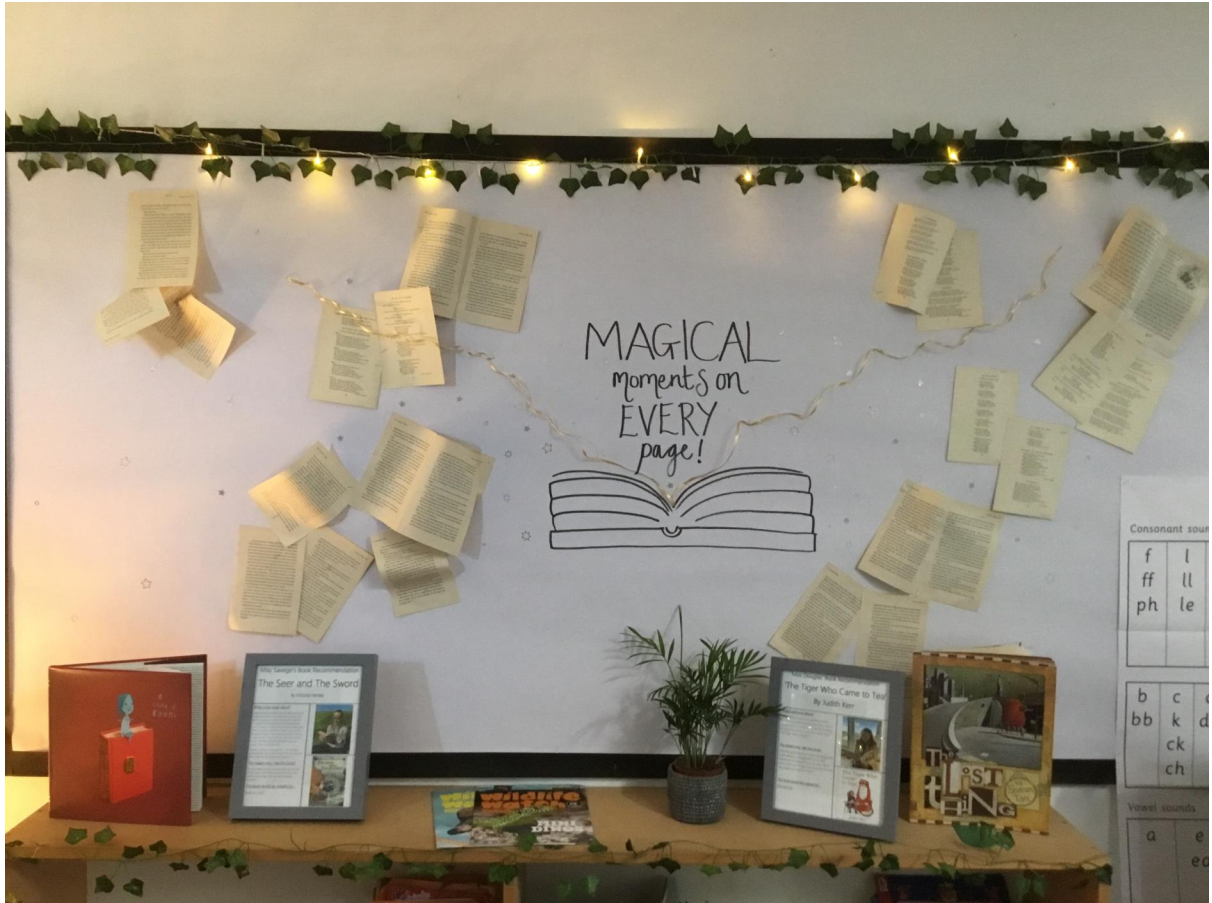




The Salcombe Scoop 11th September

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A Message from Miss Bond



Dear Parents and Carers

It has been wonderful to welcome all of our children and families back to school this week and see everyone after the summer break. It hasn't been the easiest of weeks with a number of illnesses in the community, staff and pupils - but Team Salcombe pulled together and we hope the worst has passed and that next week might be a normal week - whatever that is! The new Reception children have had a blast and have terrorised me a number of times already - with their roaring and potion making and it looks like they're settling in well.

The children have settled well back into their routines and those who have had new classes have enjoyed their new challenges; it's been fantastic to see younger children rise to the challenge of working alongside their older classmates and really brilliant to see the older children behave as such hard-working role models. A very big welcome to our six new pairs of brothers and their families - please look out for new faces in the playground and say hi!

Our new mud kitchen, water area and outside craft area has had a lot of use this week and children have thoroughly enjoyed themselves; we will endeavour to ensure that they wear aprons moving forward to preserve their uniform!

Tuesday saw a visit from Emma from MYTE who has developed an app and programme which supports children to manage their thoughts and emotions. She came in and held an

interactive workshop that taught children a few strategies to support their emotional regulation which we will continue to use in school. The energy stick was very exciting - ask them about it! Further details about the programmes and ap she offers are at the end of the newsletter.

It's also been lovely to welcome some new staff into school this week. Carys Philips is one of our new Reception parents and she is supporting the children, and team, at lunch times! Additionally, Emma Keltz is now officially a teaching assistant within the school for a few hours a week and will be working with children from all classes further supporting their social and emotional skills with our new nurture group - The Harbour. Furthermore, Wendy Laban has increased her hours and is working with us nearly full time! And last but no means least, Paula Viles has been working her socks off this week as our brand new and shiny administrator - she has had a million things thrown at her and triumphed in all of them! We are all feeling very positive and optimistic about the future with our new team!

We have also appointed some very well qualified and experienced members of staff for our nursery team - and once their checks and onboarding has been complete we will introduce them to you all. A huge thank you goes out to Jade Dornam, one of our superstar mealtime assistants who has her childcare qualifications and is helping us out in nursery until our new staff members are through the door. We couldn't have opened nursery this week without her and just love having her around more often!

Breakfast and afterschool club is running and for the moment is being run by a rota of staff members; this will change over the coming weeks as we have a combination of people/providers who will operate the club but we are 100% committed to ensuring that our families have access to this provision again this year. Please do book in to keep it viable.

Mondays - Miss Bond

Tuesdays - Mrs Blake

Wednesdays - Emma from Nursery

Thursdays - Miss Bond

Fridays - Miss Bond

I hope that you can all have a restful weekend and look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Miss Bond











Amazing Achievements!

A massive well done to Miss Dickinson who is now a fully qualified SENDCo; we are very fortunate to have her within school to support the pupils, parents and staff team!

Thank you for the items you have purchased on our behalf. Further items on our wish list if you have any spare at home or you'd like to purchase:

Children's spades: [Spear and Jackson MICROROUND Round Mouth Micro Shovel](#) : [Amazon.co.uk: Garden](#)

Outdoor brooms: [12" Yard Brush Heavy Duty Outdoor Garden Broom Outdoor with Durable Support Bracket with 120 cm Wooden Handle Hard Bristle Broom Sweeping Brush with Natural Stiff Bassine Bristles](#) : [Amazon.co.uk: Garden](#)

Whiteboard paper: [17.3"x157.5" White Board Paper Roll - Dry Erase Board Alternative, No Glue Static Cling White Board Sticker for Wall, Glass, School & Office | Easy-to-Install Portable Dry Erase Paper](#) : [Amazon.co.uk: Stationery & Office Supplies](#)

Breakfast and After School Club

Please get in touch with Paula to secure your place in advance and create a booking through the specific email address which is **wraparoundcare@salcombe-primary.devon.sch.uk** . The booking deadline will be 3:45pm prior to the day required and the email address will not be manned over the weekend meaning if you want a Monday breakfast club session, it must be booked by 3:45pm on the Friday before.

As mentioned above, for the time-being, there is a rota of staff who run the breakfast and after school club with a wide range of exciting activities each week.

Please contact us on 01548 842 842 to arrange sessions between:

- 8:00 until 8:35 (£4.50 per session)
- 15:20 until 16:30 (£5.00 per session)
- 15:20 until 17:30 (£8.00 per session)

Messages from the Office



- Don't forget we're a nut free school!
- Please check out some of the leaflets at the end of the newsletter for support around SEND and home life.

Dates for your Diary



New to EYFS meeting - 14/9 @2:45

SATs Boosters beginning - wb 14/9 3:20-4:10

Weekly celebration assemblies - 25/9+

MTC meeting for Y4 parents - 21/9 @ 3:30

PTFA AGM - 21/9 TBC

SATs meeting - 23/9 @3:30

Phonics meeting - 24/9 @ 3:30

PTFA Spooky Disco - provisional date

Learning together with parents/carers - 12/10 @2:30

Harvest Assembly Holy Trinity - 16/10 @2:30 TBC



18th, 19th & 20th September 2026



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- + 2026 World Dad Dancing Championship

Dads/ male carers with children of all ages welcome

DadFest 2026 tickets must be bought in advance

Dad + 1 child (all ages): £109

Dad + 2 children (all ages): £119

Dad + 3 children (all ages): £129



Ticket includes camping & all activities - nothing more to pay
Get food tickets too: £40 (dad): £30 (children)

To book search 'ticket tailor DadFest Devon'

or email: info@thedadsnetwork.org



Let's Talk, Read & Play

Helping your child's speech and language development

When your child has their 2-2.5 year developmental review with a member of your Health Visiting team, you'll chat about how they're doing with talking, listening, and understanding. If your child could benefit from extra support, you'll be offered the LTRP programme - a fun and helpful way to build their communication skills alongside the 'Super Communicator' booklet.



How can you join in?

If your child is in a nursery or preschool, they will be doing fun activities with your child to help their speech and language grow. Staff will share tips from the Super Communicator booklet with you to support your child at home.



Your Health visiting team can offer you some one-to-one sessions

Support from your Family Hub



If you would like to feel more confident supporting your child's speech and language development or perhaps your child doesn't attend a setting, you can join a programme through your local Family Hub or your Public Health Nurse.

You can choose what works best for you:

Group sessions at the Family Hub
- great for meeting other parents!

One-to-one sessions - offered by
the Family Hub if you prefer
something more personal.



Scan the QR code and fill in your details and your Family Hub will contact you to find out more about Let's Talk, Read and Play.





Transform everyday parenting moments into playful learning experiences

Get playful activity ideas, parenting tips, and everyday inspiration to support your child's early development — all designed by experts and trusted by our diverse community.

FREE

For all parents and caregivers with children aged from birth to 5 years old in Devon.



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Turn over for more information!



Your FAMILY HUB

Support for you. For your family.

1



ADVICE & GUIDANCE LINE

0800 5385458

Mon–Fri
10am–4pm

Get friendly advice and guidance from our Family Hub team.

2



SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK



Scan to tell us about your experience with Family Hub services.

3



REQUEST SUPPORT OR REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

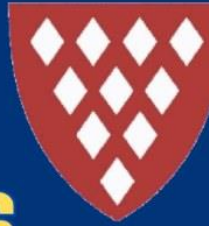


Scan to complete a Support Request Form. A member of the Family Hub team will contact you and you can register your interest for any Family Hub services.



★ Here for you. Here for your family. ♥

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Year 6 Open Mornings

2026

Thursday 24th September

Friday 9th October

9.30am - 11.00am

Parents , Carers and children welcome

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THE FIDGET PROJECT'S

FIDGET FEST

OCTOBER 2026

A NEW KIND OF FESTIVAL IS COMING TO SOUTH DEVON

Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA) Understanding PDA and practical strategies to support Monday 14th September 2026 7-9pm Or Friday 13th November 2026 9.30 - 11.30am Online - via Zoom £44 plus VAT per person	Understanding Schemas Exploring patterns of play, understanding why children use schemas and how to support their play and learning Wednesday 16th September 2026 Online – via Zoom £36 plus VAT per person
ADHD Understanding ADHD in young children and practical ideas to support them Tuesday 29th September 2026 10-11.30am Or Thursday 19th November 2026 7 - 8.30pm Online via Zoom £36 plus VAT per person	Gestalt Language Processing How to support early language skills for young children including Gestalt learners Wednesday 30th September 2026 10 - 11.30am Online via Zoom £36 plus VAT per person
Introduction to supporting children with Down Syndrome Understanding the needs of children with Down Syndrome and strategies to support them Friday 2nd October 2026 9:30am - 12pm Online via Zoom £51 plus VAT per person	Introduction to Signalong Signalong is a sign supported communication system for children with additional needs, supporting the development of speaking and understanding. This course will introduce you to the Signalong and you will learn some everyday signs that you can use in your home or school/setting. This course is designed for beginners and those who may wish to attend the Signalong Foundation Course later in the Autumn term.

Monday 5th October 2026 9:30-11:30am Online via Zoom £44 plus VAT per person

Contact Us

We always want to hear from you. If you'd like to get in touch to make an appointment or share something important, a member of the team will always make time to speak with you. Please get in touch or come and visit; we look forward to welcoming you.

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