



ALL SAINTS' THURLESTONE

CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Friday 27th March 2026

Dear Families,

It was wonderful to see how successful our Air Ambulance Day was yesterday. The children were highly engaged throughout the activities, and the sense of community spirit was clear to see. A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to the organisation of the day—your support made it run smoothly and ensured that the children had a memorable experience.

As I have visited classes over the past week, I have been genuinely impressed with the quality of writing across the school. The children have shown great creativity, resilience, and pride in their work, and it has been a pleasure to see their progress first-hand.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming all families to our Easter Service on **Wednesday at 9:00am**, which will be held at the church. It is always a special occasion in our school calendar, and we hope many of you will be able to join us.

We still have space on the 10th April for our fun activity day! Please use the below link to book on

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Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Ruston

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 31st March Eye screening for Reception

Wednesday 1st April- 9:00am

Easter Service at church and Easter Bonnet Parade for Nursery, Yarmer and Leas Foot (all welcome)

Thursday 2nd April-

Last day of Term and FTS Easter Egg Hunt end of the day

Friday 3rd April- Easter Holidays

Monday 20th April- Non-Pupil Day

Tuesday 21st April- First day of term

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The FAB dates are 8th, 14th and 15th April.

Steeple Cove Nursery



This week Steeple Cove have been celebrating Easter! The children have been learning about the origin story of Easter and have been busy creating Easter nests for new life to use as their new habitats. On Wednesday we were joined by Mrs Shea from Tesco who supported us to make chocolate Easter nests. On Thursday we joined in with 'The Devon Air Ambulance' day which was kindly organised by Angus, Thank you so much Angus the children loved the assault course!

Yarmer (Reception/Year 1)

This week has been full of fun, learning, and new experiences! We enjoyed dressing in red or blue to raise money for Devon Air Ambulance, organised by Angus—thank you for your kind support. We made the most of our time together by enjoying a lovely picnic and taking part in an exciting obstacle course. In class, we have been exploring the story *Lula and the Sea Monster*, learning new vocabulary and discussing the events in the story. We have also been learning about the life of King Charles III, carefully ordering important events in his life. As Easter approaches, we have been thinking about the idea of new beginnings. In RHE, we have focused on road safety and created posters to share our important messages. A fantastic week—well done everyone!

Leas Foot (Year 1 and 2)

We have had another busy week this week! As mathematicians, we have enjoyed lots of practical learning about grouping and sharing. We have been moving objects physically to understand the importance of equal groups. We are continuing our learning about multiplication and division throughout the rest of this term. We spent time on Thursday fundraising for the Devon Air Ambulance wearing mufti and taking part in an assault course run by members of our school, finished with a cake sale and lucky dip! Thank you for all your generosity in this.

Sedgewell Cove (Year 3 and 4)

Sedgewell have had a super week! We had a final Forest School session and loved it. We would like to say thanks to all the parents and grandparents who joined us this year – without your help we wouldn't be able to do it! 😊 We have been working hard planning our Big Write Adventure Stories and look forward to publishing them next week. Our Fractions learning continues where we are using mixed number and have learnt how to partition them. We worked collaboratively in DT this week completing our final structures which required us to use all the skills we have learnt this half term. A highlight of this week was the obstacle course for the Devon Air Ambulance and Angus was the consummate professional 'teacher' who led this and guided us all through the fun activity – well done Angus, you were amazing!



Butter Cove

I have been really impressed with the children’s learning this week, where they have been engaged in their learning and supporting each other, which has been lovely to see. In English, they have finished the unit and are now planning and writing a continuation of The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse. I can’t wait to see their figurative language and direct speech in the style of the book. As mathematicians, both year groups have been working on decimals, and I am so pleased they are far more confident with this tricky concept. In PE, volleyball has been difficult, but it was fantastic seeing them work together in the hall; setting, digging and spiking a balloon (far easier to control) in mixed groups.



Bantham

This week in Bantham, the children have been working incredibly hard across all areas of learning. In English, they have been crafting their own narratives, experimenting with flashbacks and memories to add depth and interest to their writing. In maths, we have explored statistics by looking at a range of different graphs and discussing what they show us. The class has also enjoyed their DT work, where they have been designing and creating frame structures, thinking carefully about strength, shape, and purpose. It’s been a busy and productive week!

Attendance

Thank you for all your efforts to maximise the children’s attendance. As we start the new year, we would really to see an improvement in our attendance, let's work together to achieve this.

The attendance this week can be seen on the table below.

Whole school attendance (Target 98%)	93.9%
Yarmer (Reception/ Year 1)	94%
Leas Foot (Year 1/ Year 2)	95.5%
Sedgewell Cove (Year 3 and 4)	91.1%
Butter Cove (Year 4 and 5)	94.6%
Bantham (Year 6)	95.3%

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

Steeple Cove Nursery	Luke Kearney
Yarmer (Reception/ Year 1)	Esme Palmer
Leas Foot (Year 1 and 2)	Rafael Newman
Sedgewell Cove (Year 3 and 4)	Phoebe Dudding
Butter Cove (Year 4 and 5)	Jesse Harman
Bantham (Year 6)	Freddie Stathers

Home learning

Yarmer (Reception/ Year 1)	R – Maths activity sheet: 5 + letter formation 'w' Y1 – Maths activity sheet: 5 + spellings 'yoo' and 'oo' sounds spelt with the split digraph 'u_e'
Leas Foot (Year 1 and 2)	Y1 – Maths activity sheet: 5 + spellings 'yoo' and 'oo' sounds spelt with the split digraph 'u_e' Y2 – Maths activity sheet and spellings – 'y' replaced with 'ies' words.
Sedgewell Cove (Year 3 and 4)	Spellings, a Fractions activity and TTRS please – approx. 3 x garage games at least 4 times a week.
Butter Cove (Year 4 and 5)	Spellings and Maths task. Please go on Rollama and TTRS for at least 15 minutes 4 times a week
Bantham (Year 6)	Arithmetic paper and SPaG Mat