

Believing and Achieving Together To Be The Best We Can Be!

Feniton C of E Primary School | Newsletter – 9th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Tiny Torches!
Last Friday we held a cake sale to raise money for our Year 5 and 6 children to have a tiny torch for the light show which is part of the Young Voices concert in January. We raised £107 so I have been able to order all of the children a tiny torch and lanyard to wear it around their neck on the day. Thank you everyone who provided and bought cakes!

Parents Evening
This week we held our Autumn Parents Evenings. These are extremely benefical for you to hear about the progress your children are making and understand how well they have settled back into school this year.

Fund Saver Work Day
Thank you to everyone who joined our Fund Saver Work Day last Saturday. 66 hours of time were volunteered by staff, governors and families and we saved a lot of money for the school by getting these jobs done ourselves. These included clearing the greenhouse, taking down old PE apparatus in the hall, painting in the Hall, Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 6 classrooms, weeding, mending benches under the trees and demolishing the old playhouse in the back playground, ready for the new one to be built!
Do look out for this event in the future and join us for an hour. The more the merrier! It brings our school community together and we achieve a huge amount.

Weekly Update
This week all of the children in Year 1-6 have taken part in a Taekwondo workshop by Honiton Taekwondo Club. I was so impressed by the level of focus and engagement by all of our children.
Kingfisher Class had a Roman Cooking expereince provided free of charge by Educatering who provide our school dinners. They all behaved beautifually and learnt a lot about how basic Roman food was and enjoyed preparing, cooking and eating some Roman meals. They also dressed in toga's making it an even more authentic expereince!
Harvest Festival was a delight to lead this morning. Thank you to everyone who came along to join our services and well done to all of the children who took part.

Home Certificates
We will have our Home Certificate assembly on Monday so if your child has receievd an award for an extra-curriluclar activity e.g. swimming or dancing they are welcome to bring it along and have it presented in assembly.
Have a wonderful weekend,

Warmest wishes,
LouisaMansfield
Head of School

Year 5 have their fifth week of fine weather at Forest School. Jewellery was made and fun was had creating and performing shows

The Tae Kwon Do workshop was enjoyed, which included counting in Korean and using pads to learn self defense moves.









The children in Robin class have enjoyed completing their weekly challenges. This week the challenges included:

Printing with an apple and then using green paint to go around the outside using the correct letter formation, matching pictures to CVC words and creating patterns using autumnal objects.







On Wednesday, after doing some learning about harvest, the children all helped make their own bread rolls. They mixed the ingredients and kneaded the dough before rolling their dough into their roll shape. They looked amazing, and they enjoyed eating them for part of their afternoon snack!







Attendance

Class	Attendance
Robin	**96**
Swallow	**93**
Puffin	**96**
Woodpecker	**95**
Kingfisher	**96**
Dove	**96**
Owl	**96**
Whole School	**96**

House Points

1st	**Exe**	3075
2nd	**Axe**	2995
3rd	**Clyst**	2216
4th	**Otter**	1104

Kindness Carrot winner this week –

Frankie in Dove Class





Heart Values Awards

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

No certificates this week due to Harvest Festival.

Dates to note:



October

22nd October - Messy Church

November

6th November—Welcome Winter Disco

17th November—Tempest School Photos

28th November—Breakfast with Santa

December

7th December—Reception/Year 1 Nativity 1.30pm

8th December—Year 3/4 Nativity 1.30pm

KS2 Christmas Carol Service in St Andrews Church

9th December— Year 2 Nativity 1.30pm

10th December – Year 6 Trip to We The Curious

11th December—Christmas Break The Rules Day!

14th December—R/1 Christmas Craft Morning

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

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Updated Early Year Food Safety Guidance – please see below the suggestions for reducing the risk of choking in children.

· remove any stones and pips from fruit.

· cut small round foods (like grapes, strawberries and cherry tomatoes) **lengthways and into quarters**

· cut large fruits (like melon) and hard fruit or vegetables (like raw apple and carrot) into slices instead of small chunks

· cut sausages into thin strips rather than chunks (sausages should be avoided due to their high salt content)

· remove bones from meat or fish

· do not give whole nuts to children under five years old

· do not give whole seeds to children under five years old

· cut cheese into strips rather than chunks

· consider wholemeal or toasted bread as white bread can form a doughy ball in the throat, and cut all types of bread into strips for very young children

· do not give children popcorn as a snack

· do not give children hard sweets



Feniton Future Community Action Group (FFCAG)

Community Update Autumn 2026

Community Speed Watch (CSW)

Feniton's Community Speed Watch group is now formally registered. A sincere thank you to the volunteers who have completed their online training. However, we are still waiting for several volunteers to complete theirs before activities can commence.

Additional volunteers would be very welcome, helping to share responsibilities and ensure the scheme can operate effectively.

Community Speed Watch sessions are self-led, with dates and times agreed collectively by volunteers. Sessions can run for as long as volunteers are available and require a minimum of two trained participants.

Community Speed Watch does not issue speeding tickets. Its purpose is to encourage safer driving through education, improve road safety, and gather evidence to challenge Devon County Council Highways' position that Feniton's lanes are suitable for any further increase in traffic levels.

If you feel you would like to get involved please email fenitonfuture@btinternet.com or drop a note into the Suggestion Box in the Spar. The group can be followed on Facebook.





