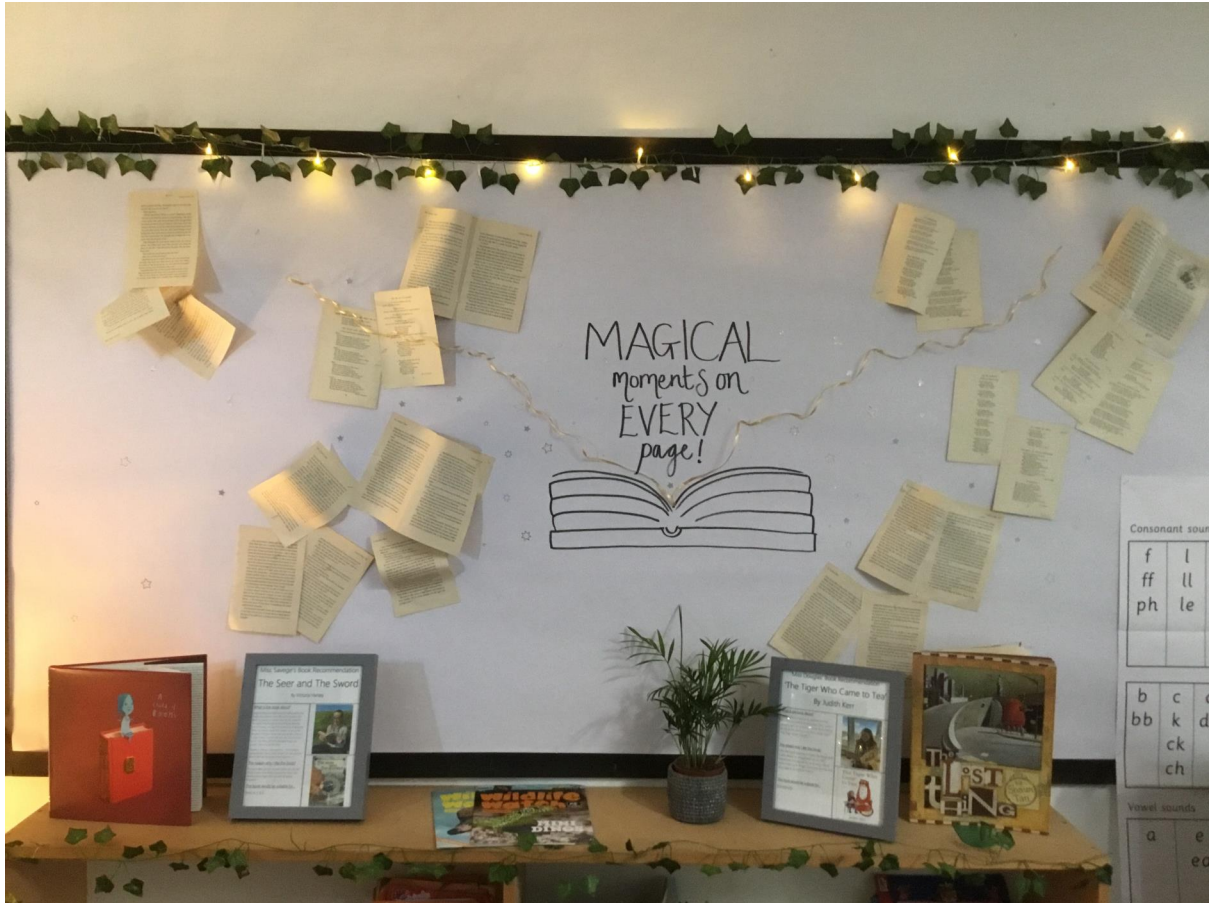




The Salcombe Scoop 18th September

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A Message from Miss Bond



Dear Parents and Carers

Autumn feels like it is definitely upon us, but that doesn't seem to have dampened the spirits. We try to make the most of the outdoors as much as possible at school and believe that there's no such thing as bad weather, just the wrong clothes. We have a good selection of coats to borrow at school, but it is getting to that kind of unpredictable weather where you might get caught out and need to wrap up so come prepared if you can! The children have continued to have fun in the mud kitchen and with the water walls; not to mention the chalks on the playground and the outdoor creative station. If you have any interesting bits of junk or craft, please come and off load it in our outdoor crafting area - we are doing well at emptying the cupboards from years gone by!

It's been lovely to welcome Mrs Hedgehog back into school this week to start the weekly Forest School sessions; we are committed to saving time in our very cramped timetable to enable this luxury to happen; sadly it is an extra-curricular activity that we are unable to fund and so the provision relies on your donations. Each term there will be a payment set up for you in Arbor so please keep an eye out for this. Each class has a one hour weekly slot for five weeks of the term - but Year 6 will save their sessions up for a summer time post-SATs project. We are really grateful that your contributions support further outdoor learning across the week.

Aside from Reading, Writing and Maths which we have launched full steam into, our wider curriculum is becoming to embed well and the wider opportunities have provided a source of enjoyment over the last couple of weeks. Lobsters have begun their project of making their moving toys and started creating their own cams! The highlight of my week, however, has been teaching dance today where we have been inspired by action movies and recreating some very cool 'chase scenes'! They were introduced to two contrasting, yet entertaining, videos of parkour and Charlie Chaplin and then created some fantastic movements to some tension building, chase music! It was great fun and the blurry pictures say it all - if they come back saying they were jumping over furniture - it's true!

On Saturday, we are holding a painting party at school to try and jazz up a few areas. If you are free of commitments, do come and lend a hand and bring the kids as well - there can be painting for all ages!

After school and breakfast club is still running and available; I am just waiting for some further confirmation on some exciting new opportunities and I will let you know. Myself and other team members are holding the fort at the moment and are generally found outside in the mud and playground having fun - tonight it was the sand pit and swings that had us captured!

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

Miss Bond

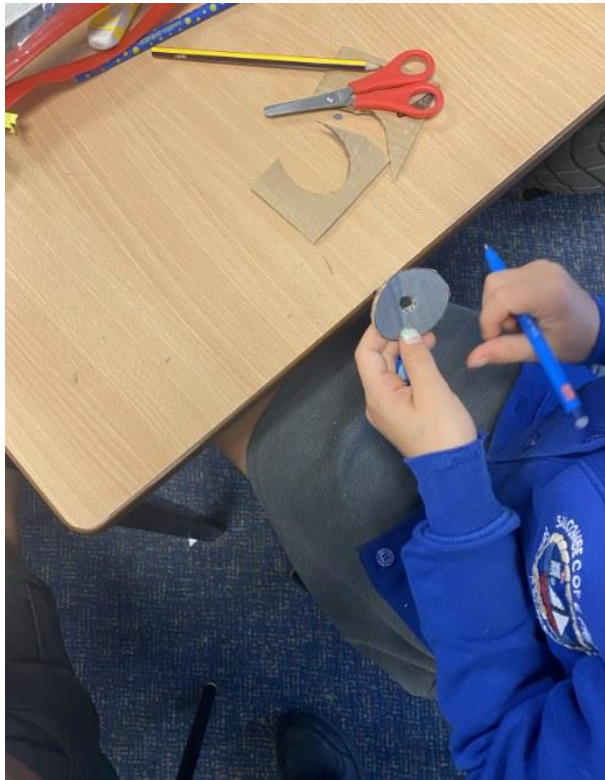


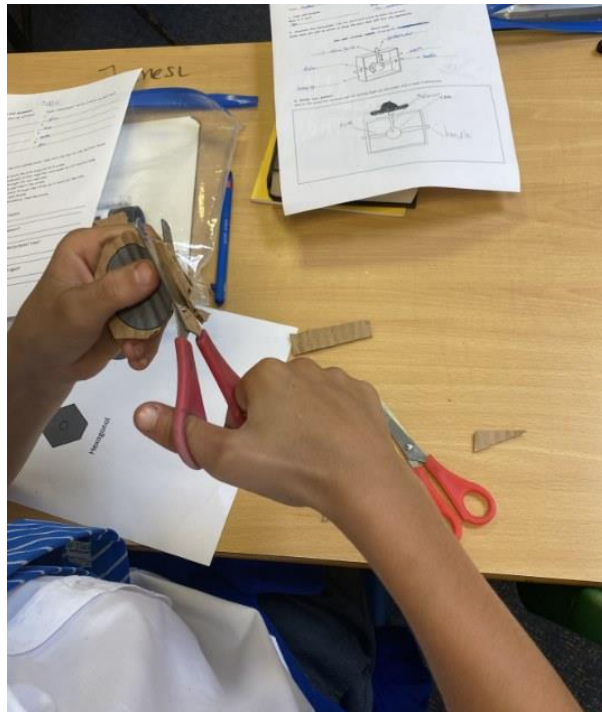














Amazing Achievements!

A huge congratulations to our new Junior Leadership Team. So far, we have announced our new set of librarians who include some avid readers who no doubt will be able to recommend some fantastic books - as well as keep the library in order! Furthermore, we have presented our peer leaders with their badges; their job will be to instigate and support play outside with activities, games, clubs and using the equipment and spaces well. A big

well done to them all! If you didn't get chosen this time, you will have another opportunity later in the year.

Watch this space next week for our big unveiling of Head Boy and Head Girl and the much anticipated prefect roles!



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



Weekly celebration assemblies - 25/9+

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

PTFA AGM - 2/10 3:30 in the school hall

SATs meeting - 23/9 @3:30

Phonics meeting - 24/9 @ 3:30

PTFA Spooky Disco - TBC

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

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



18th, 19th & 20th September 2026



DadFest Devon™

Location: Beryl's Campsite, Beeson, Kingsbridge,
South Devon. TQ7 2HW

Awarded 'Best Small Event in the UK' in 2015 & 2025
The only UK festival just for dads & their children.

- campfire stories • water-rockets • bat walk
- Forest School • board games • rifle range
- wrestling show • arts & craft • sport skills
- kids disco • music workshops • archery
- slip n slide • beach trip • food & drink • & more...
- + 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.



Scan to download the EasyPeasy app or visit easypeasyapp.com/devon

Turn over for more information!



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.

When big feelings take over, children need tools they can use in the moment.

Anxiety, overwhelm, anger and low confidence can show up anywhere... at school, at home, before a big event, or when something feels hard.

M.Y.T.E. helps children and teens aged 4-18 manage their thoughts and emotions with simple, practical self-regulation tools.

4 tools. In-the-moment support. Skills for life.

BREATHE Calm breathing that settles the body in the moment.	FEEL Gentle practices that build emotional awareness and connection.	THINK Easy techniques that reframe negative thoughts and calm the mind.	MOVE Simple movements to build strength, boost mood, and reduce stress.
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Scan to give your child a tool for the moment, and skills for the future.

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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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