 'Stars in our eyes'

Finley HT – Nursery

Amara GP – Reception/Y1

Bonnie B – Class 1/2

Archie W – Class 2/3

Jaden M – Class 4/5

Alexis MC – Class 6



EXCELLENCE

Competence Innovation Passion Service Satisfaction Motivation Accuracy Success

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What have we been up to:

Celebrating Excellence and Character

This week, we proudly held our whole school awards ceremony to recognise pupils who have demonstrated exceptional dedication and personal growth. One of the highlights was celebrating a Year 6 pupil Leo, whose incredible attitude to learning and genuine kindness towards others has had a powerful impact on our school community. Despite facing significant personal challenges, he has shown courage, resilience, and a consistently positive approach to every lesson. His politeness, engagement and determination to succeed have made him a true role model for his peers. We are delighted to recognise not only his academic effort, but also the strength of character he has displayed throughout the year.



Last week, Class 1-2 read one of their favourite five stories "The Crow's Tale" to children at Yaremche Lyceum in the Ukraine. This is just the beginning of our UK-Ukraine partnership, which seeks to celebrate our shared love of reading. Together we talked about our favourite characters in the story and why we love it so much. These pictures show the moments we most enjoy. What an amazing experience to talk to children in another country about a story we love!



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Class 6 used their Geography fieldwork skills to collect data about human geography in our local area. They counted customers going into local supermarkets and will analyse the data in their next geography lesson as part of their fieldwork unit. Thank you to Mrs Eggleton, Mrs Margison and Mrs Hedin for volunteering to help us!



**DAF (Dartmouth Academy Friends) are collecting any unwanted bottles/presents for the tombola at this year's Christmas fair on Friday 12th of December from 2.45pm.
If you have any please can you drop them off to reception by Friday the 28th November.**

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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...



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.



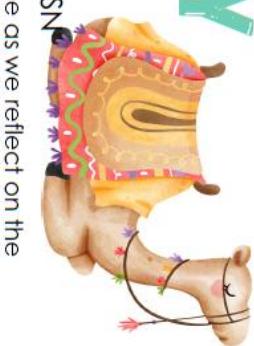
JANUARY

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.



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