



Feniton Flyer

BELIEVING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER TO BE THE BEST WE CAN BE



Friday 23rd January 2026

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another successful week at Feniton despite the difficult weather conditions we have been experiencing lately.

Reading

This year, the Department for Education has launched the *2026 Year of Reading*, in response to the growing number of children who no longer view reading for pleasure as something they enjoy. At Feniton, we are proud of our strong reading culture, and we know that the ability to read confidently is closely linked to independence and success later in life.

Please continue to encourage your child to read at home, including their school reading book as well as books of their own choice. We are also very fortunate to have our local library just a short distance away in Ottery St Mary, which offers a wonderful range of books for all ages. Look out later this year for some exciting opportunities for your children in school linked to reading.

Parents' Evening and Reports

Your child's interim report for this term will be shared with you electronically via email, either today or on Monday. We are looking forward to seeing you all at Parents' Evening next week, where you will have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their class teacher. **If you have not already done so, please remember to make an appointment directly with your child's class teacher.**

Science Week

Later this half term, we will be holding our annual Science Week. Teachers are working hard to plan an exciting and memorable experience for the children and are hoping to invite external visitors to support a hands-on and practical approach to learning.

Advance Notice

We have been notified by South West Water that Station Road will be closed during February half term, with set-up work beginning on the two days prior to half term (12th and 13th February). At this stage, we are unsure how this may affect access to the school; however, you may wish to allow extra time for your journey on these days.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Warm regards,
Louisa Mansfield
Head of School

Class	Attendance
R	95
1	96
2	96
3	96
4	97
5	97
6CT	96
6D	94
Whole School	96

Attendance



1st	Exe	1830
2nd	Clyst	1721
3rd	Otter	1328
4th	Axe	1194

Heart Values Awards



Reception Noah and Aaliyah for great progress in reading and writing.

Year 1 Arthur for great focus when learning to play the djembe drum and Toni for always being a great role-model in class.

Year 2 Olivia and George for using jottings to find value of pounds and pence.

Year 3 Annabella for greatly improved participation in class and Eliza for trying really hard to improve handwriting in all subjects.

Year 4 Emily T and Scarlett for creating impressive

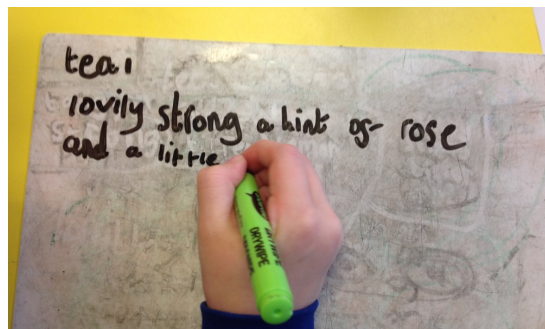
compound sentences independently.

Year 5 Ben for a great contribution during geography and Leo for showing a positive attitude this term.

Year 6CT Harry for excellent concentration and effort in Maths and Chloe for excellent running skills in PE.

6D Willow for fantastic determination and effort in Maths and Finley Rae for an amazing piece of independent writing.

Our week at Feniton



Year 3 enjoyed tea-tasting as a stimulus for their descriptive writing in English.



Year 1 have begun to learn to play the djembe drums in their Music lessons.



Reception practicing throwing in PE.

Year 6 Science investigations.



Dates to note:

January

19th—Year 2 Hula-Hoop Challenge

20th and 22nd—Parents Evenings

February

3rd—Cross Country

Week beg. 9th—Science Week

10th—Year 5 Music and words event

Half Term 16th-20th February

March

16th—20th Bikeability

18th—Reception trip to Powderham Castle

24th—Year 3 Tag Rugby Festival

30th—1st Year 6 Residential

April

2nd—provisional date for Easter Service at St Andrew's Church



We are happy to speak to any person at any time with regard to the safety of children. If you have any concerns please contact:

Designated Safeguarding Lead for Otter Valley

Federation: Amanda Fulford, Executive Headteacher

Safeguarding Governor: Mark Humphries

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Louisa Mansfield, Head of School

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Janice Strawbridge, Teacher

Alternatively you can contact MASH on 0345 155

After the HUGE success of last year, the Plymouth Brick Festival returns on 7th February, and it's gearing up to be the biggest brick-tastic celebration for LEGO fans!

Immerse yourself in a world of creativity and fun as families, collectors, adult builders, and every LEGO-fanatic imaginable come together for a day of brick-filled bliss!

Wondering what's on at a Brick Festival event? Hold onto your bricks, as Plymouth Brick Festival is unleashing a whirlwind of excitement! With new LEGO activities that include lightning-fast speed building competitions to super creative mosaic making rounds, minifigure hunts, a dedicated building area, and so much more, this festival is a LEGO lover's dream come true for all ages to enjoy!

Browse through traders selling loose bricks, brand new or rare & retired LEGO sets, minifigures, accessories and all other LEGO themed items you could imagine – it's the ultimate treasure trove for LEGO enthusiasts and collectors alike!

But that's not all - Plymouth Brick Festival showcases a brand new, unique selection of LEGO displays crafted by master LEGO builders from across the country! Get up close and personal, chat with the LEGO building maestros about their latest projects, snag some insider tips, and leave brimming with inspiration!

Hurry and book your tickets in advance to secure your spot on this brick-filled day, as these events regularly sell out! Early Bird tickets fly off the shelves, so make sure to snap these off before they go! These offer an extra hour of LEGO fun and a FREE LEGO gift upon entry too!

Whether you're a die-hard collector or a casual LEGO fan, the Plymouth Brick Festival at Life Centre is the place to be. Secure your entry online now – adult tickets from £8, child tickets from £6, and there's even an extra value family ticket available too!

Don't miss the chance to be a part of the most epic LEGO celebration! Grab your tickets and get ready for a day filled with building, creativity, and endless fun!

Book now at www.PlymouthBrickFestival.com

Save the date: 7th February

Where: Life Centre

Find out more – www.BrickFestivalEvents.com



WORLD WAR TWO DAY

Saturday 31st January 2026

Military vehicles

Rationing

Code breaking

Object handling

... and more!

Adults: £9.50, child: £3
Museum members: £4.75, child: £2



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Easter at Buckfast Abbey

Help pupils to learn about Easter by taking part in one of our seasonal workshops

Prices: £4.25 half day
£5.25 full day

Threads of Easter (KS2)

Learn about the events of Holy week and why Easter is so important to Christians.
Explore the Abbey Church and grounds.
Create an Easter craft to take away.
Each pupil will make their own key chain of the Easter story to take home.

A Donkey's Tale (KS1)



Learn about the events of Holy week through the eyes of the donkey that carried Jesus into Jerusalem.
Explore the Abbey Church and grounds.
Create an Easter craft to take away.
Each pupil will take home a donkey toy.

A Journey Through Lent (KS1/KS2)



Learn how Christians use Lent to prepare for Easter and why it matters.
Explore Lenten traditions, the Abbey Church and grounds.
Create a Lent/Easter craft to take away.
Each pupil will take home a mini labyrinth.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU THIS EASTER

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