

Northam St George's Weekly News

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Growing, achieving and flourishing together in mind, body and spirit.



Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

What beautiful sunshine we have had this week, and it has been lovely to see the children playing outside in this warm autumn weather.

This week I would like to draw your attention to some really useful parent/carer information sessions that are being run by an organisation called Let's Talk - Safer Families Project in Teignbridge. These sessions are **completely free and well worth a look. Even if you think that your child is still too young to think about these topics, time moves very quickly and forewarned is forearmed! Here is a summary of the free online session this coming Wednesday:**

This coming Wednesday 30th, we are delivering Let's Talk Safer Families Primary: Building Strong Foundations, a free online session for parents and carers of primary school-aged children. The session focuses on strengthening relationships, understanding children's behaviour and development, improving communication, recognising early signs that something may be wrong, and helping families build the foundations that keep children safe and thriving.

You can find details of all upcoming sessions on our website: [Events - Let's Talk Safer Families](#)

You can also watch previous sessions on our You Tube: [Lets Talk - YouTube](#)

I have included fliers with further information alongside the newsletter.

Have a wonderful weekend and I hope you all have a chance to enjoy the sunshine!



Around The Classes



We have had another great week in **Lemon Class**.

During maths we have been counting and representing numbers and finding 1 more or less than a given number. The children worked independently through a range of activities to help secure their learning.



What a busy week in **Apple Class**!

Apple Class were enjoying learning how to be 'Champion Gymnasts' this week in PE. They were exploring wide movements and balances.



Around The Classes



In the Woodlands...

This week in our Drawing Club we have been reading '*The Elves and the Shoe Maker*'. The children have had lots of fun playing imaginatively to bring the elves to life within our setting; making, fixing, selling, measuring and designing new shoes. The children enjoyed exploring the Wilderness on Tuesday, building dens, making potions, digging and making muddy soups in the mud kitchen.



In the Orchard ...

This week in the Orchard, the children have been focusing on phonics, matching initial sounds to objects and enjoying lots of rhyme time.

The children have had great fun washing and cleaning the babies. They particularly enjoyed squeezing the sponges to make lots of bubbles and then brushing the babies' teeth.

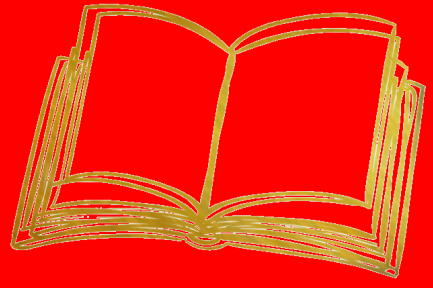
We have also been exploring numbers and developing our understanding of 1:1 correspondence by matching numerals to the correct quantity.

The children have been sorting objects by size and exploring different ways to compare them. Outdoors, they have really enjoyed spending time in the reading area and using chalk to create pictures and marks, developing their fine motor skills.

In the mud kitchen, the children have been mixing mud, water and herbs to make lovely mud cakes. They have enjoyed using the different utensils for scooping, mixing and serving, developing their imagination and coordination.

In the Wilderness, the children have enjoyed collecting leaves, which we will use to create some lovely pictures and artwork.

Golden Book



Blueberry

This week we
are celebrating:
Paige H

For: exploring
every activity! You
have shown such a
happy and hard-
working attitude.
Super!

Strawberry

This week we
are celebrating
Paige M

For: showing
excellent sitting
and listening
during Phonics
lessons.
Well Done!

Lemon

This week we
are celebrating
Lola

For: always being
an excellent role
model and working
independently at
home to create a
non-fiction book!

Apple

This week we
are celebrating
Amelia

For: having a
fantastic week! Great
listening in class and
showing kindness to
friends. Well done
Amelia!

Dates 2026 - 27



Key Dates for 2025-26

Autumn Term		
Date	Activity	Location
Tuesdays	Woodlands Forest School	The wilderness
28 September	Appledore Book Festival author visit	Reception and Nursery Classes
30 September	Appledore Book Festival author visit	Year 2 Apple Class
01 October	Appledore Book Festival author visit	Year 1 Lemon Class
08 October	KS1 trip Lynmouth Cliff railway and Woody Bay	Apple and Lemon Class
08 October	Library visit for Storytime	Nursery Class
12 October	Open Books Class visit for parents and carers	Apple Class
13 October	Open Books Class Visit for parents and carers	Lemon Class
Date to be confirmed	Harvest Festival	St Margaret's Church
WB 19 October	Parent/Carer Teacher consultations	Your child's classroom
23 Oct	Non Pupil Day	
26 Oct – 30 Oct Autumn Half Term		
2 November	Pupils return to school	
WB 16/11/26	Anti-bullying week	
10 November	Open Phonic Lessons for parents and carers	Reception Classes
03 December	Reception Nativity Performance (afternoon)	School Hall
10 December	KS1 Christmas Play Performance (afternoon)	School Hall
10 December	KS1 Christmas Play Performance 5:00pm	School Hall
16 December	Christmas Jumper Day	Whole School
16 December	Christmas dinner day	School Hall
Date to be confirmed	Christmas Service	St Margaret's Church
21 Dec to 05 Jan - Christmas Holidays		
Spring Term		
Date	Activity	Location
05 Jan	Non Pupil Day	
06 Jan	Pupils return to school	
08 Feb	Individual Reports	
15 to 19 Feb Spring Half Term		
23 March	World Book Day	
Date to be confirmed	Easter Service	St Margaret's Church
26 March – 09 April - Easter Holidays		
Summer Term		
Date	Activity	Location
13 and 14 April	School Art Exhibition	School Hall
23 April	St George's Day	
01 May	Northam Mayfair – Year 2 Maypole dancing	The Rectory - Northam
Wednesdays	Year 2 Swimming Lessons	Northam Pool
Tuesdays	Year 1 Beach School	Northam Beach
03 May	BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY	
06 May	Ascension Day Service	St Margaret's playground
WB 24 May	Parent / Carer Teacher Consultations	Your child's classroom
31 – 4 May Half Term		
30 June	Sports Day	School Field
07 July	Reserve Sports Day	School Field
16 July	Whole School Music Celebration	
22 July	Final day of summer term for pupils	
23 July	Non pupil day	