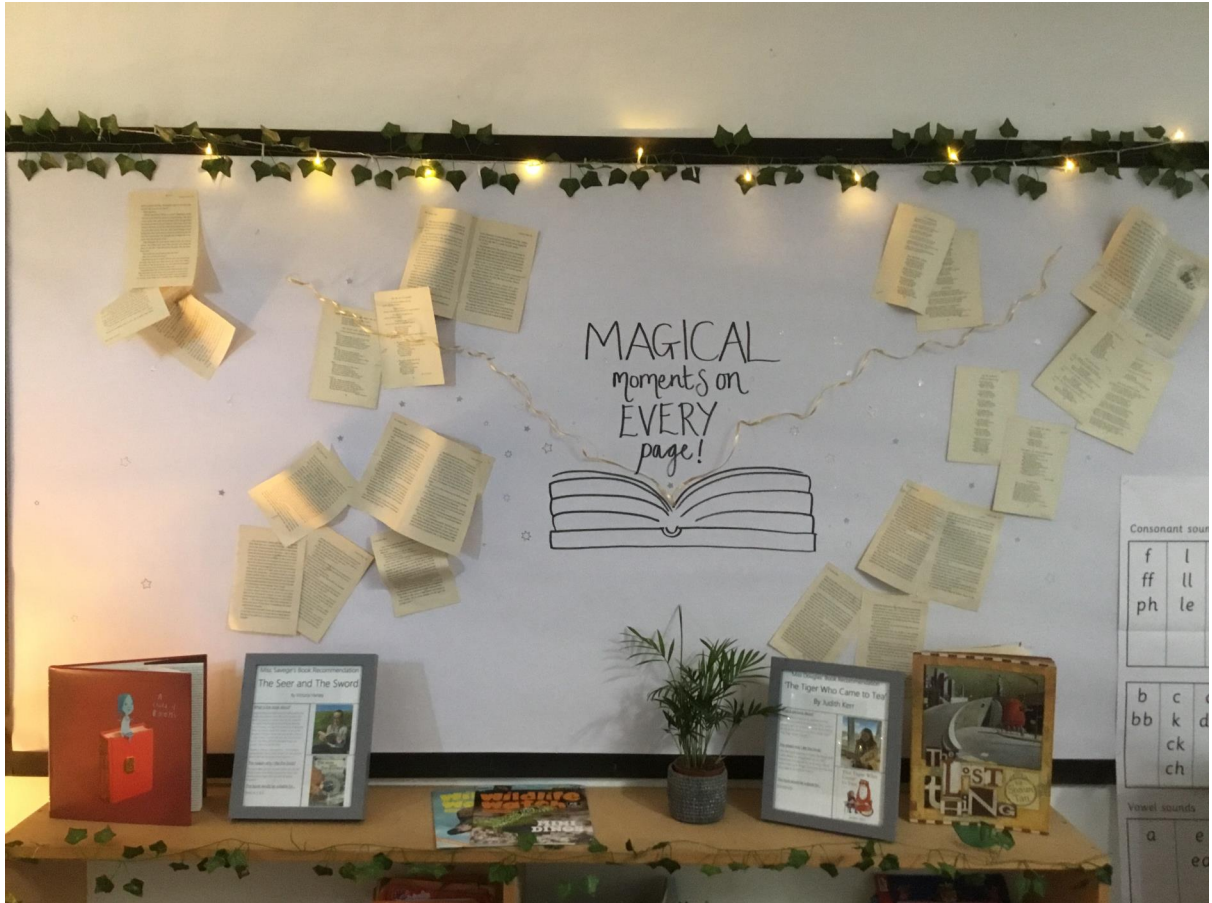




The Salcombe Scoop 17th October

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1 - A message from Miss Bond

Dear Parents and Carers

It seems to have been a very musical week in school this week as we have welcomed Mrs Lowcock from the Kingsbridge Music Hub. She held her first choir session which we hope will go from strength to strength and we look forward to a special performance from the choir during the run up to Christmas and our performance at the Christmas Light Switch On in town on **December 1st at 6pm.**

As well as this, I applied and was successful, for a grant to support us with our Whole Class Ensemble Teaching and am pleased to say that the first ukulele session with Mrs Lowcock for Year 4+5 was a hit! Perhaps they can play a tune for us at the light switch on too?! We are fortunate to be able to provide 20 weeks of ukulele teaching for the children which will take us up to Dart Music Festival time where we hope to perform with our choir and possibly our ukuleles too - watch this space!

Of course, we finished the week with our Harvest Festival celebrations; thank you so much for all the generous donations of food for the community. Personally, I was humming Harvest Tango until I went to bed last night and that is definitely the new Harvest Hit! The ladies and gentlemen at the church were very complimentary about the children and performance and were comparing the celebration to this time last year commenting on how well behaved and confident the children were - and I do not disagree. I also really enjoyed handing out the certificates at the church as it felt very special - although I enjoyed it so much I forgot to take any photos of them - my apologies!

A huge thank you to you all for your contributions and pennies at the cake sale. The PTFA have raised £175.50 from yesterday! That will really support us with our continuous improvements and resourcing of the school.

Further good news is I've managed to wrangle some money out of the trust for three brand new interactive whiteboards for the classrooms so we can move ever closer into the 21st century. This does not come from our measly school budget - which is even better and will support teachers and pupils no end. They should be fitted in a couple of weeks after half term!

Finally, it was lovely to welcome Mrs Laura Trayte into school this week who will be teaching Mondays and Tuesdays in Starfish Class after half term - we can't wait to have her on board. If you haven't read the email about staffing changes, please do have a look.

Enjoy the sunshine - 4 more get ups to go!

Lottie Bond

Head of School



2 - Mrs Laura Trayte







Amazing Achievements!

Our certificate winners this week are **Hallie, Leo, Maddie and Tabby!** Big congratulations to you for your efforts in school this week.

Margot won the KS1 Maths certificate this week for his great number line work whilst **Alana, Mia and Vanessa** were the TTRS winners!

A huge well done to **Joseph** for achieving his pen licence and showing great perseverance!

Thank you for the items you have purchased on our behalf; it's really touching to have parcels arrive and sort out some of our problems! Further items on our wish list if you have any spare at home or you'd like to purchase:

[OSTBIT plate holder, bamboo - IKEA UK](#) x 5

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.

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. We've had great fun outside this week, painting pumpkins and leaf printing; digging and creating waterways; playing in Nursery's Forest School and re-filling the water butt a lot! Do book in for a slot!

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)



 **SALCOMBE**
AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

FOOTBALL	NETBALL
WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY



BOOK NOW



STARTING AFTER OCTOBER HALF TERM

FOREST SCHOOL CLUB



Every Thursday for 5 weeks
3.20pm - 5pm
£11 per session. £55 for the 5 sessions.

Activities include Kelly kettle, hot drinks,
crumpets and winter cooking.
Making Christmas wooden reindeer,
wooden Christmas decorations, Earth candles

Interested?
Mrs Abi Harding 07890901982

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.
- **Please do not send your child into school with smart watches, squishies or fidget toys! None of these items are safe or necessary to have in school and cause an awful amount of distraction and problems. Smart watches and smart phones are also not allowed at KCC so it is good to bear that in mind too and save yourself spending money on things that will not be allowed there also. Some children benefit from having some blu tac under the desk to fiddle with whilst listening to the teacher, but this will be co-ordinated by the SENDCo.**

Dates for your Diary



23/10 Non-Pupil Day

27-31/10 HALF TERM

6/11 TBC Tempest photos – individual photos

Wb 9/11 - Parent's Evenings

13/11 Children in Need

Wb 16/11 Anti-bullying week

16/11 - Flu jabs

1/12 - Carols at Christmas Light Switch On in town

11/12 2pm Prawn Class Nativity

TBC - Seahorses Nativity

16/12 - Christmas crafts with parents/carers

16/12 - Christmas Lunch

16/12 - Christmas Jumper Day

18/12 2.30pm - End of term service Holy Trinity

21/12-5/1 - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Open Days

Book your visits on 01548 842 842



For Children Starting School in
September 2027

Come aboard and have a look around our wonderful school!

We are proud of our small, welcoming site nestled at the top of Salcombe. We have incredible grounds with big classrooms, a large field, our own pirate ship, two Forest Schools and two playgrounds with mud kitchens, dig pits and water play – not to mention the best view in the world and a swimming pool

next door!



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

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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

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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 Singalong Foundation Course later in the Autumn term.

	Monday 5th October 2026 9:30-11:30am Online via Zoom £44 plus VAT per person
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Thursday 29th October 2026
9-12pm and 1-4pm (stay for lunch optional)

Book your places:
• QR code below
• ONLY 20 SPACES

Skill focus: sketchbook
making and mixed media



BOAT BUILDING in Salcombe



£25pp

A brand new collaboration offering creative morning/afternoon holiday sessions, with the Art Box teachers, at Cliff House. For children 6yo+ This October half term, you will be making your own sketchbook and studying boat designers' drawings as well as learning about our boat building heritage and handling historic tools, to create your own mixed media piece which will be ready to frame and hang.



There is an option to stay all day and concessionary tickets available.

Enquiries and bookings through 'Mercer ArtBox'



Thursday 28th October 2026
9-12pm and 1-4pm (stay for lunch optional)

Book your places:
• QR code below
• ONLY 12 SPACES

Skill focus: design and
build in card and clay



Candles and Lanterns



£25pp

This half term we are offering two half day sessions, with a lunch option. We will be designing and making candle stick and lanterns in card and use those templates to handbuild in clay.

Your pieces will stay in the studio to dry and fire and then Caroline will glaze for you. Your pieces will be ready for collection within three weeks, ready for the winter evenings or a Christmas present!

Enquiries and bookings through 'Mercer ArtBox' website.





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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